



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

Worship of God

November 6, 2022, 9:30am: All Saints Sunday

Chiming the Hour

The Atwood Carillon

Greeting

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

Rev. Nathan A. Russell

Moment for Stewardship Ms. Kimberly Wilhelm

Call to Worship Lift up your hearts... Rev. Russell
We lift them to the Lord!

Prelude *The Lord Is My Song* WACC Music Ensemble

Meditation for Preparation

"I have walked that long road to freedom. I have tried not to falter; I have made missteps along the way. But I have discovered the secret that after climbing a great hill, one only finds that there are many more hills to climb. I have taken a moment here to rest, to steal a view of the glorious vista that surrounds me, to look back on the distance I have come. But I can only rest for a moment, for with freedom come responsibilities, and I dare not linger, for my long walk is not ended."

–Nelson Mandela

Hymn of Praise 637 *For All the Saints* SINE NOMINE

Invocation Rev. Lisa Reshad

Remembering the Saints Rev. Russell

Hymn of the Saints 569 *Jesus, Remember Me* REMEMBER ME

Hymn of Prayer *God of Grace and God of Laughter*¹ HOLY MANNA

Prayers of the People God of Grace and Laughter...
Heal our wounds with tuneful balm.

The Lord's Prayer 307 *The Lord's Prayer* MALOTTE

Our Father, which 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.

Invitation to Stewardship Ms. Debby Willets
Our regular tithes and offerings support the budgeted ministries of WACC.

God of Grace and God of Laughter



God of grace and God of laugh - ter, sing - ing worlds from naught to be,
When our lives are torn by sad - ness, heal our wounds with tune - ful balm;
Turn our sigh - ing in - to sing - ing, mu - sic born of hope re - stored;



sun and stars and all there - af - ter joined in cos - mic har - mo - ny;
when all seems dis - cord - ant mad - ness, help us find a meas - ured calm.
set our souls and voic - es ring - ing, tune our hearts in true ac - cord:



give us songs of joy and won - der, mu - sic mak - ing hearts re - joice;
Stead - y us with mu - sic's an - chor when the storms of life in - crease;
till we form a might - y cho - rus join - ing an - gel choirs a - bove,



let our prais - es swell like thund - er, ech - o - ing our Mak - er's voice.
in the midst of hurt and ran - cor, make us in - stru - ments of peace.
with all those who went be - fore us, in e - ter - nal hymns of love.

Coming Together for Wine and Bread



Com - ing to - geth - er for wine and for bread, tast - ing the sto - ry and hear - ing it read,
Who will be hun - gry if, hear - ing the call, we of - fer seats at our ban - quet to all?
Here at this ta - ble, we're wel - comed by name; all are in - vi - ted, each seat is the same.
Bless - ing this ta - ble the Spir - it is here grant - ing us vi - sion, so sud - den - ly clear:



know - ing our hun - ger and shar - ing the meal o - pens our eyes to see Je - sus is real.
Who is for - got - ten? Who will we ig - nore? Who is the out - cast that knocks at our door?
Serv - ing, re - ceiv - ing, and eat - ing the feast hum - bles the haugh - ty and hon - ors the least.
shar - ing and serv - ing, the bod - y is fed, nour - ished by Je - sus, the Wine and the Bread.

Offertory		WACC Music Ensemble
	<i>Nada Te Turbe (Nothing Can Trouble)</i>	
Doxology	<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	Matthew 27:50-56	Rev. Russell
	For the Word of God in its promise and covenant... Thanks be to God.	
Sermon	<i>From a Distance</i>	Rev. Russell
Discipline of Silence	"From a distance, there is harmony and it echoes through the land / and it's the hope of hopes / It's the love of loves it's the heart of every [one]." –Julie Gold, <i>From a Distance</i>	
Hymn of Communion	<i>Coming Together for Wine and Bread²</i>	BANQUET
Invitation to Commune		Rev. Russell
Prayer at the Table		Ms. Willets
Words of Institution		Rev. Russell
Invitation to Discipleship		Rev. Russell
Hymn of Discipleship 648		GREENCASTLE
	<i>Some There Are Who by Their Living</i>	
Benediction and Charge		Rev. Russell
Postlude	<i>Our Darkness</i>	WACC Music Ensemble
	And all the people said... AMEN!	
We Go to Love and Serve from Our Doorsteps to the Ends of the Earth		

Today's artwork is *Calla Lilies* (1924), Georgia O'Keefe. The artist first depicted the waxy, architectural bloom known as the Calla Lily in 1923, ultimately creating a series of eight compositions, in both oil and pastel, featuring one or two blooms, throughout that year. *Calla Lilies*, one of two paintings of the subject in 1924 and the first to depict three blooms in a single composition is one of the most sophisticated and modern of her explorations of the subject.

¹Lyrics by Carl P. Daw, Jr., 1989

²Lyrics by Adam M.L. Tice, 2009

This morning's music ensemble is comprised of Maire Pasquinelli, Soprano; Kymberli Cleal, Alto; Richard Morgan, Tenor; Adam Whanger, Baritone; Linda Bohnert, Flute; Katherine Malquest, Trumpet; Kathy Wainwright, Cello; Alexis Facaros, Violin; and, Evan Collins, Keyboard.

Flowers in the chancel are in memory of Arlene Knepper's November 5 birthday from her loving family.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

- Today, 11/6: 11am - Estate Giving Program (Fellowship Hall)
6pm - YouTube premiere of morning worship
- Mon., 11/7: 7pm - YouTube premiere of Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart
3pm - Worship Committee meeting (hybrid)
- Tue., 11/8: 6:30am - WACC serves as Election Day polling place (ends 7:30pm)
7:45am - Devotional gathering using *The Upper Room* (on Zoom)*
5:30pm - Elders' meeting (hybrid; dining room)
7pm - Board meeting (hybrid; Fellowship Hall)
- Wed., 11/9: 7pm - YouTube premiere of theAlternative

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



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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