

Morning Worship
Racial Justice Day
“A Sign of Things to Come”
Joyce Keenan, Presiding

Prelude Peggy Young

Announcements Pastorate

Gathering Hymn “As We Gather” (sing twice) CCS 73
Opening Prayer and Welcome Joyce Keenan

Racial Justice Responsive Reading

Leader: O God, on this Racial Justice Sunday we confess that the sin of racial hatred and prejudice distorts your divine plan for our human lives: You created us in divine likeness, diverse and beautiful: In every person, every race is your image.

Congregation: *But too often we fail to recognize your image in all: Forgive us.*

Leader: You created us in divine freedom, to be free: In every decision, every choice is your possibility of justice.

Congregation: *But too often we fail to choose to advocate for your justice for all: Forgive us.*

Leader: You created us for divine abundance, to tend and share: In every garden, every social structure is your seed of community.

Congregation: *But too often we fail to create that community which includes all and gives to all equal access to your abundant life: Forgive us.*

All: Open our eyes to distinguish good from evil
Open our hearts to desire good over evil
Strengthen our wills to choose good over evil,
So that we may create among us your beloved community.

A Hymn for Zion and the Reign of God CCS 379
“O For a World”

Prayer for Peace Heather Devine

Scripture Reading John 2:1-11 Sherry Lindgren
Carolyn Deering

Ministry of Music “The Living Word of Scripture” TBD

Morning Message Fredrick Keenan

Hymn of Affirmation CCS 278
“There’s a Church Within Us”

Disciples Generous Response Cliff Danville
Blessing and Receiving of Local and Worldwide Mission Tithes

Silent Meditation Moment
What signs do you see of God’s work in our world?

A Benediction and Sending Forth Hymn (Stanzas 1 & 3) CCS 658
Postlude

Additional Participants

Deacon: Brad Martin, Video Tech: Lee Peters, Sound Tech: Brad Martin, Ministry of Music: Nanette Dizney, Jo Fenn-Martin, Len Young, Stu Skene

Announcements

Next Sunday

10:00am Sunday School “The Good News – It’s All about Relationships” Class held in the fellowship hall facilitated by Len Young. See him for materials.

10:55am Worship “A Call to Ministry” Nancy Skene presiding, Jo Fenn-Martin speaking

Priesthood Meeting February 2, 7:00pm on Zoom

Reminder that Priesthood Worship/Meetings are now once a quarter in the evening on Zoom to boost attendance. Be watching your email for agenda and call-in information.

February 2022 Speakers/Presiders Schedule is out. Check your email for your copy. Email [sherry.lindgren@gmail](mailto:sherry.lindgren@gmail.com) if you did not receive.

Sherry Lindgren is creating and printing the bulletins in 2022. If you are presider, please provide your order of worship no later than Wednesday and any announcements should be provided by Thursday. Any announcements received after Thursday will be given at the beginning of the Sunday Service.

Mission Statement

“We proclaim Jesus Christ and promote communities of joy, hope, love and peace.”

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