

June 21, 2020 11:00 a.m.

Prelude

Trumpet Tune

A. Miller

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECOGNITION OF PASTOR TIFFANY

Darren Cushman Wood

Garland Graves and Lydia Shaw

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: How shall we describe the concept of the Trinity?
People: In the first "person" we find God the Creator.
Leader: In the second "person" we discover Jesus the Redeemer.
People: In the third "person" we greet the Holy Spirit, the Guardian and Guide.
Leader: There are so many ways to describe the work and witness of God.
People: The Trinity helps us to understand the nature of God. AMEN.

OPENING HYMN #710

Faith of Our Fathers

Faith of our fathers, living still, in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword; O how our hearts beat high with joy whene'er we hear that glorious word!

Refrain:

Faith of our fathers, holy faith! We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers, we will strive to win all nations unto thee; and through the truth that comes from God, we all shall then be truly free. [Refrain]

Faith of our fathers, we will love both friend and foe in all our strife; and preach thee, too, as love knows how by kindly words and virtuous life. [Refrain]

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Garland Graves

Blessed Lord, who caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen. FIRST LESSON

Romans 6:1b-11

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Solo

Hymn Medley

arr. S. Potts Mark Gilgallon, soloist; Steven Potts, piano

We need a faith so colorblind, so free from timeworn lies, that when we look from face to face we see the eyes of God.

Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us; teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace. Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe we are ourselves accepted and meant to live and love.

How can I say that I love the Lord whom I've never, ever seen before; and forget to say that I love the one whom I walk beside each and ev'ry day? How can I look upon your face and ignore God's love? You I must embrace! You're my brother, you're my sister; and I love you with the love of my Lord.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE Psalm 17:1-7, 15 Leader: Hear a just cause, O Lord; attend to my cry; People: give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit. Leader: From you let my vindication come; People: let your eyes see the right. Leader: If you try my heart, if you visit me by night, People: if you test me, you will find no wickedness in me; my mouth does not transgress. Leader: As for what others do: I have avoided the ways of the violent by following your word. People: My steps have held fast to your paths; my feet have not slipped. Leader: I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God; People: incline your ear to me, hear my words. Leader: Wondrously show your steadfast love, O savior of those who seek refuge from their adversaries at your right hand. People: As for me, I shall behold your face in righteousness; when I awake I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness. HYMN OF PRAYER #2193

Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION Leader: God, in your mercy, People: hear our prayer.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

DOXOLOGY #94 (PLEASE STAND)

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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!

SECOND LESSON

Genesis 21:8-21

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, 'Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.' The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, 'Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named after you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.' So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, 'Do not let me look on the death of the child.' And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, 'What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.' Then God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Father Figure **Tiffany Williams-Fashimpaur** HYMN OF DEDICATION #557 Blest Be the Tie That Binds Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above. When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain; but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again. CHARGE AND BLESSING FOR PASTOR TIFFANY BENEDICTION Go Ye Now in Peace J. Eilers Mark Gilgallon, soloist; Steven Potts, piano Go ye now in peace, and know that the love of God will guide you. Feel His presence here beside you showing you the way. In your time of trouble, when hurt and despair are there to grieve you, know that the Lord will never leave you. He will bring you courage. Know that the God who sent His Son to die that you might live will never leave you lost and alone in His beloved world. Go ye now in peace.

POSTLUDE

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

arr. M. Wolniakowski

The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God by North Church in celebration of the ministry of Pastor Tiffany this last year.

This week's worship leaders:

Darren Cushman Wood Senior Pastor Tiffany Williams-Fashimpaur Pastor of Mission & Outreach Heather Hinton Organist John Hague & Jeff Linnan Audio Visual Garland Graves SPRC Chair Lydia Shaw Mission & Outreach Representative Upcoming Worship Services on Sunday, June 28 8:30 a.m. in person service Register to attend by emailing JHarrington@NorthChurchIndy.com or calling (317) 536-0789. The deadline to register is noon each Friday.

11am via Livestream

Youth Group, Sundays, 4-5pm via Zoom For more information, email coryunthank@northchurchindy.com

Book Study on Lysa TerKeurst's "It's Not Supposed to Be This Way: Finding Unexpected Strength When Disappointments Leave You Shattered" Wednesdays in June from 6:30-8pm via Zoom For more information and link, email asell@northchurchindy.com