

First Congregational Church of St. Louis
United Church of Christ

Special Worship Service

July 31, 2022

From Dreaming to Planning

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude "If You But Trust in God to Guide You" *David Cherwien*

***Call to Worship** (*Adapted from Psalm 126 by Stuart Strachan Jr.*)

Leader: When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dream.

People: Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue
with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations,
"The LORD has done great things for them."

Leader: The LORD has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.

People: Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses in the Negeb.

Leader: May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.

People: Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,
shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

***Hymn** "You Are Salt for the Earth, O People" #181 (on next page)

Prayers of Petition & Thanksgiving

The Prayer of Our Savior

Our Mother, 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 sins,
as we forgive those who sin 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.

Council Discussion - *From Dreaming to Planning*

You Are Salt for the Earth, O People

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Paraphr. by Marty Haugen, 1986; alt.

Matt. 5:13-15

Unison

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1 You are salt for the earth, O peo-ple: salt for the reign of God!
2 You are a light on the hill, O peo-ple: light for the Cit-y of God!
3 You are a seed of the Word, O peo-ple: bring forth the reign of God!
4 We are a blessed and a pil-grim peo-ple: bound for the reign of God!

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Share the fla- vor of life, O peo- ple: life in the Cit-y of God!
Shine so ho- ly and bright, O peo- ple: shine for the Cit-y of God!
Seeds of mer- cy and seeds of jus- tice, grow in the Cit-y of God!
Love our jour-ney and love our home-land: love is the Cit-y of God!

Refrain

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Bring forth the reign of mer- cy, bring forth the reign of peace;

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Bring forth the reign of jus- tice, bring forth the Cit-y of God!