

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Leaders: Beverly Goines and Steven Moore
Preachers: Trevor Dane and Stephen Gentle

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

We prepare for worship with the gathering music. Join in the singing of the gathering music with the choir, and please turn off all cellular phones, pagers, and watch alarms.

CALL TO WORSHIP Stephen Gentle

GATHERING MUSIC

Welcome into This Place

Welcome into this place. Welcome into this broken vessel.
You desire to abide in the praises of your people,
So we lift our hands and we lift our hearts
As we offer up this praise unto your name.
(repeat)

Come and Go with Me

Come and go with me to my Father's house,
To my Father's house, to my Father's house.
Come and go with me to my Father's house;
There is joy, joy, joy!

Peace and love abide in my Father's house,
In my Father's house, in my Father's house.
Peace and love abide in my Father's house;
There is joy, joy, joy!

Peace and happiness there in my Father's house,
In my Father's house, in my Father's house.
Peace and happiness there in my Father's house,
There is joy, joy, joy!

✠OPENING HYMN No. 606
God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

✠RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE Beverly Goines
Leader: With all your strength, sing aloud to the Lord, who has brought you here and blessed you.

People: Our voices shall shout forth praise and thanksgiving to God.

Leader: With all your heart, reach out in service to those in need, remembering God's mercy in your own life.

People: Our lives shall be witnesses to the love of God which has been lavished upon us.

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord with Great joy!

People: Let us bring all that we have and all that we are to God in gratitude.

✠SONG OF THANKSGIVING

We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise

We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord.
We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord.
And we offer up to you the sacrifices of thanksgiving,
And we offer up to you the sacrifices of joy.
repeat

✠MOMENT OF FRIENDSHIP, WELCOME OF VISITORS Stephen Gentle
Welcome to National City Christian Church. We greet you in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We request that everyone - both members and visitors - sign the Connect With Us cards in your bulletin. If you are a visitor, please indicate your address and telephone number. There is space on the back of the cards for prayer concerns.

CALL TO PRAYER

Make Me a Servant

Make me a servant, humble and meek,
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak;
and may the prayer of my heart always be:
make me a servant, make me a servant,
make me a servant today.
(repeat)

PASTORAL PRAYER Beverly Goines

LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE COMMUNITY HEARS GOD'S WORD

CHORAL PRAISE Glenn Burleigh
The Name

SCRIPTURE READING Beverly Goines
NT p. 212
Hebrews 13:1-8

HYMN OF PREPARATION No. 600 (1-3)
Jesu, Jesu

SERMON Stephen Gentle
Trevor Dane
Guess Who Is Coming To Dinner?

Hymn

Come, Share With Us

Come, share with us, as ev-ery Christ-ian can, to - day's re - joic - ing in a work of grace;
our Found-ers long a - go in faith be - gan here where we meet, in this his - tor - ic place.

THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS TO GOD'S WORD

Those desiring to become members of the community of National City Christian Church, either by transfer of membership, profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith or as an associate member, are invited to come forward during the hymn.

✠INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP V. Michael McKay
Koinonia

How can I say that I love the Lord whom I've never, ever seen before;
And forget to say that I love the one whom I walk beside each and ev'ry day?
How can I look upon your face and ignore God's love?
You I must embrace! You're my brother; you're my sister;
And I love you with the love of my Lord.

THE COMMUNITY CELEBRATES GOD'S GRACE

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION AND OFFERING Steven Moore

ELDERS' PRAYERS FOR THE BREAD AND CUP Theresa Beaton
Norman Kruse

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING AND RECEIVING OF GIFTS

This table is for all believers in Jesus Christ. Please come forward by the center aisle as directed by the Deacons. White baskets are available at the first pew for your offerings. When receiving communion, take a wafer from the plate and dip it in the cup. After you have received the Lord's Supper, please return to your seats by the side aisles.

