New Hampshire Conference
United Church of Christ

2020 Annual Meeting
Worship Service

Greeting and Welcome
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Good Morning Friends and welcome to our New Hampshire Conference Annual Meeting weekend worship. As many things have happened in 2020 this is happening differently than our Annual Meeting worship often does. Normally its included as part of our full day Annual Meeting activities at the Grappone Center. This year, however, as we move to a virtual format we decided that we would handle our Annual Meeting worship differently and make it available to you on Sunday morning. Perhaps you are watching this on social media or perhaps it is what your church is using for worship this morning. We welcome you however you are encountering this worship. As we have all weekend long we are listening to the words of Isaiah that invite us to restore, repair, and re-new in our communities, and in the world around us. Preaching this morning will be our Annual Meeting keynote speaker, the Rev. Michael Caine, Pastor of Old First Reformed United Church of Christ in Philadelphia. I want to make sure also to thank all the members of our Annual Meeting Worship Team, who have spent a year developing this worship service in multiple formats. And I want to thank all the voices participating in our worship this morning. As we move through our worship this morning, I want to let you know in advance that we will be celebrating the sacrament of Holy Communion. So I invite you to take a moment and find the elements that you would like to use for communion. This may be bread and juice, this may be a cinnamon roll and coffee. God’s grace is available through all such things. Please take a moment and retrieve the items you would like to use. Friends, as we come to our worship this morning may we prepare our mouths to praise and our hearts to welcome the in dwelling of the Spirit. Let us worship together.