



TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

April 30, 2023

PRELUDE "Clair de lune" by Louis Vierne  
*featuring Tom Bara, organist*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Linda Stephan

PASSING THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP Noel Woodbury

One: Friends, we gather this day to celebrate life -  
**All: The life we have been given by God,**  
One: The life we share with one another in community.  
**All: The life that Jesus gives in abundance**  
One: Let us be grateful for the joy of life  
**All: Let us worship God!**

HYMN "All Creatures of Our God and King" UMH No. 62 (vs. 1-4, 7)

BLESSING THE CHILDREN Rev. Chris Lane  
(all sing)

*"Hymn of Promise (vs 1)"*  
***In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree. In cocoons, a hidden  
promise: butterflies will soon be free! In the cold and snow of winter  
there's a spring that waits to be. Unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.***

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE Noel Woodbury

THE LORD'S PRAYER No. 894

**Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "The Lord is My Shepherd" by John Rutter  
*featuring Central's Chancel Choir; Lynne Handson, oboe*

*The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing. He shall feed me in a green pasture, and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort. He shall convert my soul and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his name's sake. Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me: thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou shalt prepare a table for me against them that trouble me: thou hast anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full. But thy loving kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 2:1-9, 15-17; Revelation 22:1-5 Noel Woodbury  
Leader: The Word of God for the People of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

*Marks of Resilience: Nature's Story of Hope Sermon Series*

MESSAGE

"Resilience and Resurrection"

Rev. Jane Lippert

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

*Today we welcome Charissa Bredow-Shawcross and Scott Shawcross (9AM); Nancy Larke, Chuck McLaughlin and Cindee McLaughlin (11AM).*

**Response: With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.**

INVITATION TO GIVING

Rev. Chris Lane

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! Alleluia!**

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Rev. Chris Lane

HYMN

"Marching to Zion"

UMH No. 733

BENEDICTION

Rev. Jane Lippert

CHORAL BENEDICTION

"Blessed Be the Lord Forevermore"

by Cobb

POSTLUDE

"Finale from Symphony No. 1"  
*featuring Tom Bara, organist*

by Louis Vierne

*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

GUEST PREACHER: Rev. Jane Lippert

LITURGIST: Noel Woodbury

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

AUDIO/VIDEO TEAM: Tom Bartlett, Silvio Ciccone, Tom Atkinson, Erica Jones,  
John Sonnemann; Meagan Thomas Wells, production manager

**Thank you  
for joining us today!**



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