



# National City Christian Church

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 20, 2017, at 8:30 a.m.

5 Thomas Circle, NW, Washington, DC 20005

202-232-0323

www.nationalcitycc.org

**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. Thank you for joining us in worship. Please fill out the Connect with Us card, and place it in the offering tray.

## THE COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

Worship Leaders: Beverly Goines, Valeria Foster, and C.J. Rodriguez

Preacher: Michael McMahon, Minister of Music

CALL TO WORSHIP

Beverly Goines

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.

*O Magnify the Lord*

Traditional

O magnify the Lord, for he is worthy to be praised!  
O magnify the Lord, for he is worthy to be praised!  
Hosanna! Blessed be the rock; blessed be the rock of my salvation!  
Hosanna! Blessed be the rock; blessed be the rock of my salvation!  
(repeat)

✠ OPENING HYMN

*O for a World*

No. 683 (1-3, 5)

O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways,  
where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise.

O for a world where goods are shared and misery relieved,  
where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved.

We welcome one world family and struggle with each choice  
that opens us to unity and gives our vision voice.

O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace,  
where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

✠ RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

C.J. Rodriguez

Leader: When we have been left out,

**People: God has included us.**

Leader: When we have been forgotten,

**People: God has remembered us.**

Leader: Having heard the invitation from God, we enter into worship this day.

**People: Knowing that in Christ Jesus, we are forgiven, renewed and restored.**

Leader: Come let us worship the God of Love,

**People: Who loves us so much he sent his only son, who taught us to love one another.**

(✠ Please stand as you are able.)

✘ SONG OF THANKSGIVING

*In the Beauty of Holiness*

Nettie Sawyer Lester

refrain:

Worship him. Worship him  
Give my God the glory. Give my God the praise.  
Worship him. Worship him.  
Come let us worship the Lord; let's give him the praise

✘ MOMENT OF FRIENDSHIP, WELCOME OF VISITORS

Beverly Goines

CALL TO PRAYER

*Healer of Our Ev'ry Ill*

No. 506

PASTORAL PRAYER

C.J. Rodriguez

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.

CHORAL & CONGREGATIONAL PRAISE

*Victory Chant*

Joseph Vogels

Leader:

Hail, Jesus, you're my King.  
Your life frees me to sing.  
I will praise you all my days.  
You're perfect in all your ways.  
  
Hail, Jesus, you're my Lord.  
I will obey your Word.  
I want to see your Kingdom come.  
Not my will, but yours be done.  
  
Glory, glory to the Lamb.  
You take me into the land.  
We will conquer in your name,  
And proclaim that Jesus reigns.  
  
Hail, hail, Lion of Judah.  
How wonderful you are.  
Hail, hail, Lion of Judah.  
How powerful you are.  
  
How wonderful you are.  
How powerful you are.

People:

**HAIL, JESUS, YOU'RE MY KING.  
YOUR LIFE FREES ME TO SING.  
I WILL PRAISE YOU ALL MY DAYS.  
PERFECT IN ALL YOUR WAYS.**  
  
**HAIL, JESUS, YOU'RE MY LORD.  
I WILL OBEY YOUR WORD.  
I WANT TO SEE YOUR KINGDOM COME.  
NOT MY WILL, BUT YOURS BE DONE.**  
  
**GLORY, GLORY TO THE LAMB.  
YOU TAKE ME INTO THE LAND.  
WE WILL CONQUER IN YOUR NAME,  
AND PROCLAIM THAT JESUS REIGNS.**  
  
**HAIL, HAIL, LION OF JUDAH.  
HOW WONDERFUL YOU ARE.  
HAIL, HAIL, LION OF JUDAH.  
HOW POWERFUL YOU ARE.**  
  
**HOW WONDERFUL YOU ARE!  
HOW POWERFUL YOU ARE!**

## THE COMMUNITY HEARS GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

C.J. Rodriguez

*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.

