



October 2, 2022 – Livestream
We Are Called Worship Series
World Communion Sunday

GATHERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brandn Wallace

PRESENTATION OF CONFIRMAND BIBLES

PRELUDE

Preludio
from *Sonata in G minor*

A. Corelli
Robert Danforth, horn

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: People will come from east and west,

People: from north and south, and will eat in the realm of heaven.

Leader: Today, let us join our faithful kin around the world in celebrating the hope of Christ.

People: In our living and our loving we join their song of praise.

*OPENING HYMN #638

This Is the Feast of Victory

[Refrain] This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God. [Refrain]***

***Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are his. [Refrain]***

***Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation. [Refrain]***

***Blessing, honor, glory, and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. [Refrain]***

***For the Lamb who was slain
has begun his reign. Alleluia! [Refrain]***

CHILDREN'S ANTHEM

Liberian folk song

Take Time for Life

D. Cavalier

Denise Caraher, director; James Caraher, piano

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

⁷ And the Lord will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the covering that is spread over all nations;

⁸ God will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.

⁹ It will be said on that day,

“See, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited;

let us be glad and rejoice in God’s salvation.”

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

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Sanctus
from *Missa Kenya*
Sung in Latin

P. Basler
Chancel Quartet/Cathedral Singers
Robert Danforth, horn

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

*GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 14:15-24

¹⁵One of the dinner guests, on hearing this, said to him, ‘Blessed is anyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!’ ¹⁶Then Jesus said to him, ‘Someone gave a great dinner and invited many. ¹⁷At the time for the dinner he sent his slave to say to those who had been invited, “Come; for everything is ready now.” ¹⁸But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, “I have bought a piece of land, and I must go out and see it; please accept my apologies.” ¹⁹Another said, “I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to try them out; please accept my apologies.” ²⁰Another said, “I have just been married, and therefore I cannot come.” ²¹So the slave returned and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and said to his slave, “Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the town and bring in the poor, the impaired, the blind, and the lame.” ²²And the slave said, “Sir, what you ordered has been done, and there is still room.” ²³Then the master said to the slave, “Go out into the roads and lanes, and compel people to come in, so that my house may be filled. ²⁴For I tell you, none of those who were invited will taste my dinner.” ’

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

We are Called to be Servers of Hope

Darren Cushman Wood

HYMN #730

O Day of God, Draw Nigh

***O day of God, draw nigh in beauty and in power;
come with thy timeless judgment now to match our present hour.***

***Bring to our troubled minds, uncertain and afraid,
the quiet of a steadfast faith, calm of a call obeyed.***

***Bring justice to our land, that all may dwell secure,
and finely build for days to come foundations that endure.***

***Bring to our world of strife thy sovereign word of peace,
that war may haunt the earth no more, and desolation cease.***

***O day of God, draw nigh as at creation's birth;
let there be light again, and set thy judgments on the earth.***

PRAYER FOR THE WORLD

Amy Sell

Leader: As servers of God's universal hope let us pray for the world and its peoples:

People: Almighty God, in Jesus Christ
you have ordered us to live as loving neighbors.
Though we are scattered in different places, speak different words,
or descend from different races,
give us common concern, so that we may be one people,
who share the governing of the world under your guiding purpose.
May greed, war, and lust for power be curbed,
and all people enter the community of love
promised in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON

Leader: Let us confess our sin before God and one another.

O God of persistent compassion,
we confess our stubborn refusal to listen to you.
Lord, forgive us.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: We confess our lazy excuses for not following you.

Lord, forgive us.

People: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: We confess our blinding prejudices for not seeing you
in the face of others who need our compassion.

Lord, forgive us.

People: Lord, have mercy.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

STEWARDSHIP SPOTLIGHT

Overflowing Grace

Jan Wheeler-Cowen

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Agnus Dei
from *Missa Kenya*
Sung in Latin

P. Basler
Chancel Quartet/Cathedral Singers
Robert Danforth, horn

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

*DOXOLOGY #94

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Darren Cushman Wood

Our communion musical responses are found on the inside back cover of The Faith We Sing.

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God...
And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**People: *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.***

Leader: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ....
And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: *Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.*

Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here and on these gifts of bread and cup....
Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
All honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER #2278

*BREAKING THE BREAD

RECEIVING THE BLESSING

As persons are sharing the bread and cup in the sanctuary, extend your hands to receive the blessing of the Holy Spirit. If you would like to receive communion from today's service please contact the church to schedule for a pastor to bring it to your home this week, nricketts@northchurchindy.com

COMMUNION HYMN #2126

All Who Hunger

***All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wandering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us in our food.***

Refrain: Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

***All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood. [Refrain]***

***All who hunger, sing together; Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been led.
Blest are those who from this table live their lives in gratitude. [Refrain]***

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Cordero de Diós

M. Mendoza

Sung in Spanish

Lamb of God Text

Chancel Quartet

Cordero de Diós, que quitas los pecados del mundo, ten compassion de nosotros.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Cordero de Diós, que quitas los pecados del mundo, danos la paz.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

PRAYER

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #730

O Day of God, Draw Nigh

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***O day of God, draw nigh as at creation's birth;
let there be light again, and set thy judgments on the earth.***

*THE CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

In Christ There is No East or West

arr. M. Corl

*The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God and
in celebration and memory of Joan and Ralph Lafuze's wedding anniversary on World Communion Sunday
and in memory of Dorothy and Jim Esterline's wedding anniversary October 2nd.
Given by the family in memory of Ralph, Dorothy and Jim and to honor Joan and their marriages.*

This week's worship leaders:

Darren Cushman Wood, *Senior Pastor*
Brandon Wallace, *Minister of Youth & Young Adults*
Amy Sell, *Minister of Discipleship & Formation*
John Hague and Jack Haefling, *Audio Visual*
Heather Hinton, *Organist*
Mark Gilgallon, *Director of Music*

Sundays at North

Child Care Available in Room 102
from 8:15am to 12:15pm

Alternative Worship (non Communion Sundays)
in Room 104 during 11am service

Children and Youth Sunday School Classes

Pre-K: Room 102

K-2 Grades: Room 104

3-5 Grades: Room 203

6-8 Grades: Room 207

9-12 Grades: Youth Room

Adult Sunday School Classes

Sojourners: Room 005

Power and Light: Room 205

Musical Groups Meeting after 11am Service

Children's Choir: room 004 - Kindergarten (or age 5)
through 6th grade

Cathedral Ringers – Handbell Ensemble: room 007

ELEVATION (grades 3-5), 4-6pm

Youth Group, 4-6pm

Upcoming Events

Creation Care Conference October 8, 9am – 1pm
and Creation Care Sunday October 9, 8:30am and
11:00am services with guest lecturer and preacher
Rev. Dr. Timothy Eberhart from Garrett Evangelical
Theological Seminary

Blessing of the Animals, Sunday, October 9, 5pm

Charge Conference, October 16 at 2:00pm,
Lawrence UMC

Love Feast and Hymn Sing, Sunday, October 16,
5pm, Chapel

Drive-In Movie Night, Friday, October 21, 7pm,
North's parking lot

Dessert and Discussion: The After-Life with Darren,
Sunday, October 23, 4-6pm

Jeremiah and Lamentations Bible Study led by
Pastor Darren, Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm, starting
October 26

Trunk-or-Treat Candy Collection until October 30

Trunk-or-Treat- Sunday, October 30, 4-6pm