

January 29, 2023

PRELUDE Stephanie Shorden

GREETING Rev. David Petty

***THRESHOLD SONG**

"Let Us Be Drawn In"

Leader: In world of the driven

People: Let us be Drawn in

Leader: Let your love be a given

People: Let us be drawn in

Leader: To imagine, to dream, to create, to redeem. For the sake of the livin'

People: Let us be drawn in

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Norm Thom

Leader: Risking God, you created something from nothing.

People: Open us to move into the unknown future with confidence.

Leader: Let us live into your vision for this world as you continue to create.

People: Draw us into your possibilities.

Leader: Give us the courage to act as you would have us act. This is the day that the Lord has made.

People: We shall rejoice and be glad in it!

***HYMN**

Come and Find the Quiet Center

TFWS #2128

1. Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead, find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed: Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes that we can see. all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

2. Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace, God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, touches base, making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun, raising courage when we're shrinking, finding scope for faith begun.

3. In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain, let our loves and fears

unravel, celebrate the space we gain: There's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care, in the Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare.

MYSTERY BOX

HYMN *Where the Spirit of the Lord Is* TFWS #2119

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PASTORAL, SILENT, AND LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Donnie Sturgill

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 to trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power and the Glory forever.

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OFFERTORY

My Life Flows On

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER OF THANKS & DEDICATION

Pastor Donnie Sturgill

***DOXOLOGY *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #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!

SCRIPTURE READING

Norm Thom

ANTHEM

Deep Peace by Benjamin Harlan
Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Leader: May the words of my mouth,

People: and the meditations of all of our hearts

All: be acceptable in your sight, O Lord our rock and our redeemer.

Psalm 19:14

MESSAGE *Drawn In: Week Two – Hover* Rev. Mike Cole

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Pastor Donnie Sturgill

An Affirmation of Faith based on the Apostles Creed:

We believe in God, The creator of all things and the first mover of everything in motion.

We believe in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived and created by the Holy Spirit, Knitted together in the womb, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, Died, and was buried; On the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God Until he returns again,

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

We are the people of God, We are St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Celebrating the Love of God, Living and creating through the power of the Holy Spirit, And following the teachings of Christ.

Together we will work as disciples of Jesus Christ toward the goal of the transformation of the world.

Amen.

***HYMN**

God Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

**God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to move my voice;
God, be the strength to now uphold me: O Christ, surround me; o Christ,
surround me.**

**Walking behind to him my journey, Going ahead to light my way, And from
beneath, above, and always; O Christ, surround me; o Christ, surround me**

**Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that hear my voice, Christ
in the hearts of all who know me; O Christ, surround me; o Christ, surround me**

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Stephanie Shorden