

# First Sunday after Pentecost Sunday

Worship Leaders: Valeria Foster, Beverly Goines,  
Lari Grubbs, and Noemi Mena  
Preacher: 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

*We Have Come into His House* Bruce Ballinger

We have come into his house and gathered in his name to worship him;  
We have come into his house and gathered in his name to worship him;  
We have come into his house and gathered in his name to worship Christ the Lord.  
Worship Him, Christ the Lord.

Let's forget about ourselves and magnify his name and worship him;  
Let's forget about ourselves and magnify his name and worship him;  
Let's forget about ourselves and magnify his name to worship Christ the Lord.  
Worship Him, Christ the Lord.

## *This Is the Day / He Has Made Me Glad*

This is the day, this is the day  
That the Lord has made, that the Lord has made.

I will rejoice, I will rejoice  
And be glad in it, and be glad in it.  
This is the day that the Lord has made;  
I will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.

I will enter His gates with thanksgiving in my heart;  
I will enter His courts with praise;  
I will say this is the day that the Lord has made;  
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

He has made me glad, He has made me glad.  
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.  
He has made me glad, He has made me glad.  
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

✠ OPENING HYMN Julia Cory

## *We Praise You, O God*

We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;  
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring;  
We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;  
We bless your holy name: glad praises we sing.

We worship you, God of our fathers and mothers;  
Through life's storm and tempest our guide you have been;  
When perils o'take us, you never forsake us,  
And with your help, O Lord, our battles we win.

With voices united our praises we offer,  
Our songs of thanksgiving to you we now raise;  
Your strong arm will guide us, our God is beside us,  
To you, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

✠ RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE Noemi Mena

Leader: Yahweh told Abram to leave his own country and go where God asked of him.

**People: The God of Abraham praise, all praised be his name.**

Leader: I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, make your name great,  
so you will be a blessing.

**People: Who was and is, and is to be, and still the same.**

Leader: So Abram went, as the Lord had told him.

**People: The one eternal God, the one that now appears.**

Leader: Let us worship the God of Abraham.

**People: The first, the last, beyond all thought, for timeless years.**

✠ SONG OF THANKSGIVING Terry Coelho

## *Father, I Adore You*

Musical score for 'Father, I Adore You' in 4/4 time, key of B-flat major. The score consists of two staves. The first staff has lyrics: Fa - ther, I a - dore you, lay my life be - fore you; Je - sus, I a - dore you, lay my life be - fore you; Spi - rit I a - dore you, lay my life be - fore you;. The second staff has lyrics: how I love you. how I love you. how I love you.

✠ 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 Greg Nelson, Phil McHugh

## *People Need the Lord*

People need the Lord; people need the Lord;  
At the end of broken dreams, he's the open door.  
People need the Lord; people need the Lord;  
When will we realize people need the Lord.

PASTORAL PRAYER Lari Grubbs

## 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 Donald Lawrence

## *The Blessing of Abraham*

SCRIPTURE READING Noemi Mena

Genesis 12:1-8

HYMN OF PREPARATION No. 565 (1, 3)

## *If You Will Trust in God to Guide You*

SERMON Stephen Gentle

## *Our Father, Abraham*

## 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 No. 635 (1, 3)

## *Faith of Our Fathers*

## THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS TO GOD'S GRACE

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION AND OFFERING Beverly Goines

ELDERS' PRAYERS FOR THE BREAD AND CUP Byron Cotton  
Michelle Jezycki

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## SHARING AND RECEIVING GOD'S GRACE

This table is for all believers in Jesus Christ. Please come forward by the center aisle as directed by the Deacons. 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. 425

## *Let Us Break Bread Together*

## THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE

✠ BENEDICTION Lari Grubbs

✠ RESPONSE Leon Patillo

## *Go*

Go ye therefore and teach all nations, go, go, go;  
Go ye therefore and teach all nations, go, go, go;  
Baptizing them in the name of the Father and Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Go, go, go.

*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 Jane and Wes Strotman  
in celebration of their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

*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!** We are so delighted that you have chosen to worship with us on this day. Three religions look to Abraham as the “father of faith” in one sense or another: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Does our common ancestry in Abraham help our shared faith or not? Let’s explore together our faith shared in Father Abraham.

### 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.

**Children’s Time** – All elementary students are invited to participate in the children’s Creative Arts program led by Patrick Malone 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.

