



National City Christian Church

Global Ministries Sunday

October 13, 2019, at 10 a.m.

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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 1 hour and 15 minutes.

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

Worship Leaders: Steven Baines, Kevin Biggins, Jr., Francois-David Ekofo, Melanie Ekofo, Valeria Foster, Stephen Gentle, and Beverly Goines

Guest Preacher: Michael Joseph, Global Ministries Mission Coworker in Colombia

PRELUDE

Adagio in a

Cesar Franck

GATHERING MUSIC

Awesome in This Place

David Billington

You are awesome in this place, Mighty God. You are awesome in this place, Abba Father.

You are worthy of all praise, to you our lives we raise.

You are awesome in this place, Mighty God.

Alabaré

No. 29

David Robeck, percussionist

Estrillo / Refrain



A - la - ba - ré,

a - la - ba - ré.

A - la - ba - ré a mi Se - ñor.

Oh, I will praise,

oh, I will praise;

I'll praise the name of my God.

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✧ OPENING HYMN

No. 668

For the Healing of the Nations

CWM RHONDDA

For the healing of the nations, God, we pray with one accord,
for a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords;
to a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word,
help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us forward into freedom; from despair your world release,
that, redeemed from war and hatred, all may come and go in peace.
Show us how, through care and goodness, fear will die and hope increase,
fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living, let it from the earth be banned;
pride of status, race, or schooling, dogmas that obscure your plan.
In our common quest for justice may we hallow life's brief span,
may we hallow life's brief span.

You, Creator God, have written your great name on humankind;
for our growing in your likeness bring the life of Christ to mind,
that by our response and service earth its destiny may find.
earth its destiny may find

(✧ Please stand as you are able.)

✘ RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Melanie Ekofe

Leader: Eternal God, Creator of all, we thank you that your love and power encompass all things and all people.

People: **There is no part of this earth that does not belong to you. As our Savior and Lord, there are no people beyond your redeeming love.**

Leader: We thank you that all countries are witnesses to your gospel, bearing testimony through their words and actions, to the good news of Jesus Christ.

People: **We thank you for your church in each place, for your Spirit equipping it with gifts and empowering your people to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ.**

Leader: We thank you for Christian partnership across continents and national boundaries, for those who have responded to your call to serve the church in a land that is not their own.

Unison: **Grant that we may be worthy of this great company of saints, ready to witness and serve in the name of our Lord Christ. Amen.**

✘ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Somos Uno en Cristo (We're United in Jesus)

No. 493 (1)

THE COMMUNITY HEARS GOD'S WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stephen Gentle

✘ CALL TO PRAYER

Santo, Santo, Santo
David Robeck, percussionist

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¡San-to, San-to, San-to, mi cor - a - zón te a do - ra! Mi cor - a - zón te
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My heart is glad to
sa - be de - cir: San - to e res Se - ñor.
say the words: You are Ho - ly, Lord.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

Steven Baines

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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 7:1-4

Francois-David Ekofe

When the LORD your God brings you into the land that you are about to enter and occupy, and he clears away many nations before you - the Hittites, the Girgashites, the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations mightier and more numerous than you - and when the LORD your God gives them over to you and you defeat them, then you must utterly destroy them. Make no covenant with them and show them no mercy. Do not intermarry with them, giving your daughters to their sons or taking their daughters for your sons, for that would turn away your children from following me, to serve other gods. Then the anger of the LORD would be kindled against you, and he would destroy you quickly.

Matthew 15:21-28

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

ANTHEM

One Faith, One Hope, One Lord

Craig Courtney

One faith, one hope, one Lord, one church for which he died.
One voice, one song we lift in praise to him who was and is and shall be evermore.
There is one body, one Spirit, as you were called to one hope.
One Lord, baptism and faith, one God and Father of all,
one God and Father of all, one God and Father of all, who is in you all

One faith, one hope, one Lord, one church for which he died.
One voice, one song we lift in praise to him who was and is and shall be evermore.
Though we be many people, diverse with various gifts,
we are given to each other for the unity of faith,
that we grow in the knowledge of the Son of God, in the fullness of Christ.

One faith, one hope, one Lord, one church for which he died.
One voice, one song we lift in praise to him who was and is and shall be evermore.
One faith, one hope, one Lord, one God!

SERMON

Encountering the Enemy

Michael Joseph

THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS TO GOD'S GRACE

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

✠ HYMN OF COMMITMENT

O for a World

No. 683

AZMON

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Beverly Goines

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Let's Praise the Lord
David Robeck, percussionist

Judith Christie-McAllister

From the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, the name of the Lord is to be praised.
From the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, the name of the Lord is to be praised.

Everybody ought to praise him in the sanctuary, praise him in the firmament,
praise him for his mighty acts, praise him according to his excellent greatness.
Come on and praise him, praise, praise him. Let's praise the Lord!

Alábalo, alábalo, alábalo, alábalo, alabemos al Señor.
Alábalo, alabaré, alábalo, alabemos al Señor!

