

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

## Worship of God

August 7, 2022, 9:30am: The Ninth 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

Now Sing to our God

Mr. Evan Collins

#### Meditation for Preparation

"I don't have many certainties about God. I do have many hopes. Chief among them is that it's true what they say: that God is love, is made of love, and looks at the faces of you and me and my gramma and, without hesitation or demand, delights."

-Cole Arthur Riley, This Here Flesh

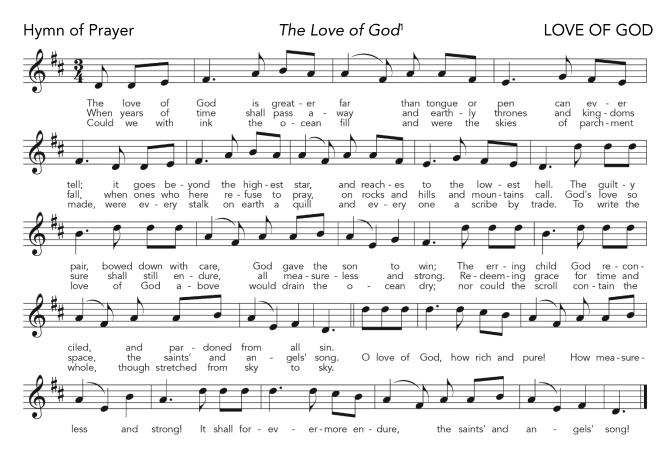
Hymn of Praise 8

All Praise to God for Song God Gives

SACRED SONG

Invocation

Ms. Debbie Walker



Prayers of the People

God of Love...

Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer 310

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Invitation to Stewardship

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

Offertory

We Call Ourselves Disciples

Mr. Collins

Rev. Russell

Doxology 528

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Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, Give thanks because God's given Jesus Christ, God's son. And now let the weak say "I am strong;" let the poor say, "I am rich," Because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

The Reading

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

Rev. Russell

Thanks be to God.

Romans 8:31-39

Sermon

More than Victorious

Rev. Russell

Discipline of Silence

"Sometimes standing against evil is more important than defeating it. The greatest heroes stand because it is right to do so, not because they believe they will walk away with their lives. Such selfless courage is a victory in itself."

-N. D. Wilson, Dandelion Fire

Hymn of Communion 491

As Grain on Scattered Hillsides

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Invitation to Commune

Rev. Russell

Mr. Bob Maxwell

Prayer at the Table

Rev. Russell

Words of Institution

Rev. Russell

Invitation to Discipleship

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Hymn of Discipleship 357 We Call Ourselves Disciples

Postlude

### How Firm a Foundation 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 is God's Pure Love (2012) by Deborah Lynn Brown <sup>1</sup>Words by Frederick M. Lehman; v. 3 by Meir Ben Isaac Nehoral

#### **EVENTS THIS WEEK**

Today, 8/7: 11am - Two or More scripture discussion group

6pm - YouTube premiere of morning worship

Mon., 8/8: 5-7pm - Bible, Burger & Beer at the Foundry

- YouTube premiere of Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart

7:45am - Devotional gathering using The Upper Room (on Zoom)\* Tue., 8/9:

- YouTube premiere of theAlternative Wed., 8/10: 7pm

Thu., 8/11: 10am - Social Hour (on Zoom)\*\*

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

\*\*Contact the church office for the link to this bi-weekly 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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