



WEEKLY WORSHIP

love all ● live spiritually ● rejoice in hope ● show hospitality

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Community Prayer

In the flaming bush you promised deliverance to your people, O God, and in the cross of Jesus you embraced our suffering and pain. In times of misery, show us the transforming power of your love that we may know the hope of your glory. Amen.

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Call to Worship

One: Seek the Lord! Seek God in the wilderness.

Many: Seek God in the sanctuary.

One: Seek God in the burning bush.

Many: Seek God in the burning heart.

One: The Lord is here! This place is holy!

Many: We are standing on holy ground.

Sermon

From The Rev. Kara Hillhouse

Exodus 3:1-15

Who, Me??

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“Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, ‘I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.’ When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, ‘Moses, Moses!’ And he said, ‘Here I am.’ Then he said, ‘Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.’ He said further, ‘I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.’ And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, ‘I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.’

But Moses said to God, ‘Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?’ He said, ‘I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.’ But Moses said to God, ‘If I come to the Israelites and say to them, “The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,” and they ask me, “What is his name?” what shall I say to them?’ God said to Moses, ‘I am who I am.’ He said further, ‘Thus you shall say to the Israelites, “I am has sent me to you.” ’ God also said to Moses, ‘Thus you shall say to the Israelites, “The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you”: This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.’ ”



Scripture Reading

Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c

“O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples. Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually. Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered, O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

Then Israel came to Egypt; Jacob lived as an alien in the land of Ham. And the Lord made his people very fruitful, and made them stronger than their foes, whose hearts he then turned to hate his people, to deal craftily with his servants. He sent his servant Moses, and Aaron, whom he had chosen.

Praise the Lord!”



Prayers & Praises

August 30, 2026



Song of the Week

The God of Abraham Praise

The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above, the Ancient of Eternal Days, the God of love! The Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven confessed, we bow before your holy name, forever blest.

Your spirit still flows free, high surging where it will. In prophet's word you spoke of old and you speak still. Established is your law, and changeless it shall stand, deep writ upon the human heart by your strong hand.

Your goodly land we seek, with peace and plenty blest, a land of sacred liberty and Sabbath rest. There milk and honey flow, and oil and wine abound, and trees of life forever grow with mercy crowned.

You have eternal life implanted in the soul; your love shall be our strength and stay, while ages roll. We praise you, living God! We praise your holy name: the first, the last, beyond all thought, and still the same!



In Our Church

Family:

- Donna Baker
- Cec Burkhardt
- Joan Dietrich
- Polly Putney
- Bob Throop
- Marvin Thurber
- Phyllis Thurber
- Jessica Vocasek
- Roger Vocasek

Prayers for Rev. Bruce Frogge, Stephanie Frogge's brother, who is having serious health issues.

Prayers for Jim Christ's nephew, Dennis Christ, in Oregon, continued prayers for healing and comfort as he goes through chemotherapy.

Prayers for healing for Vince Ortega's sister, Linda De Los Santos, who has been diagnosed with liver cancer.

Prayers for Marvin and Phyllis Thurber, who have moved to Salt Creek Senior Living.

Prayers for healing for Kristie Christianson's mom, Lucy Reuter-Masek, after a mild stroke.

Prayers for Cec Burkhardt for continued healing.

Prayers for Bob Throop for continued healing and strength.

Prayers for Roger Vocasek as he looks for a job.

Prayers for Jessica Stehlik-Vocasek for her health issues.

Prayers for Katelynn Long for continued healing and strength.

Friends:

- Ron Collamore, *prayers for his health.*
- *Sympathy to the family of Bob Buckner.* Bob was a long time member of FCC and passed away recently.

Our Timothy

- Rev. Bruce Frogge, *Cypress Creek CC in Spring, TX*

In the Nebraska Region: SouthPointe Christian Church, Lincoln - Abby Conley

Our Global Ministries in: Angola

"God of justice, love, and liberation, we lift before You the people of Angola. Heal the wounds left by colonialism, the transatlantic slave trade, war, and oppression. Through Christ's liberating love, break every chain of injustice and restore hope where there has been pain. Amen."

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AUGUST

Call to Confession

One:

While we may yearn to be like Jesus, we know that in our hotheaded choices, our frantic lives, our impetuous words, we are too often like the disciples. Because of this, we come here today to remember that Christ is our Lord, and that he invites us to a better way—his way. Let us confess together our need for his saving presence in our lives.

Prayer of Confession

Many:

We look for you in all the wrong places, God of the lost, and wonder why we cannot find you. We wander the corridors of power, while you sit beside those with no home. We applaud those who win the race, while you cheer on those who finish last. Forgive us, O Lord, and have mercy upon us. Warm our cold hearts with compassion for all of your children. Give us your grace, that we may faithfully proclaim you as Lord and Savior: the hope, the joy, the peace the world seeks.

Good News of God's Grace

One:

Here, face to face, God meets us. Here, face to face, we can speak the truth of our imperfect lives without fear. Here face to face, God forgives us.

Many:

Here, face to face, we meet the One who has great compassion for us, and who forgives us of every sin. Thanks be to God. Amen.



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