



SCAN TO GIVE YOUR GIFT NOW



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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
March 5, 2023

PRELUDE

“Cantabile”
featuring Tom Bara, organ

by César Franck

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Chris Lane

PASSING THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Eldon Horner

We open worship with the voice of God interpreted through the prophet Jeremiah:

One: I know the plans I have in mind for you, declares the Holy, living God.

ALL: Plans for peace, not disaster, a future filled with hope.

One: When my people call me and come and pray to me,

ALL: You will listen. You will be our Cloud of Presence.

One: When my people search for me, search for me with all your heart,

ALL: We will find you.

One: I will be present for you, declares the LORD. I will gather you from all the nations and places where I have scattered you.

ALL: And you will carry us home.

HYMN

“Lead On, O Cloud of Presence”

FWS No. 2234

BLESSING THE CHILDREN

“Where Children Belong”

(all sing)

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

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

“Lamb of God, What Wondrous Love”
featuring Central's Chancel Choir

arr. Petker

Lamb of God, what wondrous love, O my soul. Love, such love, that Thou shouldst die for me. Lord of Grace, what matchless love, O my soul. Son of God, Thou loving sacrifice for me.

Here, O Lord, am I, sinful, fearful, guilty and condemned. Thy death is surely mine.

Cross of God, I would to turn away, yet Love it bids me stay, O my soul. Can it be the very death I fear is that which draws me near, Lord to Thee? Lamb of God, Thou died for me.

Lamb of God, what wondrous love.

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 4: 9-17, 27-31

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

MESSAGE

Desert Wanderings Lenten Sermon Series
"Not Me, God! Pick Literally Anyone Else!"

Rev. Linda Stephan

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(Pastor Continues...)

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

(Pastor Continues...)

All: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

(Offerings may be placed in the plates at the front of the aisles.)

DOXOLOGY FOR LENT

(tune: UMH No. 95)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.*

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Rev. Chris Lane

HYMN

"Walk With Me"

FWS No. 2242 (vs. 1, 3, 4)

BENEDICTION

Rev. Linda Stephan

CHORAL BENEDICTION

"A Blessing"

by James Chepponis

POSTLUDE

"Trumpet Tune in D"
featuring Tom Bara, organ

by David Johnson

*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

LITURGIST: Eldon Horner

MUSIC: Tom Bara, organist; Central's Chancel Choir, Jeffrey Cobb, director;
Michael Coonrod, accompanist, Paul Sonner, violin

GREETERS: Bob and Carol Blackmer, Tom Emling and Carol Evans

AUDIO/VIDEO TEAM: Tom Bartlett, Craig Jones, Erica Jones, Jim Ondrajka
Kim Burch, pre-production coordinator
Silvio Ciccone, production director