

# Seventh Sunday of Easter

Worship Leaders: Beverly Goines, Charles Miller, and Shana Pereira  
Preacher: Stephen Gentle

## THE COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

### PRELUDE

*Adagio from Sonata II* Felix Mendelssohn

*These Are the Holy Ten Commands* J.S. Bach

### MOMENT OF FRIENDSHIP AND WELCOME

Stephen Gentle

Welcome! National City Christian Church is the national church of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and a house of prayer that is open and affirming of all people. We pray that today's worship will please God and edify God's people.

Please sign the Connect With Us card in the bulletin. If you are a first-time guest, please indicate your address, telephone number, and email address. There is a space on the back for prayer concerns and comments. As we prepare for worship, please turn off all cellular telephones, pagers, and watch alarms. The service is approximately one hour and fifteen minutes.

### INTROIT

Matthias Loy

*Help Us, Thy Holy Law to Learn*

Help us your holy law to learn, to mourn our sin and from it turn  
in faith to thee and to your Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One.

### ✠HYMN OF PRAISE

No. 709  
AUSTRIAN HYMN

*Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

## THE COMMUNITY HEARS GOD'S WORD

### RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Shana Pereira

Leader: The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul;

**People: The testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.**

Leader: The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart;

**People: The commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

Leader: The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

**Unison: Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our strength and our redeemer.**

### CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

ERSCHIENEN IST

*These Are the Holy Ten Commands*



1. These are the ho - ly ten comm-ands God gave to all of hu man - kind through Mo- ses  
2. I am the Lord, your on - ly God, who saved you from all ser- vi - tude. So put your  
3. To you I give my ho - ly name; go pray for oth - ers and pro - claim my word to  
4. To you I give my ho - ly day to strength- en you by what I say. So rest from



speak - ing from the cloud, to show us what is right and good. Have mer - cy, Lord.  
love and trust in me, for I a - lone can keep you free." Have mer - cy, Lord.  
all and of - fer grace that tells of my e - ter - nal face." Have mer - cy, Lord.  
all the work you do and let me do my work in you." Have mer - cy, Lord.

(✠ Please stand as you are able.)

### SCRIPTURE READING

Shana Pereira

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Exodus 20:1-17

### ANTHEM

Jean Berger

*Speak to One Another of Psalms*

Speak to one another of psalms and of holy writings, of carols and anthems.  
Sing ye and praise yet the Lord; sing ye and praise him.

### CHILDREN'S TIME

All elementary students are invited to participate in the children's Creative Arts program led by Patrick Malone that takes place during the 11 a.m. service. Children can meet their parents in the Music Suite or in the Atrium at the end of the worship service.

### SERMON

Stephen Gentle

*Faith Shared - Ten Commandments*

## THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS TO GOD'S WORD AND CELEBRATES GOD'S GRACE

Those desiring to become members of the community of National City Christian Church, either by transfer of membership, profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith, or as an associate member, are invited to come forward during the hymn.

### ✠HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP

ERSCHIENEN IST

*These Are the Holy Ten Commands*



5. I give you par - ents to con - vey my gifts for liv - ing fruit - ful - ly. By treat - ing  
6. Curb an - ger, ha - tred, and ill will; use words to heal and not to kill. Be pa - tient,  
7. Take care that you do not de - stroy my gift of marr - iage with its joy, but serve your  
8. I bring you pro - per - ty and meals; be not the one who cheats or steals, but op - en



them with cour - te - sy you will live well, and ho - nor me." Have mer - cy, Lord.  
with a gen - tle mind, and win your foes by be - ing kind." Have mer - cy, Lord.  
part - ner faith - ful - ly with love and ho - ly pur - i - ty." Have mer - cy, Lord.  
up your heart and hand to share the rich - es of this land." Have mer - cy, Lord.

### GIVING AND RECEIVING OF THE OFFERING

Beverly Goines

### OFFERTORY SOLO

David Fletcher

*Weepin' Mary*

Patricia Simmons, mezzo soprano

Are there anybody here like Mary a-weepin'?

Call to my Jesus and he'll draw nigh.

Glory, glory be to my God on high!

Are there anybody here like Peter a-sinkin'?

Are there anybody here like jailors a-tremblin'?

Are there anybody here like angels a-sighin'?

[Text based on Psalm 145:18-19]

### ✠DOXOLOGY

No. 50  
LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Beverly Goines

### PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Byron Cotton

Elder: O God, have mercy upon us as we approach your Table.

