



August 30, 2020

PRELUDE

*Notturmo*

E. Mayer  
Kathy Schilling, violinist

WELCOME

Darren Cushman Wood

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Diane Gattone

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O God, Trinity of Love, open our eyes

**People: to see your beauty in one another.**

Leader: Open our ears

**People: to hear your truth in one another.**

Leader: Open our hearts

**People: to receive your love from one another.**

Leader: Open our lips

**People: to sing your praises with one another.**

OPENING HYMN #547

*O Church of God, United*

***O church of God, united to serve one common Lord,  
proclaim to all one message, with hearts in glad accord.***

***Christ ever goes before us; we follow day by day  
with strong and eager footsteps along the upward way.***

***Though creeds and tongues may differ, they speak, O Christ, of thee;  
and in thy loving spirit we shall one people be.***

***Lord, may our faithful service and singleness of aim  
proclaim to all the power of thy redeeming name.***

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Amber Denney

**Spirit of truth,  
as the scriptures are read,  
reform our habits,  
reshape our minds,  
and revive our spirits  
with the life of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Leviticus 4:22-26

When a leader sins unintentionally and does what is forbidden in any of the commands of the Lord their God, when they realize their guilt and the sin they committed becomes known, they must bring as an offering a male goat without defect. They are to lay their hands on the goat's head and slaughter it at the place where the burnt offering is slaughtered before the Lord. It is a sin offering. Then the priest shall take some of the blood of the sin offering with his finger and put it on the horns of the altar of burnt offering and pour out the rest of the blood at the base of the altar. He shall burn all the fat on the altar as he burned the fat of the fellowship offering. In this way the priest will make atonement for the leader's sin, and they will be forgiven.

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SOLO

*Allegro non troppo*  
from *Sonata in G Major*

F.S. Kelly  
Kathy Schilling, violinist

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Psalm 25

Leader: O Lord, I give my life to you. I trust in you, my God!

Do not let me be disgraced, or let my enemies rejoice in my defeat.

**People: No one who trusts in you will ever be disgraced,  
but disgrace comes to those who try to deceive others.**

Leader: Show me the right path, O Lord;  
point out the road for me to follow.

**People: Lead me by your truth and teach me,  
for you are the God who saves me.  
All day long I put my hope in you.**

Leader: Remember, O Lord, your compassion and unfailing love,  
which you have shown from long ages past.

**People: Do not remember the rebellious sins of my youth.  
Remember me in the light of your unfailing love,  
for you are merciful, O Lord.**

Leader: The Lord is good and does what is right;  
God shows the proper path to those who go astray.

**People: The Lord leads the humble in doing right,  
teaching them God's way.  
The Lord leads with unfailing love and faithfulness  
all who keep the covenant and obey God's demands.**

Leader: For the honor of your name, O Lord,  
forgive my many, many sins.  
Who are those who fear the Lord?  
God will show them the path they should choose.

**People: They will live in prosperity,  
and their children will inherit the land.**

Leader: The Lord is a friend to those who fear him,  
and teaches them the covenant.

**People: My eyes are always on the Lord,  
for God rescues me from the traps of my enemies.**

Leader: Turn to me and have mercy,  
for I am alone and in deep distress.

**People: My problems go from bad to worse.  
Oh, save me from them all!**

**Feel my pain and see my trouble.**

**Forgive all my sins.**

Leader: See how many enemies I have  
and how viciously they hate me!

**People: Protect me! Rescue my life from them!**

**Do not let me be disgraced, for in you I take refuge.**

Leader: May integrity and honesty protect me,  
for I put my hope in you.

**People: O God, ransom Israel from all its troubles.**

HYMN OF PRAYER #430

*O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*

***O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free;  
tell me thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.***

***Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love;  
teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.***

***In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broad'ning way,  
in peace that only thou canst give, with thee, O Master, let me live.***

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

Jude 3-4, 17-23

Dear friends, although I was very eager to write to you about the salvation we share, I felt compelled to write and urge you to contend for the faith that was once for all entrusted to God's holy people. For certain

individuals whose condemnation was written about long ago have secretly slipped in among you. They are ungodly people, who pervert the grace of our God into a license for immorality and deny Jesus Christ our only Sovereign and Lord.

But, dear friends, remember what the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ foretold. They said to you, “In the last times there will be scoffers who will follow their own ungodly desires.” These are the people who divide you, who follow mere natural instincts and do not have the Spirit.

But you, dear friends, by building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in God’s love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life.

Be merciful to those who doubt; save others by snatching them from the fire; to others show mercy, mixed with fear of God—hating even the clothing stained by corrupted flesh.

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*The Forgotten Letters of the Bible: Jude*

Darren Cushman Wood

HYMN OF DEDICATION #396

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*

***O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;  
be thou forever near me, my Master and my Friend.  
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.***

***O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee  
that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be.  
And Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;  
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.***

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*A Joyous Recessional*

M. Corl

Prayer requests can be sent to [prayers@northchurchindy.com](mailto:prayers@northchurchindy.com).

**This week’s worship leaders:**

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*Organist*

Jeff and Kelley Warbinton

*Song Leaders*

Kathy Schilling

*Violinist*

Upcoming Worship Services:

Sunday, Sept. 6 at 11 a.m. **via Livestream**

Parking Lot Vesper Services

Sundays, September 13, 20 & 27 at 6:00 p.m.

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Deadline: September 7

Fall Small Groups Forming

7-week study to follow sermon series

Beginning virtually the week of Sept. 13

Groups meeting various days and times

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