COMMUNION HYMN No. 408
Come, Share the Lord

THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE

✠BENEDICTION

✠RESPONSE No. 433
Blest Be the Tie That Binds
Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Following the worship service, our pastors are at the front of the sanctuary to greet you. All are invited to come down to the Atrium for a time of fellowship.

The flowers were given by Theresa Beaton
in memory of her father, Manuel A. Smith.
And by Kathleen Burger Gerada
in memory of her parents, Florence and Trice Burger.

Worship and preaching resources: Chalice Worship, Colbert S. Cartwright and O.I. Cricket Harrison, ed. (St. Louis: Chalice Press, 1999), Seasons of the Spirit, Craig Schaub, et. al., (British Columbia, Canada: Wood Lake Publishing, Inc., 2007), and When We Gather, James G. Kirk, (Philadelphia: The Geneva Press, 2001). The texts for the hymns sung during this morning service are reprinted with permission given under CCLI #2266475.

WELCOME TO NATIONAL CITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Welcome to National City Christian Church, the national church of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Your presence fills us with joy today as we celebrate the last weeks of the summer holiday. Today Trevor Dane is sharing his witness on how National City Christian Church has changed his life. He will place his story in the 80th Anniversary ark to be sealed for 20 years on our anniversary Sunday, October 17. Join your voice in praise and your heart in prayer as part of the whole people of God worshipping all over God's world today. For this is the day the Lord has made!

FOR OUR GUESTS

Connect With Us! – We are so delighted that you have chosen to worship at National City Christian Church. Please take a moment and sign the *Connect With Us* card in the bulletin. Indicate your address, telephone number, and e-mail address. There is a space on the back for prayer concerns and comments. Please place it in the offering tray.

Membership at NCCC – It would be our joy to welcome you into the membership of this congregation. You may join through transfer of membership from another congregation or through a profession of faith and baptism. Full and associate membership are available. Please feel free to talk with any minister or e-mail sgentle@nationalcitycc.org

Sanctuary Tour – Tours of our historic sanctuary are available following the 11 a.m. worship service. If you are interested, please meet at the Garfield Window in the rear of the sanctuary (pulpit side).

Coffee and Fellowship – Come to the Atrium for a warm cup of coffee and meet some of the warm people of National City. The Atrium is located on the first floor of the building through the front, right door.

Nursery – Childcare is available during the morning for children through age four. The nursery is located in Fellers Foyer. Speak with a greeter or any member for directions.

Parking – Parking is available at the Washington Plaza Hotel garage on Vermont Avenue. Coupons for discounted price of \$4 are at the 14th Street entrance desk in the Atrium.

Accessibility – Elevator access to the sanctuary is available via the 14th Street courtyard entrance. If you would like to request a handicapped parking space for Sunday, please call the church office by 12 noon on Friday. In addition, the sanctuary has an assisted listening system; please request a receiver from an usher.

EN ESPAÑOL – Culto en la Capilla Phillips, Domingo 11 a.m.

Audio Recording – Tapes of the sermon from the 11 a.m. worship service are available for \$4. Tapes may be ordered by completing the form at the reception desk in the Atrium or by calling the church office. Please add \$2 per tape for mailing. Messages are also available for download at www.nationalcitycc.org

Pastoral Needs – If you would like to speak with a pastor, please feel free to meet with one of the pastors at the door after the worship service or call during business hours, 202-232-0323.

National City Online – Visit online at www.nationalcitycc.org and Facebook members are encouraged to sign up as fans of National City's Facebook page. Also members and guests are encouraged to sign up for our e-mail list at <http://www.nationalcitycc.org/register.asp>

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH FAMILY

James Green; Xiao 'Polly' He; Ann Howland; Enid Maitland;
Bob Mansker; C. William and Claudine Nichols; Hilda Reynolds;
Dick Taylor; Martha Thompkins; Alice Tate;
all those affected by flooding; and those in military service.

