



**OCTOBER 16, 2016**

**Worship – 9:30 a.m.**

**Sunday School – 10:50 a.m.**

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**GATHERING**

PRELUDE

Rosi Penner Kaufman, Accompanist

WELCOME

Phil Rhoads, Worship Leader

PRAYER

L: The heavens declare

**All: *and we declare  
the glory of God.***

L: Our voices join the speech of creation

**All: *to tell of our known and unknowable God.***

L: Now may these words of our mouths

**All: *and these meditations of our hearts  
be pleasing in God's sight  
and life-giving in our world.\*\****

\*HYMN #46

*I sing the mighty power of God*

CHILDREN'S TIME

Sallie Page-Goertz

# STORYTELLING

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 3:1-15

PRAYER

L: Holy One, untamed by the names we give you,  
in the silence name us

*All: that we may know who we are,  
that we may hear the truth you have put in us,  
that we may trust the love you have for us,  
which you call us to live out  
with our sisters and brothers in your human family.*

L: Holy One, untamed by the names we give you,  
in the silence name us. \*\*\*

(silent prayer)

ANTHEM

*Come and find the quiet center*

Ann Krentz Organ

Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead  
Find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed  
Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes that we can see  
All the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace  
God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, touches base  
Making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun  
Raising courage when we're shrinking, finding scope for faith begun.

In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain,  
Let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain:  
There's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care  
In the Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare!

Come and find the quiet center, be at peace in God.

SERMON

*G-d*

\*HYMN #299

*New earth, heavens new*

## 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

\*HYMN #414

*God, who stretched*



*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.*

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

\* Please stand as you are able.

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

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

\*\*Written by Joanna Harader, inspired by Psalm 19

\*\*\*Adapted from *Sing the Story* #143

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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