### 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>.

**PLEASE SEND ANNOUNCEMENTS TO COLLEEN WALSH**  
AT [cwalsh@nationalcitycc.org](mailto:cwalsh@nationalcitycc.org) OR [cajwalsh@gmail.com](mailto:cajwalsh@gmail.com)

## 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.

**Food Pantry Sunday** - The third Sunday of the month is our traditional day to bring items for the Food Pantry. Each month we service hundreds of our homeless neighbors but also many families within our neighborhood are aided by the Food Pantry. Please bring your nonperishable food items to either the 8:30 or 11 a.m. service. Any food item is greatly appreciated. **Our focus this month** is on fruit/jello/pudding cups, granola or snack bars, and juice boxes. If you would prefer you can make a monetary donation to the Food Pantry by using one of the envelopes. Put Food Pantry on the Memo line.

**General Board Meeting** – Today at 12:30 p.m., Howland Center.

## TUESDAY, JUNE 21

**Yada** - Join the Young Adults at happy hour at Cuba Libre (near Gallery Place Metro) at 6:30 p.m. Text Kathleen at 615-424-6498 if needed.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22

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

## FRIDAY, JUNE 24

**Magical Mystical Musical Machine** – Free organ recital and demonstration series at 12:15 - 1 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Featured this week is John Lowe from Gainesville, Florida.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**In Sympathy** – Our prayers are with Sana Kifafi, whose brother died on June 9 in Jordan of a heart attack at the age of 39. Sana staffs our Sunday morning nursery.

**Deacons Meeting** - Sunday, June 26, 12:30 p.m., 3rd Floor Conference Room.

**Regional Church Summer Camps are Coming!** – There are fun camps for ALL ages in the mountains and at the beach. Details are available at <http://www.cccadisciples.org/camp>. You can find information in the Atrium.

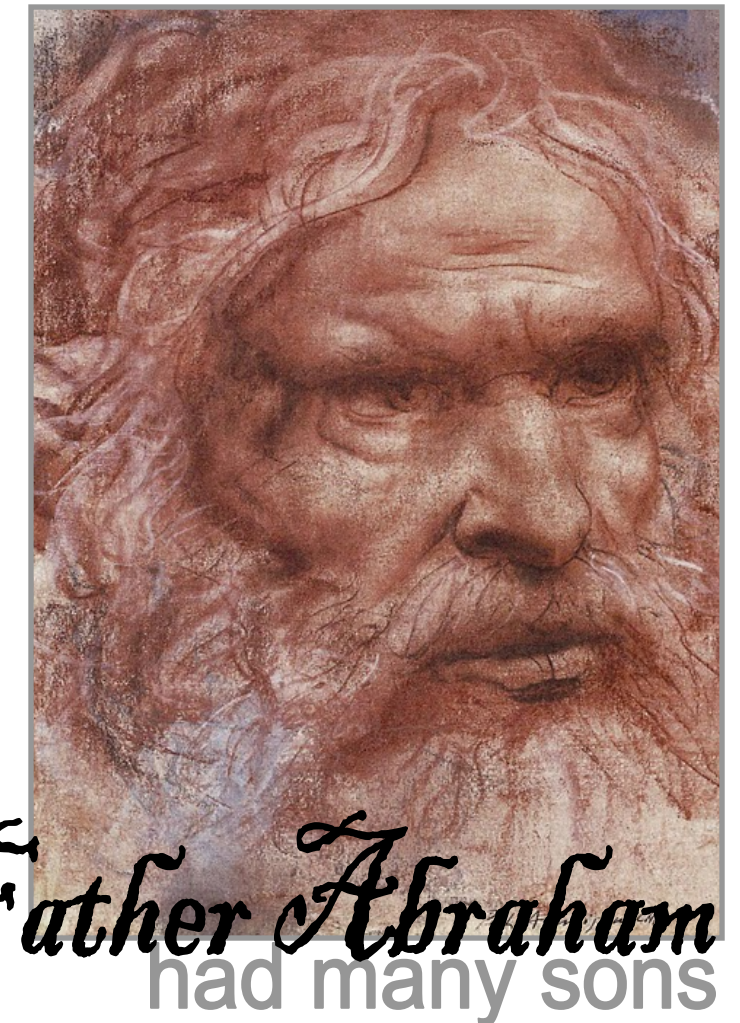
**Labor Day Weekend** – National City has reserved the Conference Center at Bethany Beach for this long weekend. Registration forms can be found in the atrium or email Teresa Swihart, [tisatcamp@yahoo.com](mailto:tisatcamp@yahoo.com) to have one emailed to you.

### 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 service.

### CAPITAL AREA PRAYER CALENDAR

National City Christian Church and the Hispanic Ministry



**June 19, 2011**  
**8:30 a.m.**



**National City Christian Church**  
**(Disciples of Christ)**