



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

Worship of God

January 22, 2023, 9:30am: The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Chiming the Hour

The Atwood Carillon

Greeting

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

Ms. Glennis Covault

Call to Worship

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

Ms. Covault

Prelude

Prelude in C Major

Mr. Evan Collins

Meditation for Preparation

"Sing with reckless abandon."

-Kane O'Laughlin

Hymn of Praise 356

We, Your People, God Confessing

IN BABILONE

Invocation

Ms. Polly Simmons

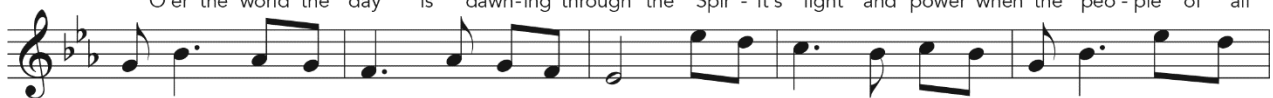
Hymn of Prayer

Let Us Pray for One Another¹

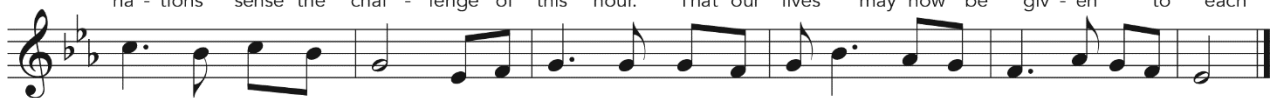
DECATUR



Let us pray for one an - oth - er that our minds and hearts may blend as we grow in love and
We are walk - ing down time's vis - ta; Zi - on's ban - ner now un - furled calls to stew - ard - ship of
O'er the world the day is dawn - ing through the Spir - it's light and power when the peo - ple of all



mer - cy, day by day, till life shall end. We can see how oth - ers need us; may we
car - ing and re - demp - tion of the world. Let us pray that we may ev - er sense God's
na - tions sense the chal - lenge of this hour. That our lives may now be giv - en to each



al - so dare to say that in love we'll share to - geth - er, for each oth - er let us pray.
guid - ance in the way; as we try to live for oth - ers, for each oth - er let us pray.
oth - er in God's way, in the name of Christ the Sav - ior, for each oth - er let us pray.

Prayers of the People

God who guides us on the way...
Inspire us to sense the challenge of this hour.

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.

Sung Response 313

Amen

AMEN

Invitation to Stewardship

Ms. Mary Siwierka

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

Offertory

Fugue in C Major

Mr. Collins

Doxology

Doxology²

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

Matthew 4:18-25

Mr. Collins

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

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Following with Reckless Abandon

Rev. Russell

Discipline of Silence

"Send me someone who has doubts about it / Who has conquered their own fear and lived to tell about it / Someone who won't give up in the frozen rain / Who'll walk right next to me through the orchards and the grain."

–David Crosby, *Dangerous Night*

Hymn of Communion 586

Open My Eyes, That I May See

OPEN MY EYES

Invitation to Commune

Ms. Covault

Prayer at the Table

Mr. Bob Maxwell

Words of Institution

Ms. Covault

Invitation to Discipleship

Rev. Russell

Hymn of Discipleship 357

We Call Ourselves Disciples

LANCASHIRE

Benediction and Charge

Rev. Russell

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²Lyrics by Nathan A. Russell, 2021

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EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 22:	11:00am:	Listening Session with Glennis Covault
	6:00pm:	YouTube Premiere of morning worship
Monday, January 23	7:00pm:	Children: Worship & Wonder online
Tuesday, January 24	7:30am:	Upper Room Devotional gathering via Zoom
	4:00pm:	Church Life & Growth Committee Meeting (In-Person & Zoom)
	6:30pm:	Christian Education Committee Meeting (In-Person & Zoom)
Wednesday, January 25	2:00pm:	Lilly Clergy Renewal Grant Committee Meeting
	7:00pm:	theAlternative: YouTube Premiere
Thursday, January 26	6:30pm:	Pastoral Relations Committee Meeting via Zoom



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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