



## May 15, 2022 - Livestream

GATHERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Darren Cushman Wood

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

*Canon in D*

J. Pachabel/arr. H. Hopson  
Cathedral Ringers  
Kelley & Jeff Warbinton, directors

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Grace and peace to you, for Christ has risen,  
Christ has claimed us, and Christ will set us free. Alleluia!

**People: Praise the Lord Jesus,  
the faithful witness, the first born of the dead, the living Lord.**

\*OPENING HYMN

*Hail the Days of Resurrection*

***When our faith is tried and tested by the evils that oppress;  
When our hope is stretched to breaking by the fears that we confess.  
Lift our heads to see your goodness that secures our liberty.  
Hail the days of resurrection! Christ has claimed the victory!***

***Faithful servants gather round us, bearing witness to God's might;  
Showing us the way of courage, shining the eternal light;  
Lead us with the hope of Jesus, Savior of our history.  
Hail the days of resurrection! Christ has claimed the victory!***

***River flowing, life bestowing, people singing, tears are dried;  
Leaves of healing for the nations, gates of grace are open wide.  
Jesus lifts us to the city that reveals hope's mystery.  
Hail the day of resurrection! Christ has claimed the victory!***

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lela Russell

FIRST LESSON

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

<sup>21:10</sup>And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

<sup>22</sup>I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup>And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup>The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. <sup>25</sup>Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup>People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup>But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

22:1 Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup>through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup>Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; <sup>4</sup>they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup>And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

*I Got Me Flowers*

D. Burton  
Chancel Quartet

I got me flowers to strew thy way, I got me boughs of many a tree,  
but thou wast up by break of day, and brought'st thy sweets along with thee.  
The sun arising in the east, (Alleluia) though he give light the earth perfume,  
if they should offer to contest with thy arising, they presume.  
Can there be any day but this, though many suns to shine endeavor?  
We count three hundred, but we miss; there is but one, and that one ever.  
Alleluia!

\*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Psalm 67

Leader: O God, be gracious to us and bless us  
and make your face to shine upon us,

**People: that your way may be known upon earth,  
your saving power among all nations.**

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

**People: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide the nations upon earth.**

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you!

**People: The earth has yielded its increase;  
God, our God, has blessed us.**

Leader: God has blessed us;

**People: let all the ends of the earth fear God!**

HYMN OF PRAYER #128

*He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought*

v. 1-2

***He leadeth me: O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught!  
Whate'er I do, where'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.***

***Refrain: He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me;  
his faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.***

***Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,  
by waters still, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis his hand that leadeth me. [Refrain]***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Amy Sell

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

**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.**

Hymn #128

*He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought*

v. 3-4

***Lord, I would place my hand in thine, nor ever murmur nor repine;  
content, whatever lot I see, since 'tis my God that leadeth me.***

***Refrain: He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me;  
his faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.***

***And when my task on earth is done, when by thy grace the victory's won,  
e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me. [Refrain]***

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Rondo Passacaglia*

C. Dobrinski  
Cathedral Ringers

\*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!***

SECOND LESSON

Acts 16:6-15

<sup>6</sup>They went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia. <sup>7</sup>When they had come opposite Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them; <sup>8</sup>so, passing by Mysia, they went down to Troas. <sup>9</sup>During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' <sup>10</sup>When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

<sup>11</sup>We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup>and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. <sup>13</sup>On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. <sup>14</sup>A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup>When she and her household were

baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.'  
And she prevailed upon us.

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*Orbitz of the Spirit*

Darren Cushman Wood

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION #2241

*The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve*

***The Spirit sends us forth to serve; we go in Jesus' name  
to bring glad tidings to the poor, God's favor to proclaim.***

***We go to comfort those who mourn and set the burdened free;  
where hope is dim, to share a dream and help the blind to see.***

***We go to be the hands of Christ, to scatter joy like seed  
and, all our days, to cherish life, to do the loving deed.***

***Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim.  
God's Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus' name.***

\*THE CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise*

arr. S. Lole

This week's worship leaders:

Darren Cushman Wood

*Senior Pastor*

Amy Sell

*Minister of Discipleship & Formation*

Lela Russell

*Liturgist*

John Hague, James Horton & Eric Russell

*Audio Visual*

Heather Hinton

*Organist*

Mark Gilgallon

*Director of Music*

Upcoming Events

- Sunday, May 22, both services: Premiere of two original anthems for the North Church Series on Theology and Contemporary Issues in honor of Rev. Richard and Anna Lee Hamilton.
- Sunday, May 22: North Green Team Plant Exchange, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Sunday, June 5: End-of-the-Year Family Picnic, 12-3 p.m.
- Saturday, June 11: Indy Pride Festival.
- Sunday, June 12: North Green Team Book Exchange, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Tuesday Nights Together, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Sign-ups

To sign up for the May 22 lunch after 2<sup>nd</sup> service, please email [events@northchurchindy.com](mailto:events@northchurchindy.com) or call Jennifer in the church office @ 317-924-2612. Deadline to RSVP is tomorrow, Monday, May 16.

Indy Pride Festival, June 11

To sign up as a Parade Participant or Festival Booth Volunteer, email [asell@northchurchindy.com](mailto:asell@northchurchindy.com)

End of the Year Family Picnic, June 5, 12-3pm

Email [asell@northchurchindy.com](mailto:asell@northchurchindy.com) with the number of people attending.