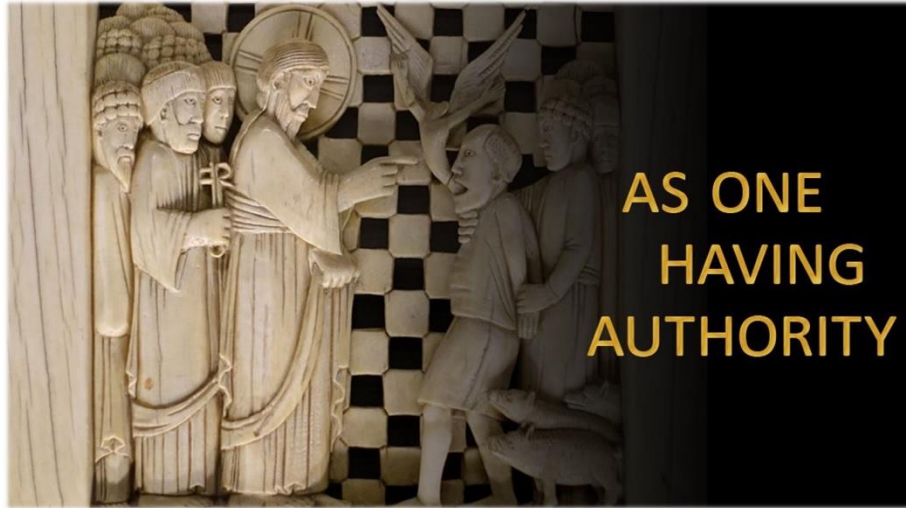


# ***North Chevy Chase Christian Church*** ***(Disciples of Christ)***

*“Love first. Love always,  
and we’ll figure out the rest of it as we go along.”*



*January 28, 2024*  
*11:00 a.m.*

## ***Preparing Our Hearts for Worship***

*HEARING ASSISTANCE HEADPHONES are available in the Narthex.*

*Please set all pagers and cell phones to vibrate at this time.*

*CH = Chalice Hymnal (found in the pew racks)*

## ***The People of God Gather***

*If you're new to North Chevy Chase Christian Church, please consider filling out the Feedback Card you will find in the Pew pocket. We'll follow up with a brief phone call or email to say thank you for worshipping with us and to answer any question you may have. We are glad you're here with us today!*

## **Acknowledgment of Native Americans: A Statement toward Reconciliation**

For thousands of years indigenous people have walked in this land, on their own country. Their relationship with the land is at the center of their lives. We gratefully acknowledge them, past and present, and their stewardship of this land on which we stand.

*North Chevy Chase Christian Church is an Open and Affirming Congregation  
Connecting Faith with Community.*

**PRELUDE**

Glenn Pearson, Pianist/Organist

**WELCOME**

Rev. Dr. Cheryl L. Tatham, Minister

**CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP** "Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord", from *Elijah*  
NC4 Choir directed by Christine Schadeberg

Mendelssohn

*Congregation standing in body or spirit*

**CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER**

Bill Wydro, Worship Leader

*(based on Psalm 111 and Deuteronomy 18:15-20)*

One: Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart in the company of the upright in the congregation.

**ALL: Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.**

One: The works of God's hands are faithful and just; all God's precepts are trustworthy.

**ALL: They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

One: God's works extend to you and me and the whole community as the Spirit nurtures gifts and graces in each of us.

**ALL: Great are the works of the Lord, whose love and grace endures forever!**

One: God raises up some to be prophets to help us follow God's voice, yet all are called to lead by following.

**ALL: We affirm the gifts of those who are called to be truth-tellers in our midst, helping us all to answer the call to be truth-doers. Great are the works of the Lord!**

One: With our hearts open to God, let us pray ...

