



TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
October 17, 2021

PRELUDE "The Swan" (Saint Saens)
featuring Alek Schrock, baritone and Candice Wallace, piano

INTROIT "How Can I Keep from Singing" (arr. Arnold B. Sherman)
featuring Central Bells

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Linda Stephan

CALL TO WORSHIP Melanie Miner

ONE: In our ancient scriptures, the law says:

ALL: You shall share part of your harvest with the poor & the alien.

ONE: With grace, Jesus said:

ALL: "Give one coat away if you have two."

ONE: With tough love, Jesus went on to say:

ALL: "Sell what you have, give that money to the poor."

ONE: Faith has always involved re-imagining what is enough,
what we might do, and who God is for us.

**ALL: So in this hour of worship, may we re-imagine
and hold lightly all that binds us to God's dream.**

Let the singing and the praying and the re-imagining begin!

HYMN "What Gift Can We Bring" UMH No. 87

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER Melanie Miner

**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.**

BLESSING THE CHILDREN Rev. Linda Stephan
"Where Children Belong" (all sing)

***This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng.
Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.***

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "Where Charity and Love Prevail" (Maurice Duruflé)
featuring Central's Chancel Choir

*Where charity and love prevail, God is ever found. Brought together by Christ's love, we are bound.
With grateful joy and holy fear, charity we learn. Let us love Christ with heart and mind and vigor.
And forgive we now each other's faults as we our faults confess. And let us love each other well in
Christian holiness. Where charity and love prevail, God is ever found. Amen.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Leviticus 19: 9-14, 18

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

VIDEO—Chapter Three: “Reimagine”

SERMON *Our Money Story—Stewardship Series:*
Chapter Three— “Reimagine!” Rev. Chris Lane

A CREED OF FAITH (in unison) Rev. Chris Lane

**We believe in Creator God, who, like a farmer with her fields,
Imagines Creation and loves it into being.**

**We believe in Jesus, who in the fullness of time,
Walked this hurting world and imagined in us a new way to love.**

**We believe in Holy Spirit, who creatively prods us and pulls us,
Leads us and guides us, carries us and loves us into new life, every day.**

**Therefore, we believe in the power of imagination,
That gift from God allowing us to dream dreams,
Create anew, start over, try again, and share our harvest.**

**So now, as part of this family which is Church,
We dare to dream. We strive to love larger.
We imagine a new day more generous, in the very ways we labor and harvest -
All with the unsettling help of God who Re-imagines a new world, always. Always!**

A TIME OF REFLECTION

INVITATION TO GIVING Rev. Linda Stephan

DOXOLOGY UMH No. 94

*Praise God from whom all blessing 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!*

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS Rev. Linda Stephan

HYMN “They’ll Know We Are Christians” FWS No. 2223

BENEDICTION Rev. Chris Lane

CHORAL BENEDICTION “May the Heavenly Father Cheer You” (Roger C. Wilson)

POSTLUDE “If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee” (J.S. Bach)

*You are invited to remain seated for the postlude as part of your worship experience.
(If you choose to exit the sanctuary during the postlude, please do so quietly. Thank you.)*

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS:

PASTORS: Rev. Chris Lane and Rev. Linda Stephan
Melanie Miner, liturgist

MUSIC: Tom Bara, organist; Michael Coonrod, pianist; Central's Chancel Choir,
Jeffrey Cobb, director; Central Bells, Lynne Lombard, director

GREETERS: Geri Torno, Kathy Gray, Don Harbold and Chris Zimmer

AUDIO/VIDEO TEAM: Tom Bartlett, Tom Atkinson and John Sonnemann
Kim Burch, pre-production coordinator
Silvio Ciccone, production director

**Thank you
for joining us today!**



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