



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

Worship of God

July 10, 2022, 9:30am: The Fifth 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

Grace Moves in Rhythms

Mr. Evan Collins

Meditation for Preparation

"Hope is essential to any political struggle for radical change when the overall social climate promotes disillusionment and despair."

–bell hooks, *Talking about a Revolution*

Hymn of Praise 538

Hope of the World

VICAR

Invocation

Ms. Janiah Jones

Hymn of Prayer 265

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

MORECAMBE

Prayers of the People

Spirit of God...
Descent upon our hearts.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. AMEN.

Congregational Response 583

Lead Me, Guide Me

LEAD ME GUIDE ME

Invitation to Stewardship

Our regular tithes and offerings support the budgeted ministries of WACC.

Rev. Russell

Offertory

The Summons

Mr. Collins

Doxology

*Doxology*¹

OURS THE JOURNEY

Take, O God, the gifts we offer, use them for your reign to bring justice that will flow like fountains, life from your abundant spring. God, you are our holy parent, and we sing our thanks to you. Let us see your future dawning, your world made anew.

The Reading

Romans 5:1-5

Rev. Russell

For the Word of God in its promise and covenant...

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Hope of God's Glory

Rev. Russell

Discipline of Silence

"Hope is not about proving anything. It's about choosing to believe this one thing, that love is bigger than any grim, bleak [stuff] anyone can throw at us."

–Anne Lamott, *Plan B: Further Thoughts on Faith*

Hymn of Communion 429

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

FINEST WHEAT

Invitation to Commune

Rev. Russell

Prayer at the Table

Mr. Gerald Western

Words of Institution

Rev. Russell

Invitation to Discipleship

Rev. Russell

Hymn of Discipleship 534

When Our Confidence Is Shaken

LAUDA ANIMA

Benediction and Charge

Rev. Russell

Postlude

Hope of the World
And all the people said...

Mr. Collins

AMEN!

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

Today's artwork is *The Power of Hope* (2016) Kelly Simpson Hagen. "This painting is going to be the last in my series of 3 ladies. I love painting different cultures and colors all together, celebrating life and hope that one day, people will not see skin color as a reason to hate. The colors below symbolize all of the cultures on our planet."

Flowers in the chancel are in memory of Gladys & Harold Clark on the occasion of their wedding anniversary (7/16/1921), provided in perpetuity by their son, Edward Clark.

¹Words by Nathan A. Russell, 2021

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today, 7/10:	11am	- Sundae Social
	6pm	- YouTube premiere of morning worship
Mon., 7/11:	5pm	- Bible, Burger & Beer at the Foundry
	7pm	- YouTube premiere of <i>Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart</i>
Tue., 7/12:	7:45am	- Devotional gathering using <i>The Upper Room</i> (on Zoom)*
Wed., 7/13:	10am-2pm	- Labyrinth available (2 nd & 4 th Wednesdays/month)
	7pm	- YouTube premiere of theAlternative
Thu., 7/14:	10am	- Online Social Hour**

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

**Contact the church office for the link to this online group chat.



We are thrilled that you are worshiping 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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