CAPITAL AREA PRAYER CALENDAR

Rockville Christian Church, Rockville, Maryland

PLEASE SEND ANNOUNCEMENTS TO COLLEEN WALSH
AT cwalsh@nationalcitycc.org OR cjwalsh@gmail.com

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

Sunday School – 10 a.m. for children, youth and adults.

Classes for elementary, middle and high school students will be on summer hiatus until September 12.

Christian Pathways – an adult class for all ages meets in the 3rd Flr. Conf. room.

Children's Time – All elementary students are invited to participate in the children's Creative Arts program that takes place during the 11 a.m. service. Children can meet their parents in the Music Suite or in the Atrium at the end of the worship service.

Fair Trade Gifts, Crafts, and Coffee – Hilda's International Gift Shop is open today from 10 to 11 a.m. and 12 to 1 p.m. near the courtyard entrance in the Atrium.

Yada (Young Adult) Conversation – Howland Center, 12:30-2:30 p.m. Pizza lunch will be provided.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Food Pantry from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Atrium.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In Sympathy – We extend our condolences to Will Lang and his family on the loss of his mother, Allegra (Boots) Lang, who passed away in July.

In Sympathy – We extend our deepest condolences to Dr. William Brown and his family during this summer when two of his brothers passed away. Dr. Brown conducted the funeral service of his brother, Ed Brown, following his death on July 1. Shortly after this death, Winston Brown passed away. His services were held in Richmond, Virginia, on July 17, where Dr. Brown spoke. Please offer your prayers of support and words of encouragement with the William Brown family during this time of loss.

Pakistani Relief – How much more can the people of Pakistan handle? The flooding has been devastating and the damage done will take years--if not decades--from which to recover. Our hearts ache for our sisters and brothers in Pakistan. As always, you are there through Week of Compassion. Your gift is already at work in Pakistan, channeled through Church World Service and ACT Alliance. Your new gifts, marked "Pakistan Relief," will be used to respond to this overwhelming disaster. Thank you. Read more at www.weekofcompassion.org.

Labor Day at Bethany Beach – Next weekend, many of our members will be enjoying the last vestiges of summer at Bethany Beach. Let's travel back in history as we send off 55 members and friends of our congregation to their annual Labor Day outing at Bethany Beach. In 1900, a regional organization of the Disciples of Christ churches in the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Delaware bought property in Bethany Beach for conferences and as a vacation spot. It immediately became very popular. As our members travel the 125 miles in their cars next weekend--maybe taking several hours, let's remember our pastor from 1875 to 1911, Dr. Frederick Power, who described the full-day journey as "two street-car rides, two train rides, two boat rides, and there you are!"

YADA (Young Adult) Retreat – On September 10-12, YADA is headed to Camp Mary Mac for a weekend of spiritual renewal led by our very own, Rev. Steven Moore. Contact Kristi Beckwith-Dane at welcometolondon@hotmail.com with questions. Registration will be available soon.

All Church Picnic – Mark your calendar for the all church picnic on Saturday afternoon, September 11, at Glencarlyn Park in Arlington from 3 p.m. till dark. Signup in the Atrium to bring your favorite dish and to see what is still needed. Google Glencarlyn Park for directions or take the Orange Line to Ballston catch the 25 bus to 3rd Street South on Carlyn Springs Road, then walk a few blocks to the park.

Regional CWF Fall Gathering – September 18 at University Christian Church from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Kitty Shaver will be speaking on the East African Education Initiative. Reservations are necessary. The registration forms are in the Atrium and must be returned by September 13.

Disciples Women – Our Fall Kick-Off will be Tuesday, September 14, at 11 a.m. in the Music Suite with Mary Ann Brown bringing us the program, Paula Engle the devotional, and Circle 1 will host. There will be a salad to add to the sandwich that you bring.

Needed – New Sunday School teachers are needed for children's classes beginning September 12. Materials will be provided. We need different teachers for the preschool children during the 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services, and teachers for the elementary aged children from 10 to 10:45 a.m. For more information or to volunteer please contact Teresa Swihart.



New Beginnings

August 29, 2010

8:30 a.m.



National City Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)