

**February 19, 2023 at 11:00 AM**  
**Worship Series: Imagine**  
**Message: Better World**  
**\*Stand in body or in spirit**

<b>Gathering</b>	<i>Shine, Jesus Shine</i>	June Shuffett
<b>Welcome/Announcements</b>		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
<b>Centering Moment</b>		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
<b>*Centering Song</b>	<i>In the Midst of New Dimensions</i>	TFWS 2238
<b>*Prayer</b>		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
<p>Pastor: Let us pray. <b>People: Our loving and caring God, we need this time together to be united with our sisters and brothers in the faith; we need this time of worship to be comforted and strengthened in Your presence. We hear of wars and rumors of wars. We read of persecution and oppression. Remind us again of Your vision, that all might live in a world of peace and justice and love. May this time together imprint this vision and promise on our hearts, that we may live into this beloved community. AMEN.</b></p>		
<b>Children's Moment</b>		Linda Biscardo
<b>Prayers of the People</b>		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
<b>The Lord's Prayer</b>		See Screen
<b>Offering Song</b>	<i>I Have Loved You</i>	June Shuffett
<b>*Prayer of Thanksgiving</b>		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
<b>Old Testament Reading</b>	Isaiah 65:17-25	Sam Patricola
<b>Homily</b>	<i>Better World</i>	Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

**Praying for A Better World**

<b>Prayer for Creation and Those Affected by Natural Disasters Song</b>	<i>How Great Thou Art</i>	UMH 77
<b>Prayer for Peace and Those Affected by War and Violence Song</b>	<i>Let There Be Peace on Earth</i>	UMH 431

**Prayer for Unity, to Overcome Division**  
**Song** *Many Gifts, One Spirit* UMH 114

**Prayer for Justice and Dignity of All People**  
**Song** *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace* TFWS 2171

**Prayer for Those in Poverty or Need**  
**Song** *Here I Am, Lord* UMH 593

**Prayer of Commitment** Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller  
**People: O God,**  
**we long to make a difference**  
**in our world.**  
**We offer You what we have:**  
**our visions and dreams;**  
**our witness to Your saving acts**  
**of love and justice;**  
**our resources to help bring**  
**the new heaven and new earth**  
**into our midst.**  
**We offer You our very lives,**  
**that we may be coworkers with You**  
**to bring about true change**  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.**

**\*Closing Song** *We Are Called* TFWS 2172

**\*Benediction** Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

**Postlude** *You are My All, in All* June Shuffett