

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

Worship of God

December 4, 2022, 9:30am: The Second Sunday of Advent

Chiming the Hour The Atwood Carillon

Greeting The Spirit of God is with you! Rev. Nathan A. Russell

And also with you!

Call to Worship Lift up your hearts... Rev. Russell

We lift them to the Lord!

Meditation for Preparation

"Come darkness, come light / Come new star, shining bright / Come love to this world tonight / Alleluia. Come broken, come whole / Come wounded in your soul / Come anyway that you know / Alleluia "

-Mary Chapin Carpenter, Come Darkness, Come Light

Ruth, Lisa, Abe, Miles, and Olivia Reshad

Hymn of Praise 10

Bring Many Names

WESTCHASE
Mr. Bob Rieth

Invocation

One Candle Is Lit (v. 2)

CRADLE SONG

Hymn of Prayer 133

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Candle

Hymn of Advent 128

like a child

Prayers of the People

God who comes to us as a child...

Show us the way.

Congregational Response

Wait for the Lord his

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WAIT FOR THE LORD

Wait for the Lord, his day is near. Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

The Lord's Prayer

ALL

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.

Invitation to Stewardship

Ms. Lauri Warfield

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

Offertory

String Trio

Doxology VENI EMMANUEL

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to us and with all people dwell.

Luke 1:5-17, 24-25 For the Word of God in its promise and covenant...

Rev. Russell

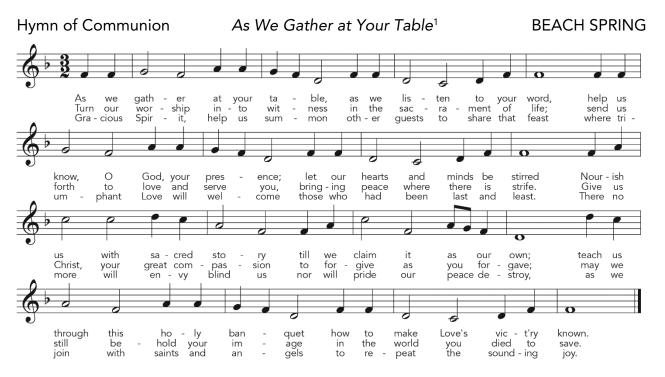
Thanks be to God.

Sermon Be Ready: Peace Rev. Russell

Discipline of Silence

"My pastor says that peace is joy at rest, and joy is peace on its feet."

-Anne Lamott, A ham from God



Invitation to Commune

Rev. Russell

Prayer at the Table

Ms. Megan Rowe

Words of Institution

Rev. Russell

Invitation to Discipleship

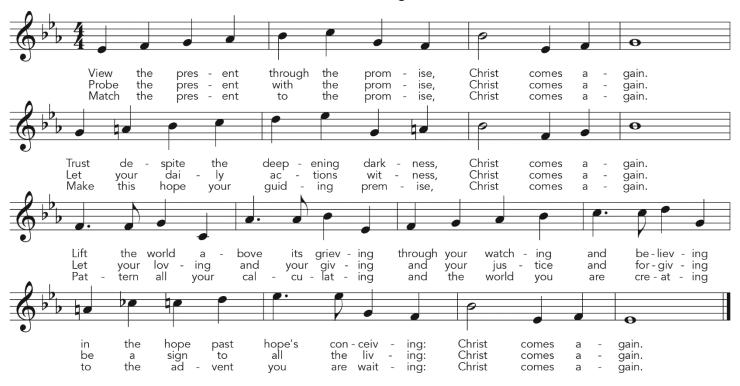
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Hymn of Discipleship

EAST ACKLAM

View the Present through the Promise²

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String Trio

Postlude

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 A Dream Confirmed by Lisle Gwynn Garrity A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org

¹Words by Carl P. Daw, Jr., 1989

Words by Thomas H. Troeger, 1986²

Today's musicians are Evan Collins, organ/piano; Alivia Gaskins, violin; Alexis Facaros, violin; and, Hannah Ross (cello).

Flowers in the chancel are in memory of memory of Darrell Harris, Jr. on his birthday (December 5) from his loving family.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today, 12/4: 11am - Two or More scripture discussion group (Gibbens room)

- Community Choir rehearsal

6pm - YouTube premiere of morning worship

Mon., 12/5: 7pm - YouTube premiere of Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart

Tue., 12/6: 7:45am - Devotional gathering using The Upper Room (on Zoom)*

Wed., 12/7: noon-3pm - Open labyrinth walk

7pm - YouTube premiere of theAlternative

Thu., 12/8: 7pm - Advent Study (on Zoom)**

Fri., 12/9: 9am - Worship Committee work day (poinsettias)

Sat., 12/10: 9am - Salvation Army bell-ringing at the Market Square Giant Eagle (until 9pm)

^{**}Register at waccelyria.org/adventstudy/



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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