



National City Christian Church

Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 10, 2018, at 11 a.m.

5 Thomas Circle, NW, Washington, DC 20005

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Welcome to National City Christian Church, national church of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and a house of prayer that is open to and affirming of all people. We are honored that you have chosen to worship with us. Please fill out the Connect with Us card, and place it in the offering tray. Today's service is approximately 75 minutes.

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

Worship Leaders: Steven Baines, Charlie Daniel, Stephen Gentle, Beverly Goines, Kenneth Lowenberg, Michael McMahon, and Sharon Stanley-Rea

Pulpit Guest: Rev. Dr. William J. Barber II

PRELUDE

My Lord, What a Morning

African American Spiritual
arr. Raymond Haan (b. 1938)

MOMENT OF FRIENDSHIP AND WELCOME

Stephen Gentle

INTROIT

Goodness Is Stronger Than Evil

Goodness is stronger than evil; love is stronger than hate;
light is stronger than darkness; life is stronger than death.
Victory is ours through him who loved us.

John L. Bell
(b. 1949)

Text: Desmond Tutu (b. 1931)

✧ OPENING HYMN

In Christ There is No East or West

No. 687
ST. PETER

✧ RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Steven Baines

Leader: Ancient of days, we praise your name, for your grace sustains us.

People: We wait for you, Lord, for your word strengthens us.

Leader: Our outer nature is wasting away day by day,

People: but our inner nature is being renewed by your daily bread.

Leader: Grant us the eyes to see what cannot be seen and to gaze on what is eternal.

People: May we revel in your work and be a visible witness of your invisible kingdom.

Unison: In Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

✧ ANTHEM

God's Gonna Set This World on Fire

African American Spiritual
arr. Moses Hogan (1957-2003) and Edwin B. Hogan

THE COMMUNITY HEARS GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Charlie Daniel

1 John 3:11, 16-18

For this is the message you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us - and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action.

(✧ Please stand as you are able.)

Proclaim God's Marvelous Deeds (Psalm 96)
 Alia Waheed Ky, cantor; David Robeck, percussion
 Please repeat the refrain after the cantor and again after each stanza.

Kenneth W. Louis
 (b. 1956)

Pro - claim— God's mar-vel-ous deeds. Pro - claim God's mar-vel-ous deeds. Oh —
 Pro - claim— God's mar-vel-ous deeds to all the na - tions.

Text: Psalm 96: 1-3, 10, adap. by Kenneth W. Louis. Music: Kenneth W. Louis. Text and music © 1999 by GIA Publications, Inc. Reprinted under OneLicense.net A-723406.

Sing a new song to the Lord! Everyone on this earth,
 sing praises to the Lord, sing and praise his name. Everybody singing! **R.**
 Announce his salvation day after day. Tell his glory among the nations,
 Among all people his wondrous deeds. Everybody singing! **R.**
 Say among the nations the Lord is King. He has made the world firm,
 not to be moved. He governs the people with equity. Everybody singing! **R.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Charlie Daniel

John 13:34-35

[Jesus said,] "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

SERMON

William J. Barber II

By This Love

THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS TO 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. 614

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

I'M GONNA LIVE

GIVING AND RECEIVING OF THE OFFERING

Sharon Stanley-Rea

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

FOR EVERYONE BORN

For Everyone Born
 Ray Valido, piano

The choir will sing the verses. Please join in singing the refrain after each verse.

For everyone born, a place at the table,
 for everyone born, clean water and bread,
 a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
 for everyone born, a star overhead. **R.**

Refrain

And God will de - light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and
 joy, com - pas - sion and peace: yes, God will de - light
 when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice, jus - tice and joy!

For young and for old, a place at the table,
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,
for young and for old, the right to belong. **R.**

For gay and for straight, a place at the table,
a covenant shared, a welcoming space,
a rainbow of race and gender and color,
for gay and for straight, the right to be free. **R.**

For everyone born, a place at the table,
to live without fear, and simply to be,
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
for everyone born, the right to be free. **R.**

✠ DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below:
praise God above, ye heav'nly hosts:
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

No. 47
OLD HUNDREDTH

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Sharon Stanley-Rea

PRAYERS FOR THE BREAD AND CUP

Jane Campbell
Teri Malone

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Sharon Stanley-Rea

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. If you prefer to remain seated, communion will be brought to you.