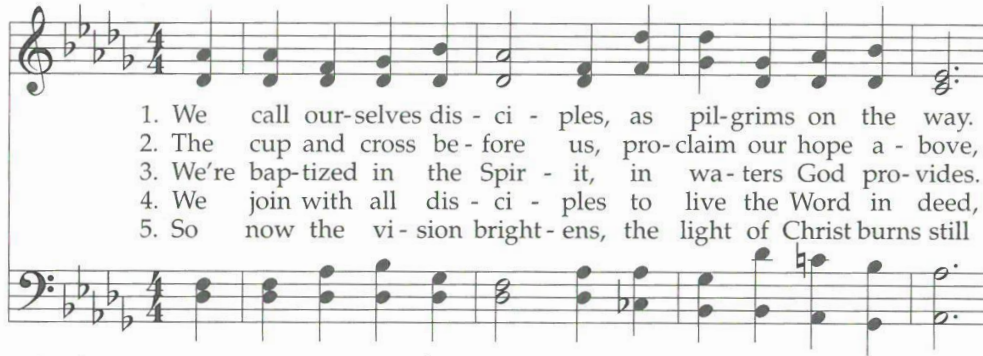
**OPENING HYMN**

"We Call Ourselves Disciples" vs. 1, 2 & 5

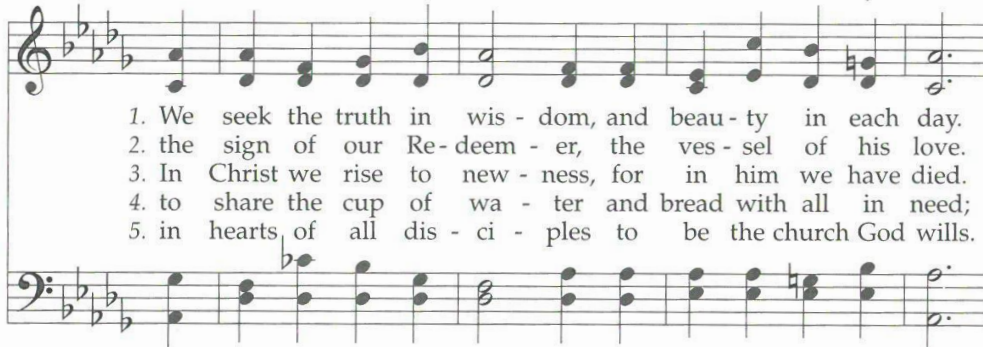
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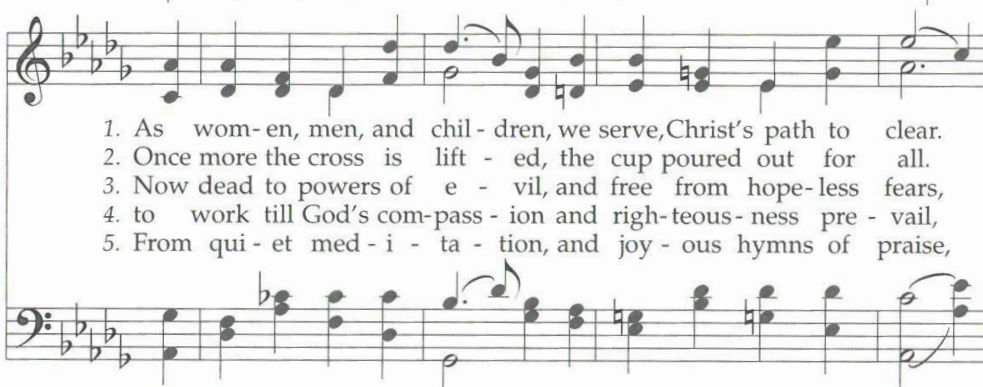
# We Call Ourselves Disciples



