

July 26, 2020 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE The God of Abraham Praise arr. Michael Burkhardt (Leoni)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Darren Cushman Wood

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: For the goodness of creation,

People: praise the Lord.

Leader: For the gift of salvation,

People: praise the Lord.

Leader: For the glory of heaven,

People: praise the Lord.

OPENING HYMN #702

Sing with All the Saints in Glory

Sing with all the saints in glory, sing the resurrection song!

Death and sorrow, earth's dark story, to the former days belong.

All around the clouds are breaking, soon the storms of time shall cease; in God's likeness we, awaking, know the everlasting peace.

Life eternal! heav'n rejoices: Jesus lives, who once was dead.
Join we now the deathless voices; child of God, lift up your head!
Patr'archs from the distant ages, saints all longing for their heav'n, prophets, psalmists, seers, and sages, all await the glory giv'n.

Prayer for Illumination Kathleen Custer

God of endless mercy, as the scriptures are read enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we might see the living hope of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. FIRST LESSON Job 19: 25-27

I know that my Redeemer lives,

and at the end will stand on this earth.

My flesh may be destroyed,

yet from this body I will see God.

Yes, I will see God for myself,

and I long for that moment.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Musical Offering The Lord's Prayer

A. Malotte Ellen Rogers, harp

CANTICLE OF PRAISE Psalm 16

Leader: Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

People: I say to the Lord, 'You are my Lord;

I have no good apart from you.'

Leader: As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble,

in whom is all my delight.

Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows;

their drink-offerings of blood I will not pour out

or take their names upon my lips.

People: The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup;

you hold my lot.

The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;

I have a goodly heritage.

Leader: I bless the Lord who gives me counsel;

in the night also my heart instructs me.

People: I keep the Lord always before me;

because God is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Leader: Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices;

my body also rests secure.

People: For you do not give me up to Sheol,

or let your faithful one see the Pit.

Leader: You show me the path of life.

In your presence there is fullness of joy;

People: in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

HYMN OF PRAYER #723

Shall We Gather at the River

Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river; gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease; soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. [Refrain]

Prayers of Intercession Sunil Kotian

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

1 Peter 1:3-7

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By God's great mercy we have been given a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Forgotten Letters of the Bible: First Peter

Darren Cushman Wood

HYMN OF DEDICATION #701

When We All Get to Heaven

Sing the wondrous song of Jesus; sing his mercy and his grace. In the mansions bright and blessed he'll prepare for us a place.

> When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be! When we all see Jesus, we'll sing and shout the victory!

Onward to the prize before us! Soon his beauty we'll behold; soon the pearly gates will open; we shall tread the streets of gold. [Refrain]

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Now Thank We All Our God (from Cantata #79)

Prayer requests can be sent to prayers@northchurchindy.com

The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God and in celebration of Joan Lafuze's 83rd birthday on July 31st, as well as in memory of Ralph Lafuze who would have turned 88 on the same day.

Additional flowers are in celebration of the wedding of Carol and Dick Tiller-Luchtman on July 25, 2020.

This week's worship leaders:

Darren Cushman Wood Senior Pastor Sunil Kotian Pastoral Intern John Hague & Dick Tiller-Luchtman Audio Visual Kathleen Custer Liturgist Ellen Rogers Harpist **Emma and Maddie Rogers** Song Leaders Robert A. Schilling Organist North's Minister of Worship and the Arts, 1961-2002

Upcoming Worship Service on Sunday, August 2 11 a.m. via Livestream

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

A Study on John Wesley, using "John Wesley: Holiness of Heart & Life" by Charles Yrigoyen, Jr. Mondays in July from 6:30-8pm via Zoom. For more information and Zoom link, email asell@northchurchindy.com

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