



July 17, 2022 – Livestream
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunil Kotian

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

R. Hebble

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Insiders and outcasts,
Friends and foes,
Disciples and disputers
In the name of Jesus,

People: welcome to the house of peace.

Leader: Searchers and strangers,
Skeptics and sinners,
Dreamers and doubters,
In the name of Jesus,

People: welcome to the home of grace.

*OPENING HYMN #103

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

***Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.***

***Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.***

***To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.***

***Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light;
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render: O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.***

**God of mysteries and wonders, we come with
open hearts to accept your assurance,
open minds to receive your wisdom,
and open hands to do your will.
By the inspiration of your Holy Spirit
reveal your vision of hope
in scripture, sermon, and song.
Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Amos 8:1-7

This is what the Lord God showed me—a basket of summer fruit. ²God said, ‘Amos, what do you see?’ And I said, ‘A basket of summer fruit.’ Then the Lord said to me, ‘The end has come upon my people Israel; I will never again pass them by. ³The songs of the temple shall become wailings on that day,’ says the Lord God; ‘the dead bodies shall be many, cast out in every place. Be silent!’ ⁴Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, ⁵saying, ‘When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, ⁶buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat.’ ⁷The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Enter His Gates with Songs of Thanksgiving

R. Clatterbuck

Chancel Quartet/Summer Choir

Enter his gates with songs of thanksgiving; enter his courts with tributes of praise.

Give to God blessing and honor; he is our maker, the Ancient of Days.

Make a joyful noise, to the Lord, all you people; make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Serve God with gladness, come before God with singing. Know he is God, our Creator is he.

Refrain

Make a joyful noise, to the Lord, all you people; make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

We are his people, and the sheep of his pastures, it is he who has made us, and not ourselves.

Refrain

Alleluia! Give to God glory and praise!

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Psalm 15

Leader: Who may worship in your sanctuary, Lord?

People: Who may enter your presence on your holy hill?

Leader: Those who lead blameless lives and do what is right,

People: speaking the truth from sincere hearts.

Leader: Those who refuse to gossip

**People: or harm their neighbors
or speak evil of their friends.**

Leader: Those who despise flagrant sinners,

**People: and honor the faithful followers of the Lord,
and keep their promises even when it hurts.**

Leader: Those who lend money without charging interest,
and who cannot be bribed to lie about the innocent.

People: Such people will stand firm forever.

HYMN OF PRAYER #433

All Who Love and Serve Your City

v. 1-3

***All who love and serve your city, all who bear its daily stress,
all who cry for peace and justice, all who curse and all who bless:***

***In your day of loss and sorrow, in your day of helpless strife,
honor, peace, and love retreating, seek the Lord, who is your life.***

***In your day of wealth and plenty, wasted work and wasted play,
call to mind the word of Jesus, "Work ye yet while it is day."***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Darren Cushman Wood

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 #433

All Who Love and Serve Your City

v. 4-5

***For all days are days of judgment, and the Lord is waiting still,
drawing near to all who spurn him, offering peace from Calvary's hill.***

***Risen Lord, shall yet the city be the city of despair?
Come today, our Judge, our Glory, be its name, "The Lord is there!"***

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Sunil Kotian

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

I'll Walk with God

N. Brodzsky
Ron Berry, soloist

I'll walk with God from this day on. His helping hand I'll lean upon.
This is my prayer, my humble plea. May the Lord be ever with me.
I'll lean on Him forever, and He'll forsake me never.

He will not fail me as long as my faith is strong.
Whatever road I may walk along. I'll walk with God.
I'll take His hand. I'll talk with God, He'll understand.

I'll pray to Him, each day to Him and He'll hear the words that I say.

His hand will guide my throne and rod and I'll never walk alone,
while I walk with God.

*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

Colossians 1:15-23, 27

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹ And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him— ²³provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

²⁷ To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Poetic Lens

Austin Spence

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #2166

Christ Beside Me

***Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me—King of my heart;
Christ within me, Christ below me, Christ above me—never to part.***

***Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand, Christ all around me—shield in the strife;
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting, Christ in my rising—light of my life.***

***Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me—King of my heart;
Christ within me, Christ below me, Christ above me—never to part.***

*THE CHARGE AND BLESSING

Austin Spence

POSTLUDE

Processional

W. Mathias

This week's worship leaders:

Darren Cushman Wood

Senior Pastor

Sunil Kotian

Pastor of Mission & Outreach

Austin Spence

Pastoral Intern

Allison Jung

Liturgist

John Hague and James Horton

Audio Visual

Kathleen Custer

Guest Organist

Mark Gilgallon

Director of Music

Sign ups

North Church Day of Fishing at Lilly Lake

in Eagle Creek Park

Thursday, July 21 from 11am-3pm

Open to all!

Sign up by emailing asell@northchurchindy.com

Adult Sunday School Classes

Sojourners Sunday School, Room 005

Sunday School Classes

K-6 Grade Sunday school, Room 104

7-12 Grade Sunday school, Youth Room

Child Care Available in Room 102

from 9:40am to 12pm

Alternative Worship (non Communion Sundays)

in Room 104 during 11am service