



November 10, 2024 – Livestream Hamilton Series

GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brandon Wallace

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

arr. P. Manz

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The voice of God is calling: Turn around and see

People: the hope of the Reign of Isaiah's God.

Leader: The voice of God is calling: Turn around and hear

People: the joy of the Realm of Mary's Son.

*OPENING HYMN #436

The Voice of God Is Calling

The voice of God is calling its summons in our day;

Isaiah heard in Zion, and we now hear God say:

"Whom shall I send to succor my people in their need?

Whom shall I send to loosen the bonds of shame and greed?

"I hear my people crying in slum and mine and mill;

no field or mart is silent, no city street is still.

I see my people falling in darkness and despair.

Whom shall I send to shatter the fetters which they bear?"

We heed, O Lord, your summons, and answer: Here are we!

Send us upon your errand, let us your servants be.

Our strength is dust and ashes, our years a passing hour;

but you can use our weakness to magnify your power.

From ease and plenty save us; from pride of place absolve;

purge us of low desire; lift us to high resolve;

take us, and make us holy; teach us your will and way.

Speak, and behold! we answer; command, and we obey!

CHORISTERS' ANTHEM

Our Song of Thanks

J. Gallina

Rosie Jordan, director

Eric Applegate, piano

Merci beaucoup, we give our thanks to you. *Gracias, si gracias*, oh Lord.

Our voices raise around the world in praise, and we say thank you in so many different ways.

Both *Danke schön* and *grazie* mean the same. They mean thank you, yes thank you, oh Lord. So many ways to sing this song of praise; yes we say thank you in so many different ways. It isn't how you say it. It's what you say. And we're saying thank you, Lord, each in our own way. Our voices raise around the world in praise, and we say thank you in so many different ways. We say thank you in so many different ways.

OPENING PRAYER

**Almighty God,
whose love governs the universe,
strengthen our hands to do your work of justice,
widen our hearts to share your gift of mercy,
and open our eyes to see your vision of peace
for all people and for the glory of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

ANTHEM

Even When God is Silent

M. Horvitt

I believe in the sun even when it is not shining.
I believe in love even when feeling it not.
I believe in God even when God is silent.

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE #782

Psalm 48

Leader: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised
in the city of our God;

**People: whose holy mountain, beautiful in elevation,
is the joy of all the earth,**

Leader: Mount Zion, in the far north,
the city of the great Ruler.

**People: Within its citadels God
has proven a sure defense.**

Leader: For lo, the kings assembled,
they marched together.

**People: As soon as they saw it, they were astounded,
they were in panic, they took to flight;**

Leader: trembling took hold of them there,
anguish as of a woman in travail,

**People: as when an east wind shatters
the ships of Tarshish.**

Leader: As we have heard, so have we seen
in the city of the Lord of hosts,
in the city of our God,
which God establishes forever.

**People: We thought on your steadfast love, O God,
in the midst of your temple.**

Leader: As your name, O God, so your praise
reaches to the ends of the earth.

**People: Your right hand is filled with victory;
let Mount Zion be glad!**

Leader: Let the daughters of Judah rejoice
because of your judgments!

**People: Walk about Zion; go round about it,
number its towers,**

Leader: consider well its ramparts,
go through its citadels,
that you may tell the next generation,
**People: "This is God, our God forever and ever.
God will be our guide forever."**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Leanne Lafuze

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 1:1-5

¹In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness God called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF PRAYER #427

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

***Where cross the crowded ways of life, where sound the cries of race and clan,
above the noise of selfish strife, we hear your voice, O Son of man.***

***In haunts of wretchedness and need, on shadowed thresholds dark with fears,
from paths where hide the lures of greed, we catch the vision of your tears.***

***From tender childhood's helplessness, from woman's grief, man's burdened toil,
from famished souls, from sorrow's stress, your heart has never known recoil.***

***The cup of water given for you still holds the freshness of your grace;
yet long these multitudes to view the sweet compassion of your face.***

***O Master, from the mountainside make haste to heal these hearts of pain;
among these restless throngs abide; O tread the city's streets again,***

***Till all the world shall learn your love and follow where your feet have trod,
till, glorious from your heav'n above, shall come the city of our God!***

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.**

MUSICAL RESPONSE #2224

Make Us One

***Make us one, Lord, make us one; Holy Spirit, make us one.
Let your love flow so the world will know we are one in you.***

MOMENT FOR GENEROSITY

Harvesting Hope

Denise Page Caraher

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Darren Cushman Wood

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Hymn of Fellowship

J. N. Beck

In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north;
but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.
In him shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find;
his service is the golden cord close binding humankind.
Join hands then loved ones of the faith, whatever your race may be!
Who serves my Father as a child is surely kin to me.
In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north;
all Christly souls are one in him throughout the whole wide earth.
Alleluia, 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!***

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 6:1-14

¹ After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ² A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³ Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴ Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵ When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' ⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷ Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' ⁸ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹ 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' ¹⁰ Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹ Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' ¹³ So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴ When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

A Divine Economy of Abundance

Rev. John Edgar

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #433

All Who Love and Serve Your City

***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."***

***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!"***

*THE CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

O Spirit of the Living God

arr. T. Clegg

Special thanks to our guest preacher Rev. John Edgar who is the founding pastor emeritus of the United Methodist Church for All People in Columbus, Ohio and the executive director of Community Development for All People. He is the author of *A Front Porch for All People*.

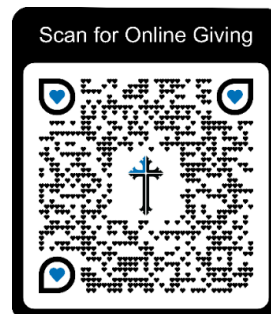
Special thanks to our keynote speaker Fran Quigley, J.D., who is Clinical Professor of Law and Director of the Health and Human Rights Clinic at I.U. Robert H. McKinney School of Law.

Today's Hamilton Series Events:

- Chat with John Edgar, 9:30 a.m., the Gathering Center
- Luncheon following 11 a.m. service, Fellowship Hall
- Following luncheon, keynote address by Fran Quigley
- Panel discussion following keynote address

The Rev. Richard and Anna Lee Hamilton Series on Theology and Contemporary Issues is a ministry outreach of North United Methodist Church in Indianapolis. The series is in honor of Rev. Hamilton who was the senior pastor at North from 1973-1997 and his wife who was a voice instructor at Butler University. The goal of the series is to encourage dialogue and engagement at the intersection of theology and social issues and concerns. It is funded by the William E. Schmidt Foundation with additional support from the Blankenbaker-Noyes family.

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Upcoming Events:

Department of Child Services Forum, November 11, 6:30pm

Game Night and Thanksgiving Feast, November 15, 5:00pm

A family event and will be a night of games and food

LGBTQ+ Fellowship, November 19, 6:00pm
at The Garage Food Hall (906 Carrollton Ave)

UWF Pie Pick-Up, November 24

Thanksgiving Eve Service, November 27

Advent Festival, December 1

Youth Progressive Dinner, December 15

**This week's worship
leaders:**

Darren Cushman Wood

Senior Pastor

Brandon Wallace

Minister of Christian Education

Leanne Lafuze

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John Hague, Allen McCormack

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Audio Visual

Mark Gilgallon

Music Director

Heather Hinton

Organist