





TRADITIONAL WORSHIP January 15, 2023

PRELUDE "Andante" by Betty Jackson King featuring Tom Bara, organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Chris Lane

PASSING THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP Muriel Peavler

One: I give thanks to my God always, because Christ has strengthened us, nurtured us, enriched us – not in the kind of gifts money can buy, but in the gifts of the Spirit. Together, we have all we need to serve Christ and to minister to those who are least, last, lost and forsaken by this world – those who are yet wholly and completely loved of God.

ALL: God is faithful. God unites us to one another and to Christ. And in Christ we lack nothing.

One: God is faithful, therefore we worship. Therefore we serve. Therefore we recommit ourselves to the work of God's holy Kin-dom.

HYMN "God is Here" UMH No. 660

BLESSING THE CHILDREN

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

(all sing)

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus. In him there is no darkness at all. The night and day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE Muriel Peavler

RESPONSE: We praise your holy name, O God.

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH No. 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.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above" featuring Central's Chancel Choir

by Lloyd Larson

Praise the Lord who reigns above and keeps His courts below; praise the holy God of love, and all His greatness show. Praise Him for His noble deeds, praise Him for His matchless power; Him from whom all good proceeds let earth and heaven adore. Celebrate the eternal God with harp and psaltery; timbrels soft and cymbals loud in His high praise agree. Praise Him, every tuneful string; all the reach of heavenly art, all the powers of music bring, the music of the heart. Alleluia, sing alleluia! Praise God's holy name. Alleluia, sing alleluia! Eternally the same! Alleluia, sing alleluia with instrument and voice. Alleluia, sing alleluia with heart and soul rejoice! Lift your song in praise, rejoice! To God, in whom we move and live, let all creation sing; glorify your Maker and give homage to the King! Lord of all in life and death, in heaven and earth adored! Praise your God with every breath, let all things praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, sing alleluia!

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9 Muriel Peavler

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

Glimpses of the Kin-dom Sermon Series

MESSAGE "Not Lacking" Rev. Linda Stephan

COVENANT RENEWAL (in unison)

Lord, make me what you will.

I put myself fully into your hands:
put me to doing, put me to suffering,
let me be employed for you, or laid aside for you,
let me be full, let me be empty,
let me have all things, let me have nothing.
I freely and with a willing heart
give it all to your pleasure and disposal.

COMMISSIONING OF STEPHEN MINISTERS

Congregational response: Yes, by the help of God.

REFLECTION "My Lord, What a Morning" African American Spiritual

INVITATION TO GIVING

DOXOLOGY UMH No. 94

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!

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS Rev. Chris Lane

HYMN "Lift Every Voice and Sing" UMH No. 519

(often referred to as "The Black National Anthem")

BENEDICTION Rev. Linda Stephan

CHORAL BENEDICTION "Sevenfold Amen" by John Stainer

POSTLUDE "Prelude in Classic Style" by Gordon Young

featuring Tom Bara, organ

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

MUSIC: Tom Bara, organist; Central's Chancel Choir, Jeffrey Cobb, director;

Brass: Josh Wagner, Thomas Viera, Julie Schleif, Mike Hunter GREETERS: Wes Bara, Diane and Tom Emling, Donna Olendorf

WELCOME CENTER HOST: Sue Judson

AUDIO/VIDEO TEAM: Tom Atkinson, Tom Bartlett, Lynne Lombard, John Sonnemann

Kim Burch, pre-production coordinator Silvio Ciccone, production director