**People: We are prone to disobedience in spite of your law. We behave foolishly in the light of your testimony. Your statutes illumine how we treat others unjustly. Your commandments reveal our wayward behavior. Afraid of your judgment if we plead our own innocence, we rely on Jesus Christ to represent us. He is our strength and the one who redeems us. Through him have mercy and forgive us our sin.**

Elder: The love of God was made manifest among us, in that God sent Jesus Christ into the world, so that we might live through Christ. In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us and sent the Son to be the remedy for our sins. As we receive the assurance of new life in Christ, let us love as God has loved us.

**People: Alleluia. Amen.**

### PRAYER AT THE TABLE

Gentry Alexander

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

This table is for all believers in Jesus Christ. Please eat the bread as it is passed and hold the cup so that we may share it together.

### COMMUNION HYMN

No. 214 (2)  
TOPLADY

*Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands;  
could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,  
all for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.

## THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE

### ✠HYMN OF GOING FORTH

ERSCHIENEN IST

*These Are the Holy Ten Commands*



9. Since I love truth and hate all lies, shun slan - der and du - pli - ci - ty. Speak up for  
10. Do not de - sire each o - ther's goods, their spouse, their home, their liv - li - hood, but pray for  
11. We have this law for us to see our sin with its im - pur - i - ty and as a  
12. Guide us, Christ Je - sus, in our need, our friend, our ad - vo - cate in - deed; help keep us



o - thers, save their face, and shield the sin - ner from dis - grace. Have mer - cy, Lord.  
them and their suc - cess, as you wish for your hap - pi - ness. Have mer - cy, Lord.  
guide to show us how to please our God in all we do. Have mer - cy, Lord.  
from all things un - just. In you a - lone we put our trust. Al - le - lu - ia!

### ✠BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

Felix Mendelssohn

*Allegro maestoso e vivace from Sonata II*

As the organ postlude is played, please feel free to depart the sanctuary and greet those around you. For those who wish to stay and enjoy the postlude, you are invited to come forward, gather near the organ console, and let the full splendor of this instrument and the glorious music played upon it fill your soul.

Following the worship service, our pastors are at the back and side doors of the sanctuary to greet you. All are invited to come down to the Atrium for a time of fellowship.

The flowers were given by Mary Paradise  
in memory of her mother, Marie Paradise.

Worship and preaching resources: Chalice Worship, Colbert S. Cartwright and O.I. Cricket Harrison, ed. (St. Louis: Chalice Press, 1999), Seasons of the Spirit, Craig Schaub, et. al., (British Columbia, Canada: Wood Lake Publishing, Inc., 2007), and When We Gather, James G. Kirk, (Philadelphia: The Geneva Press, 2001). The texts for the hymns sung during this morning service are reprinted with permission given under CCLI #2266475.

## WELCOME TO NATIONAL CITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

**Welcome to Worship!** We are so honored that you have come to Thomas Circle today to worship the Lord. Today we consider the theme of "Faith Shared" among the three Abrahamic faiths. One of the teachings that Judaism, Christianity, and Islam shares in common are the 10 Commandments. What do the 10 commandments mean to the different faith traditions and what do they teach us today about our faith shared?

**This Week** – Dr. Stephen Gentle will be away from the church office Monday through Wednesday. If there are pastoral needs during this time, please contact Mrs. Kathleen Swihart at [kswhart62@yahoo.com](mailto:kswhart62@yahoo.com) or leave a message for her at the church office. All other messages may be directed to Colleen Walsh.

### EVERY SUNDAY

#### Sunday School – 10 a.m. for children, youth, and adults

**Classes for elementary students** will meet in the staff lounge on the third floor of the Beasley Building.

**Classes for middle and high school students** will meet in the 2nd Floor Conference Room.

**Christian Pathways** – Small group on Acts led by Barbara Boward in the Howland Center

**Children's Time** – All elementary students are invited to participate in the children's Creative Arts program led by Patrick Malone that takes place during the 11 a.m. service. Children can meet their parents in the Music Suite or in the Atrium at the end of the worship service.

