

New Covenant Fellowship

March 12, 2023

“The Lord Is With Us”
by Pastor Renée Antrosio



The Lord said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people, and take some of Israel’s elders with you. Take in your hand the shepherd’s rod that you used to strike the Nile River, and go. I’ll be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Hit the rock. Water will come out of it, and the people will be able to drink.” Moses did so while Israel’s elders watched.

—Exodus 17:5-6

ORDER OF SERVICE

Oh Lord Our Lord

Welcome (Laura Lindeman)

Give me Your Eyes

Prayer for Vision (Kathy K-G)

Be Thou My Vision

Exodus 17:1-7 (Vern Fein)

Go Down Moses

The Lord is With Us

“The Lord is with Us” (Pastor Renée)

Jesus Stand Among Us

Behold I will do Something New

Benediction (Jason Berg)

Hold Us Together



BENEDICTION

Enduring Presence,

goal and guide,

you go before and await our coming.

Only our thirst compels us
beyond complaint to conversation,

beyond rejection to relationship.

Pour your love into our hearts,
that, refreshed and renewed,

we may invite others to the living water
given to us in Jesus the Messiah.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Memorials and Reparations—The International Coalition of Sites of Conscience invites us to two webinars. “Where Do We Mourn?” on Thursday, March 16, at 9am will introduce the Emmett Till Interpretive Center and discuss the need to memorialize sites of violence against African Americans. [Register here.](#)

“Reparations 101” on Thursday, March 23, at 9am will address what reparations are, how and to whom they might be paid, and how they connect ideas of justice to the legacies of slavery in the US. [Register here.](#) For people who register but cannot watch webinars “live,” the Coalition makes recordings available afterwards.

Leadership Team—In our March 6 meeting, we refined the 2023 budget based on 2022 expenditures, began drafting a job description for an associate pastor, and considered the need for pastoral

sabbaticals. We also reflected on the importance of intentionally supporting (Build up, Give grace, Encourage) our leaders and how the LT serves as a listening board for congregational concerns.

Next Event! Saturday, March 25, at 7:30 pm. Kristin Tennant and Jason Berg will host an evening spent reading aloud from our favorite books in their Urbana home. Those who wish to read will have five minutes to share anything that makes you think, laugh, cry, change your life, or change the world. (You’re also welcome to just come and listen!) Email Kristin (ktennant@gmail.com) for more information (including the event address) and to RSVP.

Finance Webinars— All webinars on Wednesdays at 1 and 7 pm (Central)

March 15 .. *Invest in a better world*

March 22 .. *What will your final statement be?*

March 29 .. *Understanding Medicare*

Link to Inspiration: If you missed Thursday’s showing of Katherine Hayhoe on Caring For Our Creation, here is the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UOJuHpeWoPE>

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February tithes: \$10,544; Family fund: \$225; Reparations: \$25. Thank you!