



November 19, 2023
Traditional Worship

- Prelude** "Now Thank We All Our God" arr. Crüger
featuring Barbara Slagel, organ
- Welcome and Announcements** Rev. Linda Stephan
- Passing the Peace** Rev. Linda Stephan
- Call to Worship** Lisa Cooley
One: What light God has given us, that we might shine in the world's darkness.
ALL: What love Christ has given us, that we might love with his love.
One: What gifts the Spirit has given us, that we might be conduits of God's grace.
ALL: Alleluia! Come, Holy One, and inspire us to be your gifts for the world.
- Hymn** "Gather Us In" FWS No. 2236
- Baptism and Invitation to Membership**
Today we welcome into the Central Church family Pam Hill, Daniel Linsell, Aaron and Rachel McBride, Mary Ann Niesen, Sham VanDessel, and Noelle Wilde.
ALL: We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.
- Blessing the Children** Rev. Linda Stephan
- Prayer of the People** Lisa Cooley
- 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** "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" arr. Wilberg
featuring Central's Chancel Choir, Joan VanDessel, clarinet and Paul Sonner, violin
My Shepherd, will supply my need, Jehovah is his name. In pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream. He brings my wand'ring spirit back when I forsake his ways; and leads me for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace. When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay; one word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away. Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my table spread; my cup with blessings overflows, thine oil anoints my head. The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days; oh, may thy house be my abode, and all my work be praise! There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come; no more a stranger, nor a guest, but like a child at home.

Scripture

John 6:5-13(CEB)

Lisa Cooley

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God. **People: Thanks be God.****Sermon***Conduits of God's Grace Stewardship Series*
"The Spark that Comes with Risk"

Rev. Joan VanDessel

Moment of Reflection**Time of Commitment**

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 of Commitment and Gratitude

Rev. Linda Stephan

Hymn

"As a Fire is Meant for Burning"

FWS No. 2237

Benediction

Pastors Linda and Joan

Choral Benediction

"Benediction"

by Candice Wallace

Postlude

"Rendez à Dieu"

by Bourgeois

featuring Barbara Slagel, 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. Linda Stephan and Rev. Joan VanDessel**Liturgist:** Lisa Cooley**Music:** Barbara Slagel, organist;

Central's Chancel Choir, Jeffrey Cobb, director;

Joan VanDessel, clarinet; Paul Sonner, violin

Welcome Desk: Sham VanDessel**Greeters:** Dean and Nora Francis,

Wes Bara, Gary Boyce

A/V Team: Silvio Ciccone, Craig Jones, Erica Jones,

Lynne Lombard, John Sonnemann

Meagan Thomas Wells, production manager



**Thank you
for joining us today!**

**SCAN TO GIVE YOUR GIFT NOW****SCAN TO CHECK IN**