



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

Worship of God

October 29, 2023, 9:30am: The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Chiming the Hour

The Atwood Carillon

Greeting

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

Don Hange, Jr.

Call to Worship

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

Don Hange, Jr.

Prelude

Jason Falkofsky

Meditation for Preparation

“Simplicity, patience, compassion. These three are your greatest treasures. Simple in actions and thoughts, you return to the source of being. Patient with both friends and enemies, you accord with the way things are. Compassionate toward yourself, you reconcile all beings in the world.”

–Lao Tzu, *Tao Te Ching*

Hymn of Praise 2

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

Invocation

Lil McNeal

Hymn of Prayer 605

For Each Day of Life We Thank You

CHARLESTOWN

Prayers of the People

God, the giver of our days...
Guide us to a better, brighter day.

Debby Willets

Sung Response 310

The Lord's Prayer

HAAS

Our Mother/Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kin*dom, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sin as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil for the kin*dom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

Invitation to Stewardship

Mary Siwierka

Offertory

Jason Falkofsky

Doxology 46

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host: Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. AMEN.**

The Reading

Matthew 6:19-27
For the Word of God in its promise and covenant...
Thanks be to God!

Glennis Covault

Sermon

Treasure

Glennis Covault

Discipline of Silence

“‘Treasures in heaven’ refers not so much to ‘salvation’ (which we often treat as a commodity) or to future, otherworldly rewards, but to the transformed relationships that attend God’s presence, whether on earth or in heaven... The heart set on heavenly treasure seeks first God’s own presence and power, and in the process discovers all else that is needed.”

–Stanley P. Saunders, *Feasting on the Gospels*

Hymn of Communion 356	<i>We, Your People, God, Confessing</i>	IN BABILONE
Invitation to Commune		Debby Willets
Prayer at the Table		Don Hange, Jr.
Words of Institution		Debby Willets
Invitation to Discipleship		Don Hange, Jr.
Hymn of Discipleship 622	<i>Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah</i>	CWM RHONDDA
Benediction and Charge		Don Hange, Jr.
Postlude		Jason Falkofsky

And all the people said...

AMEN!

Today's artwork is JESUS MAFA. The Sermon on the Mount, from **Art in the Christian Tradition**, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. JESUS MAFA is a response to the New Testament readings from the Lectionary by a Christian community in Cameroon, Africa. Each of the readings was selected and adapted to dramatic interpretation by the community members. Photographs of their interpretations were made, and these were then transcribed to paintings.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 29	11:00am:	Becoming WACC: The Sabbatical Team (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00pm:	YouTube premiere of morning worship
Tuesday, October 31	7:30am:	Upper Room Devotional Gathering (Zoom)
	4:00pm:	Church Life & Growth Committee (Hybrid)
Thursday, November 2	10:00am:	All-Church Social Hour (Zoom)



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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