

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

### Worship of God

March 16, 2025; 9:30am: Second Sunday in Lent

Chiming the Hour The Atwood Carillon

Greeting The Spirit of God is with you... Nathan A. Russell

And also with you!

Call to Worship Lift up your hearts... Nathan A. Russell

We lift them to the Lord!

Prelude O Gott, du frommer Gott (O God, you faithful God) (Brahms) Sol M. Rizzato

Meditation for Preparation

"I wanted a perfect ending. Now I've learned, the hard way, that some poems don't rhyme, and some stories don't have a clear beginning, middle, and end. Life is about not knowing, having to change, taking the moment and making the best of it, without knowing what's going to happen next. Delicious Ambiguity."

-Gilda Radner, It's Always Something

Hymn of Praise 293 Out of Need and Out of Custom GATHERING

Invocation Dick Lee

Prayers of the People

## Healing God... Restore our hope and remove our fear.

Gerald Western

### The Lord's Prayer

Our Mother/Father/Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kin\*dom 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 kin\*dom, and the power, and the glory, forever. AMEN.



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Name,

The Reading

# Luke 8:40-55 For the Word of God in its promise and covenant...

#### Nathan A. Russell

Thanks be to God!

Sermon What Do You Know? Nathan A. Russell

Discipline of Silence

"The psychologist finally has something important to say. Something she didn't learn at college but knows that everyone needs to hear, every so often. 'Not knowing is a good place to start.'"

-Frederick Backman, Anxious People



Invitation to Commune

Gerald Western

Prayer at the Table

Sue Pray

Words of Institution

Gerald Western

Invitation to Discipleship

Nathan A. Russell

Hymn of Discipleship

God of the Future<sup>3</sup> (Reverse)

TENDERNESS

Benediction and Charge

Nathan A. Russell

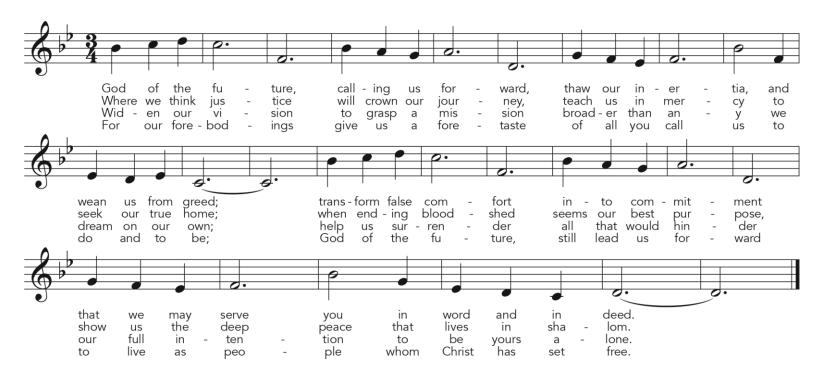
Postlude

Prelude in C Minor, BWV 546 (J.S. Bach)
And all the people said...

AMEN!

Sol M. Rizzato

Today's artwork is *Healing of the Daughter of Jairus* (1973) by JESUS MAFA. 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, March 16

- 11:00am Lenten Study: *Unsettling Lent* {Gibbens Room}
- 6:00pm: YouTube Online Worship Premiere

Tuesday, March 18

- 7:30-8:30am: Upper Room Devotional Hour (Zoom)
- 3:00-4:30pm: Outreach Committee Mtg. (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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