✠ DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Stephen Gentle

PRAYERS FOR THE BREAD AND CUP

Charles Hickman
Terri Malone

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

This table is for all believers in Jesus Christ. Please come forward by the center aisle. When receiving communion, take the bread and dip it into the cup. Return to your seat by the outside aisle. Gluten-free communion wafers are available in the smaller silver tray.

If for any reason you would prefer to remain seated, please do so and communion will be brought to you.

THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE

✠ HYMN OF GOING FORTH

As You Go, Tell the World

arr. Valeria Foster

As you go, tell the world; as you go, tell the world;
Tell the world about Jesus; tell them about His love.
Tell the world about Jesus; tell them about His love.
repeat
As you go, tell the world.

✠ BENEDICTION

Michael Joseph

All are invited to the back of the Sanctuary for coffee and fellowship.

POSTLUDE

D Major Postlude

arr. Michael Ryan

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH FAMILY

Douglas and Chieko Cook; Dorothy Davis; Kelsey Goodman; Eddie Franklin; Constance Jennings; Cyril Jones; Barbara Kelley; Jim King; Tawanna Lloyd; Harold Magnussen; Drusilla McCain; Sarah Rose; Beverly Schacht; Steve Selde; Sylvia Snyder; Kathleen Swihart; Esther Tyson; John Foster Woods; Beverly Williams; military and civil service persons around the world; and victims of disasters.

CAPITAL AREA PRAYER CALENDAR

Rockville Nursing Home
Rockville, Maryland

GLOBAL MINISTRIES

Paul Turner
Democratic Republic of Congo

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Daily Prayer: Help me, O God, to seek out your will as I enjoy the good today and suffer through the bad. Prove me, O God, and try me, so that I can learn the steps I need to take to follow your ways.

Memorial Service for Bill Eldred will be held at National City on Saturday, October 16 at 1 p.m..

Pulpit Guest: Reverend Dr. Michael Joseph is Mission Co-worker with the Peace Commission of the Evangelical Council of Colombia. Working with Justapaz, the Mennonite Center for Justice, Peace and Nonviolent Action. Many different denominations come together to meet the needs of the communities they serve in the midst of violent conflict. As the national coordinator of Cafepaz he studies the intersection of Christianity, war and peace-building in Colombia. His appointment is made possible by your gifts to Disciples Mission Fund.

Special Guests: National City welcomes Reverend Dr. Francois-David ("Franck") and Melanie Ekofo of the Community of Disciples of Christ in Congo. Dr. Ekofo has over 30 years of ministry and has been described as courageous, prophetic, and pastoral — one who has committed his life to challenging structures that keep oppressed people on the margins, the most vulnerable in society.

Food Pantry Needs - Please help us fill up our shelves by dropping off as much of the following in our collection basket in the Atrium as you can: **Applesauce / fruit cups; tuna pouches / pop-top cans; granola bars; cookies; rice krispies treats; peanut butter crackers; cereal bowls; and water bottles / pouches.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - 9 a.m., Music Suite
Christian Pathways Class - 9 a.m., Atrium.
Children's Sunday School - 9 a.m., 2nd Floor. Gina Ramirez, teacher
Sanctuary Tour - 11:15 a.m. Meet in the back of the Sanctuary, near President Garfield Memorial Window, for a special guided tour.
Global Ministries Brunch - 11:30 a.m., Howland Center

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14- NCCC OFFICES CLOSED

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

National Children's Chorus - 3 p.m., Atrium, Music Suite, Community Room, Howland Center
Gay Men's Chorus - 7 p.m., Sanctuary, Howland Center
ANC2f Meeting - 6 p.m., 3rd Floor Conference Room
Gospel Choir Rehearsal - 7 p.m., Music Suite

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

Toddler Playgroup - 9:30 a.m., Community Room
Food Pantry - 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., Atrium
Fortissima Singers - 7 p.m., Music Suite

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

Domestic Violence Awareness Month Open House 9 a.m., Community Room, Howland Center
Lambda Squares - 6:30 p.m., Music Suite
ANC 2F Meeting - 7 p.m., Community Room

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

Music at Midday - Free! 12:15 p.m., Sanctuary. Visiting French organist **Emmanuel Duperrey** will perform music to delight, some very familiar and some a bit less so, including works of Georg Friedrich Handel, John Williams, Hans-André Stamm, and Naji Hakim.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

Prayer call at 8 a.m. - Join the weekly prayer call. Simply dial 712-775-7031, enter code 371015. For information, contact Loretta Tate at 202-489-2020.
Salt and Light Leadership in Ministry Conference - 9 a.m.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - 9 a.m., Music Suite
Regional Minister Alan Harris Preaching at Worship - 10 a.m., Sanctuary

Tithe.ly Mobile Giving - National City is now on the **Tithe.ly app**. Just search for "National City," complete a quick one-time setup, then all it takes is 3 clicks to give! **Thank you for your generosity!**

FOR OUR GUESTS

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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. Associate or student memberships are available as well. 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.