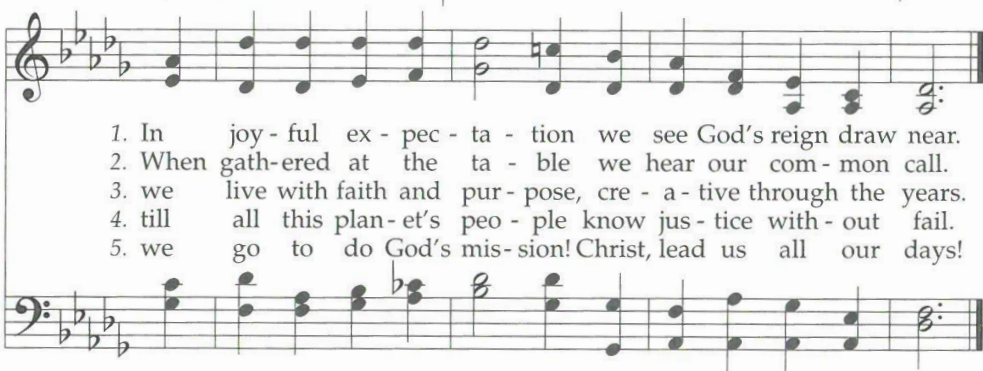
1. We call our-selves dis - ci - ples, as pil-grims on the way.  
 2. The cup and cross be - fore us, pro-claim our hope a - bove,  
 3. We're bap-tized in the Spir - it, in wa - ters God pro-vides.  
 4. We join with all dis - ci - ples to live the Word in deed,  
 5. So now the vi - sion bright - ens, the light of Christ burns still



1. We seek the truth in wis - dom, and beau - ty in each day.  
 2. the sign of our Re - deem - er, the ves - sel of his love.  
 3. In Christ we rise to new - ness, for in him we have died.  
 4. to share the cup of wa - ter and bread with all in need;  
 5. in hearts of all dis - ci - ples to be the church God wills.



1. As wom-en, men, and chil - dren, we serve, Christ's path to clear.  
 2. Once more the cross is lift - ed, the cup poured out for all.  
 3. Now dead to powers of e - vil, and free from hope-less fears,  
 4. to work till God's com-pass - ion and righ-teous-ness pre - vail,  
 5. From qui - et med - i - ta - tion, and joy - ous hymns of praise,



1. In joy - ful ex - pec - ta - tion we see God's reign draw near.  
 2. When gath-ered at the ta - ble we hear our com - mon call.  
 3. we live with faith and pur - pose, cre - a - tive through the years.  
 4. till all this plan - et's peo - ple know jus - tice with - out fail.  
 5. we go to do God's mis-sion! Christ, lead us all our days!

WORDS: Jim Miller, 1984  
 MUSIC: Henry T. Smart, 1836

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## PASSING OF THE PEACE

*Congregation seated*

## SHARING OF PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

## PASTORAL PRAYER & PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**ALL:** 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, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

## *Proclaim*

### A READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

### RESPONSE

"Thy Word"

326 Thy Word

The musical score is for a hymn titled 'Thy Word', numbered 326. It is written for a unison voice part in 4/4 time, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics: 'Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.' The score includes a treble clef and a bass clef. Above the treble clef, the word 'Unison' is written. Chord symbols are placed above the staff: E-flat, B-flat7, E-flat, A-flat, B-flat7, E-flat, A-flat, E-flat. The lyrics are written below the staff.

WORDS: Amy Grant, 1984

MUSIC: Michael W. Smith, 1984; arr. Keith Phillips

THY WORD  
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### A READING FROM THE GOSPELS

