



NORTH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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November 22, 2020

GATHERING

Heather Hinton

GREETING

Darren Cushman Wood

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

We Gather Together

arr. M. Corl

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: For the goodness of creation,

People: Hallelujah!

Leader: For the gift of redemption,

People: Hallelujah!

Leader: For the glory of heaven,

People: Hallelujah!

OPENING HYMN #694

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

***Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home;
all is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin.***

***God our Maker doth provide for our wants to be supplied;
come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.***

***All the world is God's own field, fruit as praise to God we yield;
wheat and tares together sown are to joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.***

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

John Drake

In every time and place, O God,

send forth your Spirit to instruct your people,

that the scriptures may come alive as they are

read and sung, contemplated and studied,

in thanksgiving for what you have done for us in Jesus Christ. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 8:7-18

For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and

pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that God has given you.

Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep God's commandments, ordinances, and statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid waste-land with poisonous snakes and scorpions. God made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth.' But remember the Lord your God, for it is God who gives you power to get wealth and confirm the covenant that was sworn to your ancestors, as God is doing today.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SOLO

Bruyères
from *24 Preludes, Book 2*

C. Debussy
Virginia Melin, piano

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Psalm 65

Sunil Kotian

Leader: What mighty praise, O God, belongs to you in Zion.

**People: We will fulfill our vows to you,
for you answer our prayers.
All humankind comes to you.**

Leader: Though we are overwhelmed by our sins,
you forgive them all.

**People: What joy for those you choose to bring near,
those who live in your holy courts.
What festivities await us
inside your holy Temple.**

Leader: You faithfully answer our prayers with awesome deeds,
O God our Savior.

**People: You are the hope of everyone on earth,
even those who sail on distant seas.**

Leader: You formed the mountains by your power
and armed yourself with mighty strength.

**People: You quieted the raging oceans with their pounding waves
and silenced the shouting of the nations.**

Leader: Those who live at the ends of the earth
stand in awe of your wonders.

**People: From where the sun rises to where it sets,
you inspire shouts of joy.**

Leader: You take care of the earth and water it,
making it rich and fertile.

**People: The river of God has plenty of water;
it provides a bountiful harvest of grain,
for you have ordered it so.**

Leader: You drench the plowed ground with rain,

melting the clods and leveling the ridges.

**People: You soften the earth with showers
and bless its abundant crops.**

Leader: You crown the year with a bountiful harvest;
even the hard pathways overflow with abundance.

**People: The grasslands of the wilderness become a lush pasture,
and the hillsides blossom with joy.**

Leader: The meadows are clothed with flocks of sheep,
and the valleys are carpeted with grain.

People: They all shout and sing for joy!

HYMN OF PRAYER #102

Now Thank We All Our God

***Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.***

***O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us still in grace, and guide us when perplexed;
and free us from all ills, in this world and the next.***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sunil Kotian

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

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!***

UPDATE ON STEWARDSHIP

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Grateful Tenth

Darren Cushman Wood

HYMN OF DEDICATION #92

For the Beauty of the Earth

***For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies;
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.***

***For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild;
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.***

***For thyself, best Gift Divine, to the world so freely given,
for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth, and joy in heav'n:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.***

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Let All Things Now Living

arr. M. Sedio

*The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God and in loving memory of
Rev. Jon B. Walters, former staff member of North Church for 12 years, Mary Glynn Walters
who passed away in January of 2020 and in honor of Dr. Joseph Mamlin who shared a birthday
with Jon - November 17th, given by the family of Jon and Mary Glynn.*

This week's worship leaders:

Darren Cushman Wood, *Senior Pastor*
John Hague & Jack Haefling, *Audio Visual*
Heather Hinton, *Organist*
Sunil Kotian, *Pastoral Intern*
John Drake, *Liturgist*
Virginia Melin, *Pianist*
Greg & Rosie Jordan, *Song Leaders*

Daily Living in the COVID Era: Mental Health
is now available on the North website in Livestreaming.

4-Week Virtual Advent Studies

Sundays, 9:45-10:45am beginning Nov. 29
"Peace, Justice, Joy, and Salvation: An Advent Study"
To register, email: asell@northchurchindy.com

Tuesdays, 6:30-8pm beginning Dec. 1
"Advent: The Weary World Rejoices"
To register, email: skotian1@cts.edu