



September 17, 2023

Traditional Worship

Prelude	<i>"Prelude on Slane"</i> <i>featuring Peter VanDessel, organ</i>	by Gordon Young
Welcome and Announcements		Rev. Joan VanDessel
Passing the Peace		Rev. Joan VanDessel
Call to Worship		Jennifer Yeatts
One: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth. ALL: Worship the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence with singing. One: Know that the LORD is God. God made us, ALL: And we belong to God.		
Hymn	<i>"In Unity We Lift Our Song"</i>	FWS No. 2221
Blessing the Children		Rev. Joan VanDessel
Prayer of the People		Jennifer Yeatts
Prayer of Confession (in unison)		Jennifer Yeatts
Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen		
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	<i>"Jesus Lover of My Soul"</i> <i>featuring Central's Chancel Choir</i>	by Brian Hanson
<i>Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly, while the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high: Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm of life is past. Safe into the haven guide; O receive my soul at last. Plenteous grace with Thee is found, grace to cover all my sin; let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within. Thou of life the fountain art, freely let me take of Thee; spring Thou up within my heart, rise to all eternity. Other refuge have I none, hangs my helpless soul on Thee. Leave, ah, leave me not alone, still support and comfort me. All my trust on Thee is stayed, all my help from Thee I bring; cover my defenseless head, with the shadow of Thy wing.</i>		

Scripture	Romans 12:9-18 Leader: The Word of God for the People of God. People: Thanks be to God.	Jennifer Yeatts
Sermon	<i>Sing a New Church into Being Sermon Series</i> "Homesick"	Rev. Linda Stephan
Moment of Reflection	"Stay with Me"	(choir sings)
Invitation to Giving		Rev. Joan VanDessel
Doxology		UMH No. 94
	<i>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!</i>	
Prayer Over The Gifts		Rev. Joan VanDessel
Hymn	"Blest Be The Tie That Binds"	UMH No. 557
Benediction		Rev. Linda Stephan
Choral Benediction	"May the Heavenly Father Cheer You"	by Wilson
Postlude	"Recessional on <i>St. Anne</i> " <i>featuring Peter VanDessel, organ</i>	by Gordon Young

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. Linda Stephan and Rev. Joan VanDessel

Liturgist: Jennifer Yeatts

Music: Peter VanDessel, organist;
Central's Chancel Choir, Jeffrey Cobb, director; Barbara Slagel, accompanist

Welcome Desk: Linda Deneen

Greeters: Nora and Dean Francis,
Bob and Carol Blackmer

A/V Team: Tom Bartlett, Silvio Ciccone, Lynne Lombard
Abby Ondrajka, Jim Ondrajka
Meagan Thomas Wells, production manager



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