### FOR OUR GUESTS

**Membership at NCCC** – It would be our joy to welcome you into the membership of this congregation. You may join through transfer of membership from another congregation or through a profession of faith and baptism. Full and associate membership are available. Please feel free to talk with any minister or e-mail [sgentle@nationalcitycc.org](mailto:sgentle@nationalcitycc.org)

**Sanctuary Tour** – Tours of our historic sanctuary are available following the 11 a.m. worship service. If you are interested, please meet at the Garfield Window in the rear of the sanctuary (pulpit side).

**Coffee and Fellowship** – Come to the Atrium for a warm cup of coffee and meet some of the warm people of National City. The Atrium is located on the first floor of the building through the front, right door.

**Nursery** – Childcare is available during the morning for children through age four. The nursery is located in Fellers Foyer. Speak with a greeter or any member for directions.

**Accessibility** – Elevator access to the sanctuary is available via the 14<sup>th</sup> Street courtyard entrance. If you would like to request a handicapped parking space for Sunday, please call the church office by 12 noon on Friday.

**EN ESPAÑOL** – Culto en la Capilla Phillips, Domingo 11 a.m.

**Parking** – Complimentary parking is available at the Washington Plaza Hotel parking garage. Simply ask for a voucher at the church front desk at the 14th street entrance. Street parking is available every Sunday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the west ramp off Thomas Circle, which leads to Massachusetts Avenue.

**Pastoral Needs** – If you would like to speak with a pastor, please feel free to meet with one of the pastors at the door after the worship service or call during business hours, 202-232-0323.

**National City Online** – Visit online at [www.nationalcitycc.org](http://www.nationalcitycc.org) to find a recording of Sunday's sermon. Facebook members are encouraged to sign up as fans of National City's Facebook page. Also members and guests are encouraged to sign up for our e-mail list at <http://www.nationalcitycc.org/register.asp>.

## TODAY

**Fair Trade Gifts, Crafts, and Coffee** – Hilda's International Gift Shop is open today from 10 to 11 a.m. and 12 to 1 p.m. near the courtyard entrance in the Atrium.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 7

**Disciples Women Luncheon** – Gardener and flower arranger Barbara Collins will lead the program for the Disciples Women annual luncheon on Tuesday, June 7, at noon. The theme: "Diggin' In The Dirt."

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

**Food Pantry** from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Atrium.

### THURSDAY, JUNE 9

**Open Mic Night** – Join Yada tonight at 7 p.m. in Hilda's Gift Shop for an open mic night! If you are interested in helping to plan please contact Katie Blaisdell at [katie@blaisdells.net](mailto:katie@blaisdells.net).

### FRIDAY, JUNE 10

**Magical Mystical Musical Machine** – Free organ recital and demonstration series at 12:15 - 1 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Featured this week is Robert Bright from Washington, D.C.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**In Sympathy** – Long-time member Adelaide Marie Madsen died at the age of 86 on May 27 in Iowa City, where she had moved in 1998. At National City, she had been a member of the choir, and CWF, served as a deaconess and as one of the managers of the thrift shop, and organized the annual Labor Day trip to the beach for many years. Services are pending. More information is available at <http://hosting-tributes-3320.tributes.com/show/Adelaid-Madsen-91574686>

**General Board Meeting** – Sunday, June 19, 12:30 p.m., Howland Center.

**Regional Church Summer Camps are Coming!** – There are fun camps for ALL ages in the mountains and at the beach. Details are available at <http://www.cccadisciples.org/camp>. You can find information in the Atrium.

**Labor Day Weekend** – National City has reserved the Conference Center at Bethany Beach for this long weekend. Registration forms can be found in the atrium or email Teresa Swihart, [tisatcamp@yahoo.com](mailto:tisatcamp@yahoo.com) to have one emailed to you.

### PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH FAMILY

Jane Campbell; James Green; Roy Hatton; Polly He; Will Hill;  
William C. Howland, Jr.; Enid Maitland;  
C. William and Claudine Nichols; Lynn Parrish; Hilda Reynolds;  
Denise Ross; George Servino; Martha Thompkins;  
David Tyson; Al Weaver; and those in military service.

### CAPITAL AREA PRAYER CALENDAR

Bethany Christian Church, Fort Washington, Maryland

**PLEASE SEND ANNOUNCEMENTS TO COLLEEN WALSH**  
AT [cwalsh@nationalcitycc.org](mailto:cwalsh@nationalcitycc.org) OR [cajwalsh@gmail.com](mailto:cajwalsh@gmail.com)



I am the Lord your God.

June 5, 2011  
11 a.m.



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