

OCTOBER 19, 2014

Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School – 10:50 a.m.

*We come together as worshipping communities, not because we are perfect but precisely because we are not. So, week after week, we gather to draw the holy into life.
We expect to hear, to taste, to see, to touch, to remember,
and to imagine God in our lives.***

PRELUDE

Rosi Penner Kaufman, Accompanist

WELCOME

Duane Graber, Worship Leader

*CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 90

L: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

C: Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

L: Teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.

C: Have compassion on us! Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

*HYMN (see insert)

I owe the Lord a morning song

CHILDREN'S TIME

Sallie Page-Goertz

ANTHEM

All creatures of our God and King

arr. Shaw

SCRIPTURE

John 12:1-3 and 2 Corinthians 2:14-17

CONFESSION***

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

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

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

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

L: Surprise us with your transformation.

In all the places we gasp for air, breathe your sweet fresh Spirit.

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

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

All: Neither be content with us as we are nor let us be content as we are.

Instead lead us into new worlds of your making. Amen.

SERMON

A fragrant faith

*HYMN #57

Come and give thanks

COMMUNITY BUILDING TIME

- Introductions

We are glad you are here. Once the attendance register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

- Joys and Concerns

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.

- Prayers of the People****



Like burn-ing in - cense, O Lord__ let my pray-er rise to__ you.
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I call out to you come quick - ly My song cries - out to__ you.
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Let me speak your truth watch o - ver all I say. Keep me far from those who do harm.
Guard my life for you; __ spare me from all wrong. Keep all e - vil far from my heart.

- Announcements
- Offering

*HYMN #226

You are salt for the earth



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

*SENDING FORTH

L: Go in the spirit of Jesus, who proclaimed God's loving care.

**C: Where there is illness or injury,
may there be healing.**

L: Where there is loneliness and isolation,
may there be companionship and renewed community,

**All: Where there is conflict and broken relationship,
may God's peace be restored.**

*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.

** Quote by Janet R. Walton, Professor of Worship at Union Theological Seminary

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Now **Here** God

Here is a place to write down or draw what you sense about God in the here and now.
What did you hear, see, touch, taste, smell, remember or imagine today?

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