



The People of Washington Avenue Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
gather for the

Worship of God

June 26, 2022, 9:30am: The Third Sunday after Pentecost

Chiming the Hour

The Atwood Carillon

Greeting

The Spirit of God is with you!
And also with you!

Rev. Nathan A. Russell

Call to Worship

Lift up your hearts...
We lift them to the Lord!

Rev. Russell

Prelude

Out of the Depths

Mr. Evan Collins

Meditation for Preparation

"In the name of fair-mindedness and egalitarianism, the gospel's claim of a radical reordering, a redistribution, an exercise in almost Gilbertian topsy-turveydom, is an offense, a scandal, and hardly good news."

—Peter Gomes, *The Scandalous Gospel of Jesus*

Hymn of Praise

*Living Stones*¹

NETTLETON

Liv - ing stones, we raise a tem - ple where the Spir - it comes to dwell in each
 Made of mar - ble, brick, or tim - ber, and the la - bor of our hands, may our
 Formed in faith, we join to - geth - er at the ta - ble of our Lord. When we
 act of lov - ing serv - ice, in the gos - pel truth we tell. In the
 build - ings house a peo - ple who em - bod - y God's com - mands: in a
 share in cel - e - bra - tion, we de - part with strength re - stored: to cre -
 plac - es where we wor - ship, plain or lav - ish, large or small, as the
 world where a home - less mil - lions live a - ban - doned on the street, may we
 ate a realm of jus - tice and the bless - ings of sha - lom, where each
 church of God in - car - nate, Christ is cor - ner - stone of all.
 of fer warmth and shel - ter, and the bread of life to eat.
 heart be - comes an al - tar, and the world it - self, God's home.

Invocation

Mr. Marty Rowe

Hymn of Prayer (Insert) *Can Steel and Stone and Swirling Spire*²

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Prayers of the People

God of blessing...
Help us seek the peace of your shalom.

Can Steel and Stone and Swirling Spire



Can steel and stone and swirl - ing spire though plant - ed in some dis - tant place be -
Can they who nev - er see its form find sol - ace in such sa - cred space? Can
God's tem - ple comes a - live in us in ev - ery na - tion, tribe, and home; it



come God's bless - ing to all na - tions, the lost, the la - beled, and dis - placed?
min - is - tries of liv - ing wa - ter flow far be - yond its rest - ing place?
lives and breathes in ev - ery soul that seeks the peace of God's sha - lom.

The Lord's Prayer 310	<i>The Lord's Prayer</i>	HAAS
Invitation to Stewardship		Rev. Russell
Our regular tithes and offerings support the budgeted ministries of WACC.		
Offertory	<i>We Cannot Own the Sunlit Sky</i>	Mr. Collins
Doxology 50	<i>Doxology</i>	LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!		
The Reading	1 Peter 2:4-10	Rev. Russell
For the Word of God in its promise and covenant...		
Thanks be to God.		
Sermon	<i>Tripping on the Gospel</i>	Rev. Russell
Discipline of Silence	<p>"[The cross] offers no recipe for success. But it brings a confrontation with the truth. It is not positive and constructive, but is in the first instance critical and destructive... The 'religion of the cross'... does not elevate and edify in the usual sense, but scandalizes; and most of all it scandalizes [one's] 'co-religionists' in [one's] own circle. But by this scandal, it brings liberation into a world which is not free."</p> <p style="text-align: right;">—Jürgen Moltmann, <i>The Crucified God</i></p>	
Hymn of Communion 419	<i>All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly</i>	HOLY MANNA
Invitation to Commune		Rev. Russell
Prayer at the Table		Ms. Janet Stevens-Brown
Words of Institution		Rev. Russell
Invitation to Discipleship		Rev. Russell
Hymn of Discipleship 273	<i>Built on the Rock</i>	KIRKEN DEN ER ET

Benediction and Charge

Rev. Russell

Postlude

Can Steel and Stone and Swirling Spire
And all the people said...
AMEN!

Mr. Collins

We Go to Love and Serve from Our Doorsteps to the Ends of the Earth

Today's artwork, *The Cornerstone* (2011), is an abstract expression—mixed media on canvas—by Richard Turvey, who borrowed an idea from the New Testament, to create this artwork.

¹Words by Mary Louise Bringle, 2006

²Words by Danny A. Belrose, 2013

EVENTS THIS WEEK

- Today, 6/26: 9:30am - Energetic, liturgical worship in the sanctuary, followed by a congregational meeting and Sundae Social
3pm - Otter Camp at Camp Christian begins (ends 7/2)
6pm - YouTube premiere of morning worship
- Mon., 6/27: 9am - Adult Conference at Northwest Christian Church begins (ends 7/1)
11am - CCH Scramble for Kids at Shaker Heights Country Club
7pm - YouTube premiere of *Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart*
- Tue., 6/28: 7:45am - Devotional gathering using *The Upper Room* (on Zoom)*
4pm - Church Life & Growth Committee meeting (hybrid)
6:30pm - Christian Education Committee meeting (hybrid)
- Wed., 6/29: 7pm - YouTube premiere of theAlternative
- Thu., 6/30: 10am - Social Hour (on Zoom)

*First-timers may register at waccelyria.org for these online, weekly devotional gatherings.

**Contact the church office for the link to this bi-weekly, online chat.



We are thrilled that you are worshipping God with us in-person and/or online. Scan this QR code with a smartphone to register your attendance, submit a prayer request, and make an online contribution.

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