



NOVEMBER 13, 2016

Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School – 10:50 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Janelle Arnett Campbell, Accompanist

***CALL TO WORSHIP SJ #2**

Hamba nathi (Come, walk with us)
Christina Hofer, soloist

***WELCOME AND PRAYER**

Sallie Page-Goertz, Worship Leader

L: We have come to worship you, O God.

All: **Some of us come full of happiness,
and some of us come a little sore from what life brings.**

L: Some of us come indifferent or confused.

All: **Gather us in.**

L: We honor you—who forms us and calls us each by name.
You are our God, known yet unknown, present here yet everywhere
now and forever. You have made us distinctly unique and yet part of your
people world-wide.

All: **Gather us in to your tender care and abundant grace. AMEN.****

STORYTELLING

CHILDREN'S TIME

Linda Graham

HYMN #495

O let all who thirst

SCRIPTURE

Job 3:1-10
Joshua Chittum

PRAYER

All: Tend to our bitterness of spirit, mighty and merciful One.

West: Save us from hurts too long unforgiven and sufferings too deeply cherished.

East: Save us from cynicism too quickly felt and revenge too often sought.

West: Save us from loyalty too easily spurned and hope too soon abandoned.

East: Surprise us with your transformation.

All: In all the places we gasp for air, send us your Spirit.

In all the places we see few options, burst our tired old categories with your endlessly inventive possibilities.

In all the places we are so sure everything has died, infuse your unfailing, irrepressible life.**

SERMON

Holding in the grief
Renee Reimer

ANTHEM

Precious Lord

arr. Shackley/RPK

(Please reserve expressions of appreciation for Community Building time)

COMMUNITY BUILDING

SHARING JOY

We welcome the introduction of guests and visitors during this time. One way we get to know one another is by signing the friendship registers. Once the register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

SHARING CONCERNS

PRAYING TOGETHER

Slips of paper are available in the attendance register for those who wish to offer joys and concerns silently and anonymously. These papers, if put in the offering plate, will be placed in the prayer bowl at the front of the sanctuary.

OFFERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING

*HYMN #580

My life flows on



Children in K - 5th grade are dismissed for WorshipArts (Room 114), a time for children to respond to worship, ask questions and learn more about the language, ritual, movement, sound and art incorporated in worship.

*SENDING FORTH

L: We go from here, sure of what we hope for in a world that is not sure of anything.

C: We go, certain of what we do not see, into a world where “seeing is believing.”

L: We go, living by faith, in a world created and loved by God.**

*POSTLUDE

* Please stand as you are able.

Unless otherwise indicated, hymns are in the blue *Hymnal: A Worship Book*.

Songs designated “SJ” are in the green *Sing the Journey* hymnal.

Thank you Marina Kaufman for today’s bulletin artwork of the Burning Bush (Exodus 3:1-6).

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Now **Here** God

Here is a place for worship reflections. What are you sensing about God in the here and now?
What words, images or questions do you want to take with you into this new week?

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