Mark 1:21-28

## CELEBRATING LEADERSHIP

*Introduction*

*Charge to the Leadership*

*Charge to the Congregation*

*Prayer*

*Declaration*

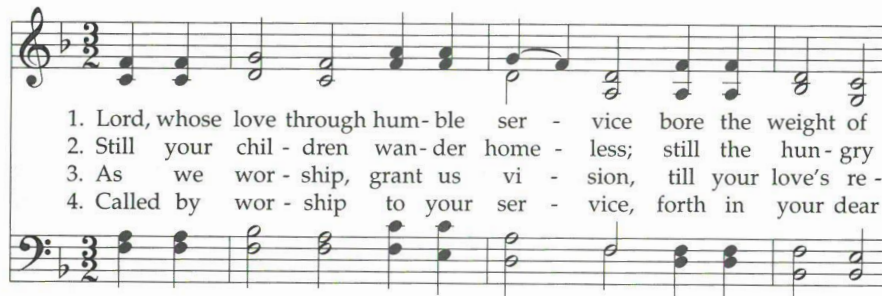
*Blessing*

*Hymn*

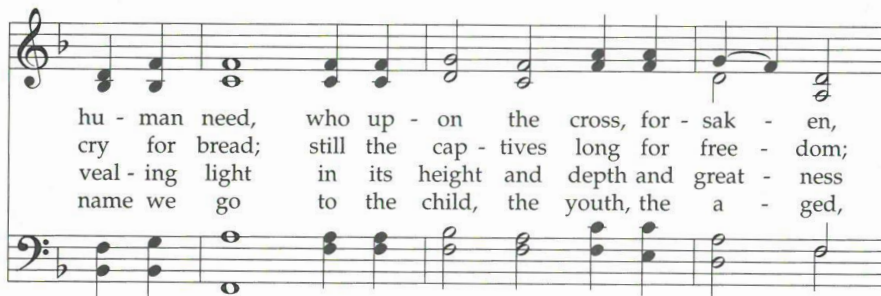
"Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service", vs. 1 & 4

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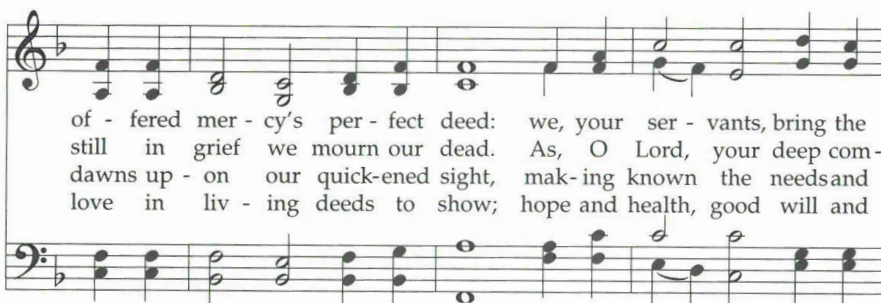
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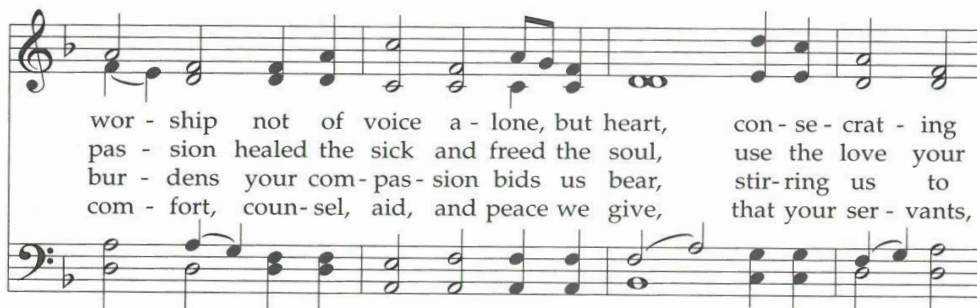
1. Lord, whose love through hum-ble ser - vice bore the weight of  
2. Still your chil - dren wan-der home - less; still the hun - gry  
3. As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re -  
4. Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear



hu - man need, who up - on the cross, for - sak - en,  
cry for bread; still the cap - tives long for free - dom;  
veal - ing light in its height and depth and great - ness  
name we go to the child, the youth, the a - ged,

