

# Third Sunday of Easter

Worship Leaders: Valeria Foster, Stephen Gentle, Beverly Goines,  
and Noemi Mena  
Preacher: Steven Moore

## THE COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

We prepare for worship with the gathering music. Join in the singing of the gathering music with the choir, and please turn off all cellular phones, pagers, and watch alarms.

CALL TO WORSHIP Stephen Gentle

## GATHERING MUSIC

*Oh, the Glory of Your Presence* Steve Fry  
Oh, the glory of your presence;  
We, your temple, give you rev'rence.  
Come and rise to your rest,  
And be blest by our praise  
As we glory in your embrace,  
As your presence now fills this place.  
(repeat)

*We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise* Kirk Dearman  
We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord.  
We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord.  
And we offer up to you the sacrifices of thanksgiving,  
And we offer up to you the sacrifices of joy.  
(repeat)

✠ OPENING HYMN No. 231

*Sing of One Who Walks Beside Us*  
Sing of one who walks beside us and this day is living still,  
one who now is closer to us than the thoughts our hearts distill,  
Christ who once upon a hilltop, raised against the power of sin,  
died in love as his own creatures crucified their God and Friend!

We have walked with him as strangers through the journey of the day,  
and have told him of the violence that has swept our hope away.  
He has offered words of comfort, words of energy and light.  
Did our hearts not blaze within us as he broke the bread this night?  
Risen one, stay with us, raise us, once again the night is near.  
Dine with us and share your wisdom, free our hearts from every fear.  
In the calm of each new evening, in the freshness of each dawn,  
if you hold us fast in friendship we will never be alone.

✠ RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE Noemi Mena

Leader: Where shattered hearts are made whole, where wounded souls are healed, where life is stronger than death:

**People: there, the stone has been rolled away.**

Leader: Where the lonely become our friends, where a stranger is welcomed home, where hope is stronger than despair,

**People: there, we find Jesus walking.**

Leader: Where closed wallets are opened, where the anxious find serenity, where love is stronger than hate:

**People: there, Jesus is opening our eyes.**

Leader: The stone has been rolled away! Jesus is our companion on the journey! Our eyes are opened to the needs of others!

**People: Alleluia! Christ is risen! Alleluia! Christ is with us!**

✠ SONG OF THANKSGIVING No. 41

*Halle-, Halle-, Hallelujah*  
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!  
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

✠ MOMENT OF FRIENDSHIP, WELCOME OF VISITORS Stephen Gentle

Welcome to National City Christian Church. We greet you in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We request that everyone - both members and visitors - sign the Connect With Us cards in your bulletin. If you are a visitor, please indicate your address and telephone number. There is space on the back of the cards for prayer concerns.

CALL TO PRAYER James Quinn

*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.

PASTORAL PRAYER Beverly Goines

LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## THE COMMUNITY HEARS GOD'S WORD

CHORAL PRAISE

*Marvelous* Walter Hawkins  
*Two Were Bound for Emmaus* arr. Valeria Foster

SCRIPTURE READING Noemi Mena

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Luke 24:13-35

HYMN OF PREPARATION Bob Cull

*Open Our Eyes*  
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,  
To reach out and touch him, and say that we love him.  
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen,  
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

*Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread* No. 398 (1)  
Be known to us in breaking bread, but do not then depart;  
Savior, abide with us, and spread thy table in our heart.

SERMON Steven Moore

*Who-Bodies*

## THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS TO GOD'S WORD

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.

✠ INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP No. 556 (1, 4)

*Trust and Obey*

## THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS TO GOD'S GRACE

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION AND OFFERING Stephen Gentle

ELDERS' PRAYERS FOR THE BREAD AND CUP Cecil Talbott  
Will Lang

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### SHARING AND RECEIVING GOD'S GRACE

This table is for all believers in Jesus Christ. Please come forward by the center aisle as directed by the Deacons. Baskets are available at the first pew for your offerings. When receiving communion, take a wafer from the plate and dip it in the cup. After you have received the Lord's Supper, please return to your seats by the side aisles.

COMMUNION HYMN No. 408

*Come, Share the Lord*

## THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE

✠ BENEDICTION

✠ RESPONSE

*He Got Up!*  
Death, where is your sting?  
Sting, where is your grave?  
Grave, where is your victory?  
He got up! God raised him up!  
He got up; all power's in his hands!

*Following the worship service, our pastors are at the front 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 Doug & Chieko Cook  
in honor of their 55th Wedding Anniversary

*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.*

(✠ Please stand as you are able.)

## WELCOME TO NATIONAL CITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

**Welcome to Worship!** Today is the last time I preach from the pulpit while I'm your associate minister here. The Scripture for the day is the story of the Road to Emmaus where we meet some Jesus followers on the road. The sermon title is: **Somebodies** – as these disciples are not mentioned in the rest of Scripture and we only learn the name of Cleopas. They are virtually unknown to us in this day – and YET Jesus comes along the road - just as he comes along our road and says – You are a some-body.

### 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) and 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>.

## TUESDAY, MAY 10

**Yada D-Space** – The Young Adults are starting a series on spiritual disciplines led by Miriam Gentle. Disciples Space is a great time out of your week to develop spiritually and connect with other young adults. Gather for snacks and socializing (6:45 p.m.) and study (7-8:30 p.m.). For more information please contact Ann at [aneeriemer@gmail.com](mailto:aneeriemer@gmail.com).

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

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

## FRIDAY, MAY 13

**Magical Mystical Musical Machine** – Free organ recital and demonstration series at 12:15 - 1 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Featured this week is Todd Davis from York, Pennsylvania.

## SUNDAY, MAY 15

**Food Pantry Sunday** - Please bring in donations for National City's Food Pantry. This month we need proteins such as canned meats, Mac & Cheese, and Ramen Noodles.

**Dog Blessing** – All canine friends and their caregivers are invited to meet on the steps of National City Christian Church on Sunday, May 15, at 10 a.m. for a special blessing of the dogs service. All are invited to participate on this joyful occasion.

**Elders Meeting** at 12:30 p.m. in the Howland Center.

**Deacons Meeting** at 12:30 p.m. in the 2nd Floor Conference Room.

**Deaconesses Meeting** at 12:30 p.m. in the 3rd Floor Conference Room.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Steven Moore Farewell Luncheon** - Sunday, May 22 at 12:30 p.m. Join us in wishing Steven Moore well as he continues on his personal journey by becoming a Senior Pastor at Lafayette Christian Church at our Congregational Luncheon. Please sign up in the Atrium.

**Open Mic Night** - Yada is planning a summer community open mic night at NCCC. If you are interested in helping to plan please contact Katie Blaisdell at [katie@blaisdells.net](mailto:katie@blaisdells.net). Also let us know if you know any local musicians!

**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>.

### PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH FAMILY

Jane Campbell; James Green; Roy Hatton; Will Hill;

William C. Howland, Jr.; Enid Maitland;

C. William and Claudine Nichols; Lynne Parrish; Hilda Reynolds;

Denise Ross; Martha Thompkins; Al Weaver;

and those in military service.

### CAPITAL AREA PRAYER CALENDAR

North Chevy Chase Christian Church, Chevy Chase, Maryland

PLEASE SEND ANNOUNCEMENTS TO COLLEEN WALSH

AT [cwalsh@nationalcitycc.org](mailto:cwalsh@nationalcitycc.org) OR [cajwalsh@gmail.com](mailto:cajwalsh@gmail.com)



May 8, 2011

8:30 a.m.



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