

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

Worship of God

April 2, 2023, 9:30am: Palm Sunday

Chiming the Hour

The Spirit of God is with you!

And also with you!

Rev. Nathan A. Russell

The Atwood Carillon

Call to Worship

Greeting

Prelude

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

Attende Domine

Rev. Russell

Mr. Evan Collins

Meditation for Preparation

"Like superficial spirituality, looking on the bright side of things is a euphemism used for obscuring certain realities of life, the open consideration of which might prove threatening or dangerous to the status quo."

-Audre Lorde, The Cancer Journals

Invocation

Ms. Debbie Walker



Prayers of the People

God of every gift...

Supply grace and provide strength.

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.

Sung Response

Stay with Me²

STAY WITH ME

Stay with me, remain here with me, watch and pray. Watch and pray.

Invitation to Stewardship

Rev. Ron Dauphin

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

Offertory

Wonderful, Merciful Savior Sam Jungman & Mr. Collins

What Wondrous Love Is This Doxology 200 **PICARDY** To God and to the Lamb we will sing, we will sing, to God and to the Lamb we will sing! To God and to the Lamb, who is the great "I Am," while millions join the theme, we will sing, we will sing, while millions join the theme, we will sing! The Reading Matthew 21:1-11 Mr. Collins For the Word of God in its promise and covenant... Thanks be to God. Sermon Redeeming Stories: Highway to the Danger Zone Rev. Russell Discipline of Silence "I wouldn't mind if to be a Christian were accepted as being the dangerous thing which it is; I wouldn't mind if, when a group of Christians meet for bread and wine, we might well be interrupted and jailed for subversive activities; I wouldn't mind if, once again, we were being thrown to the lions. I do mind, desperately, that the word "Christian" means for so many people smugness, and piosity, and holier-than-thouness. Who today can recognize a Christian because of 'how those Christians love one another?'" -Madeleine L'Engle, A Circle of Quiet Hymn of Communion 183 We Meet You, O Christ STANI FY BEACH Invitation to Commune Rev. Russell Prayer at the Table Mr. Dan Clark

Words of Institution

Rev. Russell Rev. Russell

Invitation to Discipleship

Hymn of Discipleship

NO TRAMP OF SOLDIERS' MARCHING FEET

No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet³

Benediction and Charge

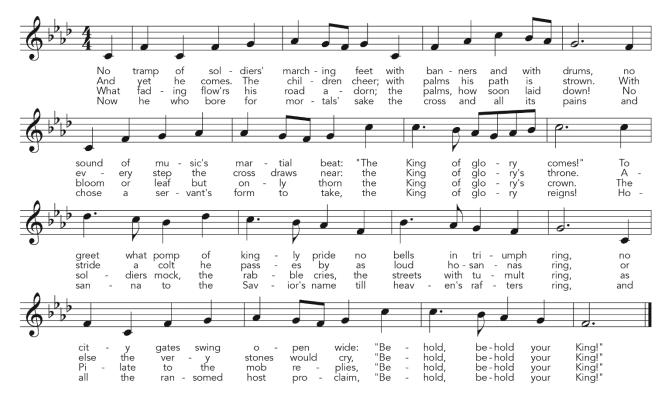
Rev. Russell

Postlude

All Glory, Laud, and Honor And all the people said...

Mr. Collins

AMFN!



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³Lyrics by Timothy Dudley-Smith, 1984

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EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 2 11:00am: Two or More: Scripture Discussion Group in the Gibbens' Room

> YouTube Premiere of morning worship 6:00pm:

Monday, April 3 7:00pm: Wondering through Lent (Zoom)

Upper Room Devotional Gathering (Zoom) Tuesday, April 4 7:30am: 5:30pm: Stewardship Committee Meeting (Hybrid) Wednesday, April 5 7:00pm: theAlternative: Worship online via YouTube

Thursday, April 6 Maundy Thursday: Worship in the Sanctuary 7:00pm:

Saturday, April 8 11:45pm: Easter Vigil in the Sanctuary



We are thrilled that you are worshiping God with us! Scan this QR code to register your attendance, submit a prayer request, and make a contribution.

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