

August 9, 2020

Before service speak silently to the Lord, during the service let the Lord speak powerfully to you.

## Service for the Worship of God



Our Mission is to be a  
community of disciples  
with a heart for God  
and hands to help others.

\* = All who are able please stand. ♦ **boldface** = congregation participates

### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Lord you are with us wherever we go, and we give thanks that you are here now.  
Help us to be with you! Call our attention to you in this time of worship. Amen.

### GATHERING MUSIC

(9:00am) *In the Garden* arr. Steven Scott

Darlene Richards

(11:15am) Hymn Medley

Richard Sutton

*In The Garden, How Great Thou Art, and Amazing Grace*

## Gathering in the Lord's Presence

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God is calling our names,

**People: Jesus wants us to join him,**

Leader: Will we dare to step out of the boat?

**People: Will it be sink or swim... or walk?!**

Leader: The Holy Spirit is with us, giving us courage and faith.

**ALL: Let us worship God!**

#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Admitting Our Brokenness)

God, we are all wet. We tried to walk on water with you, but we fell in. We messed up, we ignored you, we thought we could do it on our own. Even under the water there were moments when we swan down instead of grabbing your hand. Forgive us God, for making a sopping wet mess of everything. Help us to dry off a little, and try again. To act with love, to believe in your grace, and to remember that you are a God of second chances.

#### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Friends, hear the good news: Jesus Christ loves us, and we are forgiven. It is as simple and beautiful as that!

**People: Praise be to God! Alleluia!**

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

## Hearing the Word

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SPECIAL MUSIC

(9:00am) *Cello Suite Number 1*, Bach.

offered by Christine Kaminski on Clarinet

(11:15am) *Living Hope*

offered by Lydia Wolfe on Piano

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 14:22-33

*Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, Jesus was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward the disciples on the sea. But when the disciples saw Jesus walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." Jesus said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when Peter noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."*

**RESPONSE:**

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE: *Lord or Lizards?*

## Responding to the Word

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR OFFERING

***THE LORD'S PRAYER***

## *Going Forth to Serve*

### **SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Sharing the Meal

**(ALL) Prayer after Communion:** Lord may this bread and this cup be a reminder of us to follow where you lead us, to love who you love, and to speak your name to all who have ears. Amen.

### **CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION**

### **PARTING MUSIC**

(9:00am) *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* arr. Tom Birchwood

Darlene Richards

(11:15am) *Open the Eyes of My Heart* by Paul Baloche

Richard Sutton

### **LEADING IN WORSHIP**

Lauren Cochran, Pastor

Leslie Menconi, Prayers

Darlene Richards, Organ

Richard Sutton, Piano

Caroline Wolfe, Reader

Matt Parker Wrzeszcz, Associate Pastor