



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

## Worship of God

April 28, 2020, 9:30am: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

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

Sol M. Rizzato

Meditation for Preparation

"We wanderers, ever seeking the lonelier way, begin no day where we have ended another day; and no sunrise finds us where sunset left us. Even while the earth sleeps, we travel. We are the seeds of the tenacious plant, and it is in our ripeness and our fullness of heart that we are given to the wind and are scattered."

–Kahlil Gibran, *The Prophet*



Invitation to Commune

Janet Stevens-Brown

Prayer at the Table

Don Hange, Jr.

Words of Institution

Janet Stevens-Brown

Invitation to Discipleship

Nathan A. Russell

Hymn of Discipleship

*Mighty God Who Called Creation<sup>2</sup>*

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Might - y God who called cre - a - tion from the un - formed womb of space,  
As we wor - ship, may your Spir - it breathe through us the pow'r of prayer,  
Root - ed in the love of Je - sus, nour - ished by his flesh and blood,  
Keep us faith - ful, joy - ful, lov - ing, filled with hope through grief and pain,



new - born worlds of gleam - ing glo - ry, fresh with hope and ripe with grace:  
words of life for dai - ly liv - ing, strength to do and faith to dare.  
may we prove a fruit - ful vine - yard, joined in mut - ual serv - ant - hood.  
know - ing that the One who made us has re - deemed and will sus - tain:



speak a - gain with power and prom - ise when the storms of fear in - crease;  
Come, en - flame us, Ho - ly Spir - it, like the church at Pen - te - cost;  
Work through us, O ris - en Sav - ior, to reap peace from fields of strife;  
Tri - une God, of bound - less glo - ry, yet in hu - man form made known,



to our cha - os and con - fu - sion let your light and truth bring peace.  
help us bear the light of bless - ing to the least, and the last, the lost.  
bring our bar - ren wastes to blos - som; lead us out of death to life.  
raise us up to be a peo - ple called by love to be your own.

Benediction and Charge

Nathan A. Russell

Postlude

Sol M. Rizzato

And all the people said...

**AMEN!**

Today's artwork is *The Parable of the Sower* (1973) and is part of the JESUS MAFA series. 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 into paintings.

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 28

- 11:00am: Speaking Christian Book Study
- 6:00pm: YouTube Premiere of Morning Worship

Monday, April 29

- 10:00-11:30am: Church Women United
- 1:00-3:00pm: Nominating Committee (Hybrid)

Tuesday, April 30

- 7:30-8:30am: Upper Room Devotional Hour (Zoom)
- 4:00-5:00pm: Church Life & Growth (Zoom)
- 7:00-8:30pm: Christian Education (Hybrid)

Thursday, May 2

- 10:00-11:00am 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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