

# Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Leaders: Charles Miller, and Alan Williams  
Preacher: Beverly Goines

## THE COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

### PRELUDE

*Entreaty (based on Psalm 55:1)* Raymond Haan

Chorale Improvisation on *How Great Thou Art* Dale Wood

### MOMENT OF FRIENDSHIP AND WELCOME

Beverly Goines

Welcome! National City Christian Church is the national church of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and a house of prayer that is open and affirming of all people. We pray that today's worship will please God and edify God's people.

Please sign the Connect With Us card in the bulletin. If you are a first-time guest, please indicate your address, telephone number, and email address. There is a space on the back for prayer concerns and comments. As we prepare for worship, please turn off all cellular telephones, pagers, and watch alarms. The service is approximately one hour and fifteen minutes.

### ✠HYMN OF PRAISE

No. 2  
HYMN TO JOY

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

## THE COMMUNITY HEARS GOD'S WORD

### ✠RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Alan Williams

Leader: How awesome is the Lord Most High, the great King over all the earth. God is on the move! All of those who serve the Lord will be blessed!

**People: Come we who love the Lord and let our joys be known!**

Leader: There is a song in our hearts. There are untold melodies on our lips. For our God is worthy of songs of praise and delight.

**People: Before the beginning, God was at work, making provisions for us, taking the desolate and void, making a place of wonder and delight for our habitation.**

Leader: Our God is an awesome God!

**People: Regal Power and Sovereign Majesty is the name of our God.**

### VOCAL SOLO

*How Gentle God's Command*  
Patricia Simmons, mezzo soprano

Marcus Smith

### SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 25:4-7

Alan Williams  
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### SERMON

*"Troubling Tellings"*

Beverly Goines

## THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS TO GOD'S WORD AND CELEBRATES GOD'S GRACE

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.

### ✠HYMN OF COMMITMENT

No. 494

*They'll Know We are Christians By Our Love*

### GIVING AND RECEIVING OF THE OFFERING

Beverly Goines

### OFFERTORY SOLO

arr. Hall Johnson

*I Gotta Lie Down*

Patricia Simmons, mezzo soprano

### ✠DOXOLOGY

No. 46  
OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Beverly Goines

### PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Paul Heffron

Elder: As we come to the Lord's table, let us come with a spirit of humility and penitence.

**People: Let us examine ourselves: our thoughts, our actions, our motives, and our attitudes toward others.**

Elder: O Holy God, have mercy and forgive us our shortcomings.

**People: Help us to remember our responsibility to our families and our neighbors, our stewardship to you, and the work you have given to our hands.**

Elder: May this Lord's Supper energize every area of our lives and enable us to transcend our circumstances, our inadequacies, and our enemies.

**People: God who sees us, touch and empower us so that our lives will be renewed.**

**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.**

### PRAYER AT THE TABLE

Will Lang

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

This table is for all believers in Jesus Christ. Please come forward by the center aisle as directed. When receiving communion, take the bread and dip it into the cup. Return to your seat by the side aisle.

### COMMUNION HYMN

No. 419 (3)  
HOLY MANNA

*All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

All who hunger, sing together; Jesus Christ is living bread.  
Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been led.  
Blest are those who from this table live their days in gratitude.  
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

## THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE

### ✠HYMN OF GOING FORTH

No. 33 (1, 2, 4)  
O STORE GUD

*How Great Thou Art*

O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;  
how great thou art, how great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;  
how great thou art, how great thou art!

When through the wood and forest glades I wander,  
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;  
*refrain*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,  
and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!  
*refrain*

### ✠BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

Jacques Nicolas Lemmens

*Fanfare in D*

*As the organ postlude is played, please feel free to depart the sanctuary and greet those around you. For those who wish to stay and enjoy the postlude, you are invited to come forward, gather near the organ console, and let the full splendor of this instrument and the glorious music played upon it fill your soul.*

*Following the worship service, our pastors are at the back and side doors 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 Mary Paradise  
in memory of her father, Hoyt Paradise.

*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 Worship!** Today's preacher is the Reverend Beverly Goines. Rev. Goines joined our pastoral staff in 2003 as a Lilly Endowment Resident Pastor. Presently as Assistant Pastor, she provides pastoral care and counseling to the congregation, serves as the staff liaison to the young adult ministry, and supplies worship leadership. Rev. Goines is a native Washingtonian, with degrees from Carnegie Mellon University, Howard University Divinity School, and is presently completing her Ph.D. at Catholic University of America.

**Dr. and Mrs. Gentle are in Nashville** for the General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) with several other members of National City Christian Church. Should you need to speak with a pastor during this time, please contact Rev. Noemi Mena at [npmena@verizon.net](mailto:npmena@verizon.net).

### EVERY SUNDAY

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

Classes for elementary students will meet in the staff lounge on the third floor of the Beasley Building.

Classes for middle and high school students will meet in the 2nd Floor Conference Room.

Christian Pathways – Small group on Acts led by Bill Travis in the Howland Center.

### FOR OUR GUESTS

**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 memberships are available. Please feel free to talk with any minister or email [sgentle@nationalcitycc.org](mailto: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.

**Accessibility** – Elevator access to the sanctuary is available via the 14<sup>th</sup> 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.

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

**Parking** – Complimentary parking is available at the Washington Plaza Hotel parking garage. Simply ask for a voucher at the church front desk at the 14th street entrance. Street parking is available every Sunday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the west ramp off Thomas Circle, which leads to Massachusetts Avenue.

**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](http://www.nationalcitycc.org) to find a recording of Sunday's sermon. 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>.