HYMN OF PREPARATION

*Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

No. 589

SERMON

*Mother of the Year*

Michael McMahon

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

*My Hope Is Built*

No. 537 (1-3)

## THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS TO GOD'S GRACE

INVITATION TO COMMUNION AND OFFERING

Beverly Goines

PRAYERS FOR THE BREAD AND CUP

Mary Paradise  
Loretta Tate

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Beverly Goines

### SHARING AND RECEIVING OF GIFTS

The Lord's Supper is for all believers in Christ Jesus. Please come forward down the center aisle as directed by the Deacons. Baskets are available at the front for your offering and "Connect With Us" cards. When receiving communion, take a piece of bread or wafer, dip it into the cup, and partake. After you have received the Lord's Supper, please return to your seat by the side aisle.

COMMUNION HYMN

*We Remember You*

Walt Harrah

We remember you, we remember you;  
by your sacrifice of love all glory now is due.  
At this table here mercy hovers near.

Thanks is offered up; in this bread and cup we remember you.

Precious, risen Lamb, Jesus who was slain,  
now enthroned in glory, forever you will reign.  
Gladly we embrace both these signs of grace.

Thanks is offered up in this bread and cup we remember you.

## THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE

✘ BENEDICTION

Michael McMahon

✘ CLOSING HYMN

*Jesus Is the Answer*

Andraè Crouch

Jesus is the answer for the world today.  
Above him there's no other. Jesus is the way.  
Jesus is the answer for the world today.  
Above him there's no other. Jesus is the way!  
(repeat)

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 fellowship immediately following the service.

## CAPITAL AREA PRAYER CALENDAR

Bethany Beach Christian Church  
Bethany Beach, Delaware

## GLOBAL MINISTRIES PRAYER CONCERNS

Ricardo Mayol, Guatemala

## PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH FAMILY

Willie Alexander; Fay Arrington; Steven Baines;  
Katie Campbell-Morrison; Ann Cappiello; Dorothy Davis;  
Eddie Franklin; Sue Frost; Helen Gray;  
Constance Jennings; Courtney & Betty Jones; Bill Knight;  
Shirley Kruse; Tawanna Lloyd; Kenneth Lowenberg;  
Robin Schacht; Lilly Stewart; Jessica Sylvester;  
persons in military and civil service around the world.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**In Sympathy** - Please surround Kathleen Swihart and her family with your prayerful support and encouragement, her brother Glen Davis passed away on August 15.

**Dr. Gentle** is away on vacation and will return to the pulpit on Sunday, September 3

**Greeters Needed** - Greeters are needed for the 11 a.m. worship services for the remainder of the year. If you are interested in being a Greeter, please contact Sadye Sanders at [sadye@verizon.net](mailto:sadye@verizon.net) with the Sundays you will be available to serve, and if you prefer serving at the main entry or the Atrium door. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet and become familiar with your National City family.

**Community Service Hours Opportunity** - Young people looking for service hours can help out at the Food Pantry on Wednesdays. Please contact Laurese Dancy at [firerudy4@hotmail.com](mailto:firerudy4@hotmail.com)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 20**

**Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal** - 9:30 a.m., Music Suite.  
**Christian Pathways** - 10 a.m., Community Room.  
**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.  
**LGBTQ Community Brunch** - after the 11 a.m. service, at Nage, 1600 Rhode Island Ave.

### **MONDAY, AUGUST 21**

**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.

### **TUESDAY, AUGUST 22**

**DCCADV Meeting** - 12 p.m., Community Room  
**Capital Pride Meeting** - 7 p.m., 3rd Floor Conference Room

### **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23**

**Toddler Playgroup** - 9:30 a.m., Community Room  
**Food Pantry** - 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., Atrium

### **THURSDAY, AUGUST 24**

**DCCADV Meeting** - 9 a.m., Community Room  
**DC Lambda Squares** - 6:30 p.m., Scott Hall

### **FRIDAY, AUGUST 25**

**Bible Study in Spanish** - 7 p.m., Atrium

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 27**

**Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal** - 9:30 a.m., Music Suite. We would gladly welcome members on a temporary basis between now and Labor Day, whether you just want to try it out or make a limited commitment. Contact Dr. J. Michael McMahon at [mmcmahon@nationalcitycc.org](mailto:mmcmahon@nationalcitycc.org).

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## FOR OUR GUESTS

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

**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](mailto:sgentle@nationalcitycc.org)

**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.

**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.

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