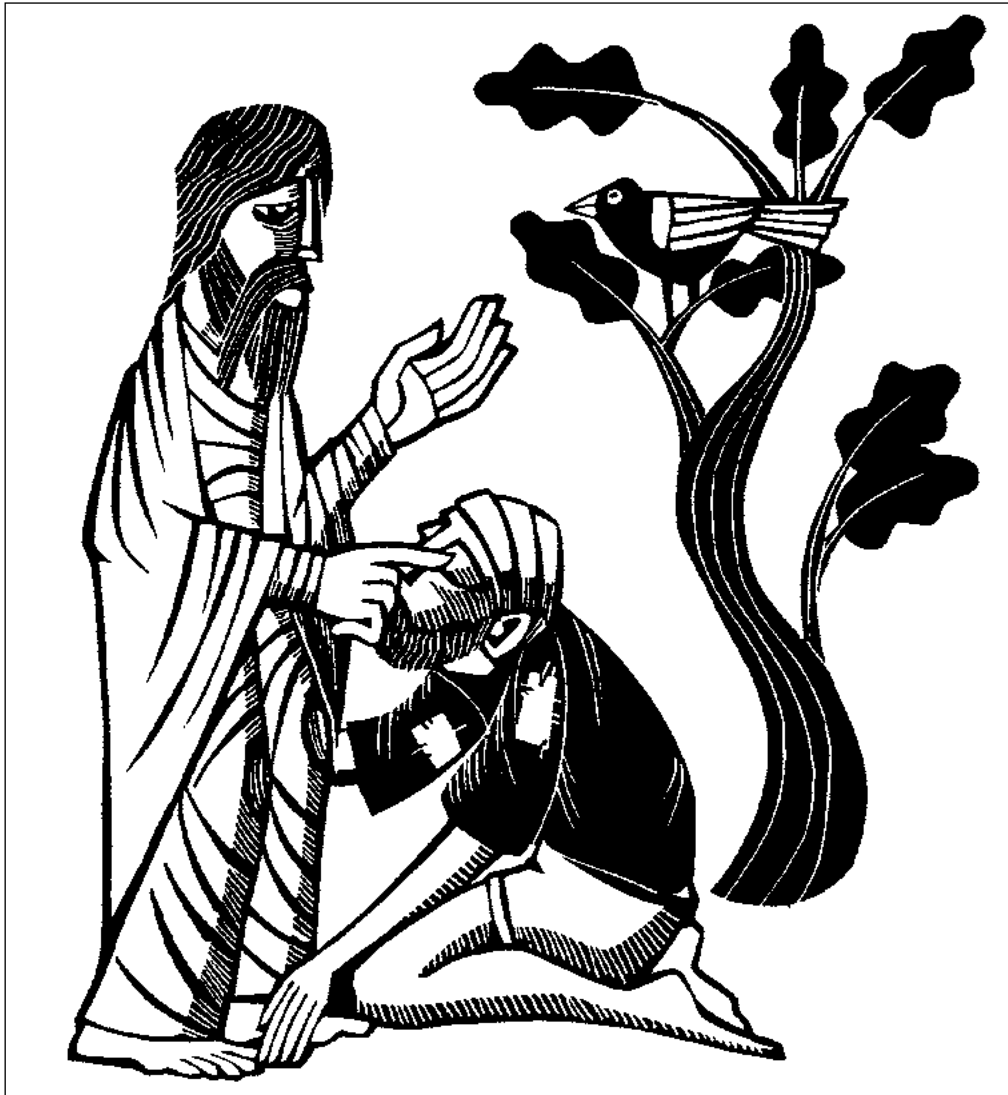


New Covenant Fellowship

March 19, 2023

“Open the Eyes of Your Hearts”
by Jeff Trask



Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.”

—John 9:39

ORDER OF SERVICE

We Come

Welcome (Pastor Renée)

Psalm 42 (Brian Mustain)

God's Highway

Prayer of Lament (Barbara)

How Much Longer?

Ephesians 5:8-4 (Julian Rappaport)

Fire of God

“Open the Eyes of Your Heart” (Jeff Trask)

To the River

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Benediction (Walt Kelly)

We Are Walking in the Light of God

BENEDICTION

Discerner of hearts,

you look beneath our outward appearance

and see your image in each of us.

Banish in us the blindness

that prevents us from recognizing truth,

so we may see the world through your eyes

and with the compassion of Jesus Christ who loves us.

Amen.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Thursday—“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 those who register but cannot watch webinars “live,” the Coalition makes recordings available afterwards.

RSVP! 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

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

(including the event address) and to RSVP.

Remaining Finance Webinars—occurring on Wednesdays at 1 and 7 pm (Central)

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

March 29 .. *Understanding Medicare*

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

Prayer Team meets March 26—Prayer group meets at NCF every 2nd and 4th Sunday from 9:45-10:15. Everyone is welcome to pray or be prayed for. For more information, contact Lee Ann Kelly.

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