



**JULY 2, 2017**

**Worship – 9:30 a.m.**

**Sunday School – 10:50 a.m.**

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**GATHERING**

PRELUDE

Rosi Penner Kaufman, organist

WELCOME AND PRAYER

David Stewart, worship leader

One: Come, let us worship God, who laughs and cries with us. Let us praise the One whose suffering encompasses the breadth of our pain, and whose delight surpasses our deepest joy.

**All: We worship the God who knows our thoughts and feelings even before we name them. We honor the One who welcomes our laments as well as our songs of thanksgiving. May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, O God. Amen.\*\***

\*HYMN #36

*God of our strength*

## STORYTELLING

CHILDREN'S TIME

David Stewart

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 58, Psalm 137

ANTHEM

*We are seething in our fury*  
(see last page for text)

Ensemble

SERMON

*Seeking more than a placid peace*

\*HYMN (see insert)

*Why do nations rage together (Psalm 2)*

## 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 #67 SJ

*Let there be light, Lord God*

\*SENDING FORTH PRAYER

\*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 to Jesse Graber for designing the map on the front of today’s order of worship. Serene Jones wrote this description of the Psalms in her book “Trauma and Grace: Theology in a Ruptured World.”

\*\* Adapted From *Words for Worship 2*, edited by Diane Zaerr Brenneman, ©2009 by Herald Press, Scottsdale, Pa.

Anthem text:

We are seething in our fury, anger festers into flame.  
We could kill! No judge or jury would convict or even blame.  
Shepherd, hear our cries, our furor; but, before you cool and tame,  
Share our pain, then, in your power, lead us from our fateful aim.

Worthless adversaries hurt us with a wrath we did not earn.  
Worthless partners all desert us; God seems distant, silent, stern.  
Spirit, hear our cries for vengeance! Let our indignation burn!  
Then come, heal our reckless nature, lead us from the rash and stern.

You who set the earth's foundations, comprehending our distress:  
Reconstruct our accusations and the violence we profess.  
Mason, hear our cries; rebuild us. Through your power to wash and bless,  
Lead a spring, a healing justice from our dregs of bitterness.

Text: James Hart Brumm (b. 1962)

Music: (AUTHORITY 8.7.8.7 D): Carol Doran, 1986

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