COMMUNION HYMN

Let Us Break Bread Together
Let us break bread together on our knees;
let us break bread together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

No. 425 (1)
BREAD OF LIFE

COMMUNION MUSIC

Let Us Break Bread Together

African American Spiritual
arr. Richard Haan

THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE

✠ GOING FORTH

God of Grace and God of Glory

No. 464 (1, 2, 3, 5)
CWM RHONDDA

✠ BENEDICTION

Stephen Gentle

POSTLUDE

God of Grace

arr. Paul Manz
(1919-2009)

Following the worship service, pastors and elders are at the back and side doors of the Sanctuary to greet you.
All are invited to the Atrium for coffee and fellowship immediately following the service.

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH FAMILY

Fay Arrington; Richard Bahr; Katie Campbell-Morrison; Douglas Cook; Dorothy Davis; Eddie Franklin; Tracie Foxx; Helen Gray; Constance Jennings; Courtney and Betty Jones; Tawanna Lloyd; Beverly Schacht; Luverna Smith; Esther Tyson; persons in military and civil service around the world.

CAPITAL AREA PRAYER CALENDAR

Bethany Christian Church
Fort Washington, Maryland

GLOBAL MINISTRIES

Marth Mensendiek, Japan

REFLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Daily Prayer: God of the new day, awaken us to know that to be resurrected with Jesus means to die with Christ first. May we recognize you in every moment so that whatever we do, we do for your glory, through Jesus Christ, our way, truth, and life. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Pulpit Guest: The Rev. Dr. William J. Barber II is co-convenor of the Poor People's Campaign. Dr. Barber is a minister of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), and political leader in North Carolina. He is a member of the national board of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and the chair of its Legislative Political Action Committee. Since 2006 he has been president of the NAACP's North Carolina state chapter, the largest in the Southern United States and the second-largest in the country. Dr. Barber has served as pastor of Greenleaf Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), in Goldsboro, North Carolina, since 1993.

Guest Choir - Join us next Sunday at the 11 a.m. worship service for a performance by the First Plymouth Congregational Church Choir, Lincoln, Nebraska, under the direction of Tom Trenney.

Global Day of Solidarity - June 23 is a Call to Action at the National Mall between 7th and 9th Streets at 10 a.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, JUNE 10

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - 9 a.m., Music Suite
Christian Pathways Adult Study - 10 a.m., Atrium
Children's Class - 10 a.m., 3rd Floor Classroom.
Barbara Kelley and Aixa Diaz, leaders
Sanctuary Tour - 12:15 p.m. Meet at the back of the Sanctuary, near the President Garfield Memorial Window, for a special guided tour of National City.
Capital Pride Festival - 12 p.m. - 7 p.m.. Stop by the NCCC booth on Pennsylvania Ave, NW, between 3rd and 7th Streets!
Heritage Signature Choral Concert - 4 p.m., Sanctuary

MONDAY, JUNE 11

Prayer call at 6 a.m. - All are invited to join the weekly conference prayer line for National City. Simply dial 712-775-7031, enter access code 371015. For more information, contact Loretta Tate at 202-489-2020.
Poor People's Campaign Rally - 2 p.m., US Capitol, 1st Street, NE
Potomac Fever Rehearsal - 7 p.m., Music Suite

TUESDAY, JUNE 12

Gospel Choir Rehearsal - 7 p.m., Music Suite
Capital Pride Meeting - 7 p.m., 3rd Floor Conference Room

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13

Toddler Playgroup - 9:30 a.m., Community Room
Food Pantry - 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., Atrium
Martha's Table Outreach - 4:45 p.m.
LGBTQ Bible Study - 7 p.m., Music Suite. Rev. Steven Baines will lead our study on Mark 2:23-3:6.

THURSDAY, JUNE 14

Lambda Squares - 6:30 p.m., Music Suite

FRIDAY, JUNE 15

Music at Midday - FREE! 12:15 p.m., Sanctuary. Juilliard doctoral candidate Colin MacKnight (New York City) will perform a "fantastic" program of organ works featuring fantasies by C. Hubert H. Parry, Percy Whitlock, and David Goode.

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FOR OUR GUESTS

Membership at National City Christian Church - 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

Nursery - Childcare is available during the morning for children through age four. The nursery is in the 2nd Floor Conference Room. Speak with a greeter or any member for directions.

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 202-232-0323 during office hours.