

# Voices of Conscience



SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School – 10:50 a.m.

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## GATHERING

PRELUDE

Karen Goering Hostetler, piano

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Nick Schroeder

One: Creator of Light, thank you for gathering us to this place of worship  
in the light of this day.

May your light comfort the hearts and minds of all who grieve this day.

(silent prayer)

May your light be present to those who struggle with illness.

(silent prayer)

May your light illumine our hearts and minds as we seek to know and  
follow Jesus.

**All:** *Send forth your light of healing and peace into all the world,  
we pray, in the name of Jesus, the light of the world. Amen.*

\*HYMN #121

*Holy God, we praise thy name*

## STORYTELLING

CHILDREN'S TIME

Sallie Page-Goertz and Eva Parsons

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 14: 22-33

ANTHEM

*Born of water, born of Spirit*

Gustafson

SERMON

*That sinking feeling*

\*HYMN #323

*Beyond a dying sun*

## COMMUNITY BUILDING

NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION: BRENDA FOSTER AND PAT PETERS

\*CONGREGATIONAL AFFIRMATION #777

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 *Calm me, Lord* (see insert)

*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 #118

*Praise God from whom*



*Children in K - 5<sup>th</sup> 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

One: May there be love and understanding in our hearts and in our world.

**All: May peace and friendship offer shelter from life's storms.**

One: May we be released from our deep fears and our fruitless guilt.

**All: *May we have the courage to speak truth against violence and oppression. Guiding Spirit, bless our journey with these good companions, that we may long for peace, making justice blossom on earth. Amen.***

## \*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.

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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## Calm me, Lord

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CALM ME, LORD 87, 97

Calm me, Lord, as you calmed the storm;

still me, Lord, keep me from harm.

Let all the tu - mult with - in me cease; en -

To repeat ad lib.  
fold me, Lord, in your peace.

Final  
Lord, en - fold me in your peace.

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