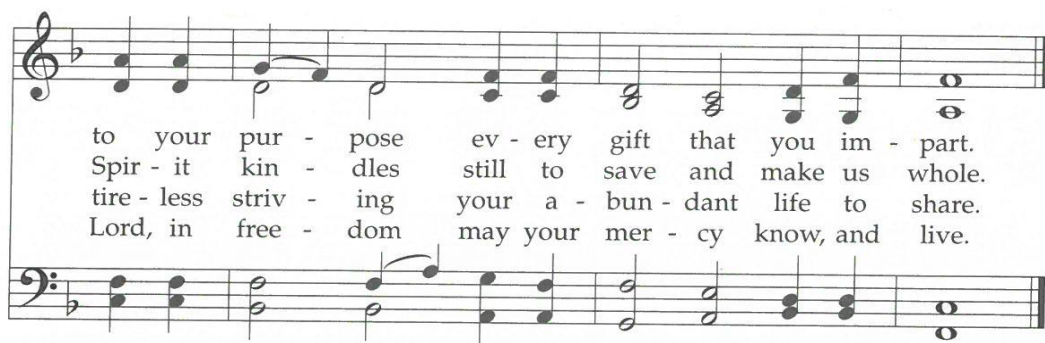


of - fered mer - cy's per - fect deed: we, your ser - vants, bring the  
still in grief we mourn our dead. As, O Lord, your deep com -  
dawns up - on our quick-ened sight, mak - ing known the needs and  
love in liv - ing deeds to show; hope and health, good will and



wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart, con - se - crat - ing  
pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul, use the love your  
bur - dens your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring us to  
com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, that your ser - vants,





**MESSAGE**

"As One Having Authority"

Rev. Tatham

## ***We Give and Receive***

*We come forward to bring our physical bodies and our financial gifts to God. You are invited to come forward down the center aisle to place your tithes & offerings in the trays available; and to receive the elements of bread and cup, taking them and returning to your seats down the side aisle, to consume the elements in silent reflection.*

### **THE INVITATION TO GIVE AND RECEIVE**

**COMMUNION HYMN**

"All Who Hunger Gather Gladly" vs. 1

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# 419 All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

1. All who hun-ger, gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread.  
 2. All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest.  
 3. All who hun-ger, sing to- geth-er; Je-sus Christ is liv-ing bread.

Come from wil-der-ness and wan-d'ring. Here, in truth, we will be fed.  
 Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.  
 Come from lone-li-ness and long-ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.

You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.  
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.  
 Blest are those who from this ta-ble live their days in grat-i-tude.

Taste and see the grace e-ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.  
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WORDS: Sylvia Dunstan, 1990  
 MUSIC: *Columbian Harmony*, 1825

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## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### **COMING FORWARD TO GIVE, AND TO RECEIVE THE BREAD AND THE CUP**

*Communion is the central act of community within the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in remembrance of the life, death and resurrection of Christ. The invitation to the Table is extended to all who wish to follow Jesus and to share in the community of God's people.  
Everyone is invited to eat from this Table.*

## MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

"For the Bread"

V. Earle Copes

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*...And Go Forth to Serve*

## SHARING OF JOYS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Congregation standing as able*

## CLOSING HYMN

"We are the People of God"

(twice through)

**We Are the People of God**

MARY KAY BEALL  
Based on Colossians 3:12-17

CONGREGATIONAL PART

JOHN CARTER

REFRAIN:

We are the peo-ple of God;— He has loved us and

cho-sen us for His own, We are the peo - ple of God;—

— He has cho - sen us to be— His own.

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## BENEDICTION



**POSTLUDE**

*Please join us for Coffee Fellowship in Harlow Hall.*

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**SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY**

Rev. Dr. Cheryl L. Tatham, Preaching  
 Bill Wydro, Worship Leader  
 Glenn Pearson, Pianist/Organist  
 Laird Thomason, Elder at the Table  
 Yvonne McGee, Communion Preparation  
 Lydia Oladapo & Devi Rambarran, A/V Team

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**Prayer Concerns & Celebrations:**

Our prayers are with those who are ill, injured, or facing/recovering from surgery, as well as with those around the world who suffer injustice, oppression, and violence. If you would like to share a prayer concern, you may indicate that on the Feedback card in the pew pocket, or by contacting Rev. Tatham at 301-654-3631 or [nc4pastor@gmail.com](mailto:nc4pastor@gmail.com).

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**THIS WEEK AT NC4**

*Sunday, January 28*  
*12:15 pm*                      *Coffee Fellowship in Harlow Hall*  
*Monday, January 29*                      *Office Closed*  
*Tuesday, January 30*  
*10am*                              *Tuesday Zoom Prayer Group*  
*Friday, February 2*                      *Office Closed*

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**CHURCH STAFF**

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