## TODAY

**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.

## TUESDAY, JULY 12

**Yada** - Join the Young Adults at happy hour at Ghana Cafe a block north of the church at 6 p.m. Text Kathleen at 615-424-6498 for details.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 13

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The Novel Book Club at NCCC** – Our first meeting will be on July 28 at 7 p.m. at Hilda's Gift Shop. We will be discussing *The Alchemist* by Paulo Coelho. Join other book lovers in a lively discussion of this book. If you have any questions, please contact Miriam Gentle at 202-332-3736 or [miriam.gentle@gmail.com](mailto:miriam.gentle@gmail.com). Hope to see you there!

**Baptism** – If you are interested in being baptized, there will be a time for baptism on Sunday, July 24. Dr. Gentle will hold a special class on baptism next Sunday, July 17, at 10 a.m. in the sanctuary, for those who are interested in learning more. Please speak with Rev. Goines at [gobjae@aol.com](mailto:gobjae@aol.com), if interested.

**Labor Day Weekend** – National City has reserved the Conference Center at Bethany Beach for this long weekend. Registration forms can be found in the Atrium or email Teresa Swihart, [tisatcamp@yahoo.com](mailto:tisatcamp@yahoo.com).

### PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH FAMILY

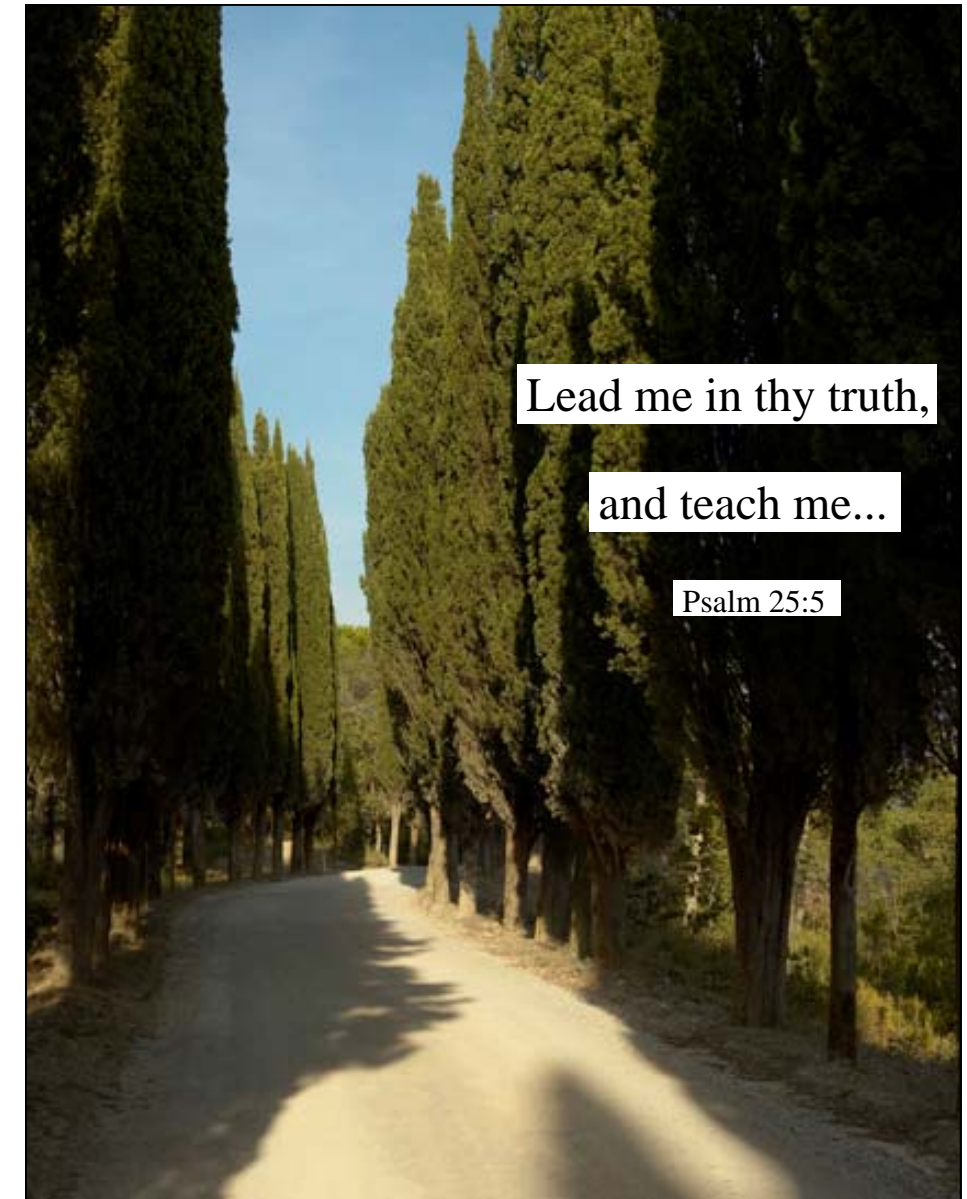
James Green; Polly He; Will Hill; William C. Howland, Jr.;  
Enid Maitland; C. William and Claudine Nichols;  
Lynn Parrish; Hilda Reynolds; Denise Ross;  
Martha Thompkins; David Tyson; Al Weaver;  
and those in military and civil service.

### CAPITAL AREA PRAYER CALENDAR

First Christian Church, Hagerstown, Maryland

**PLEASE SEND ANNOUNCEMENTS TO COLLEEN WALSH**

AT [cwalsh@nationalcitycc.org](mailto:cwalsh@nationalcitycc.org) OR [cjwalsh@gmail.com](mailto:cjwalsh@gmail.com)



Lead me in thy truth,

and teach me...

Psalm 25:5

July 10, 2011  
11 a.m.



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