

Wherever you are on faith's and life's journey, you are welcome here!

## Gathering

**Prelude** *Holy, Holy, Holy* by Victor Labenske; *Lord, Be Glorified/Sanctuary*  
arr. Fred Bock; *The Majesty and Glory of Your Name* by Tom Fettke

John Douglas and Jeffrey Segal

## Welcome

Mary Jacobs

### Invitation to Worship (Psalm 29, Isaiah 6)

Mary Jacobs

One: Give the Lord glory and power. Adore the Lord, resplendent and holy.

**Many: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is full of God's glory.**

One: The God of glory thunders. The Lord's voice flashes flames of fire.

**Many: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is full of God's glory.**

One: In God's temple, the people cry, "Glory!"

**ALL: God will give strength to the people, and will bless the people with peace.**

## Song of Centering

*You Are!*

Sing Prayer and Praise #56  
Tina Peterson, song leader

## Considering

### A Time for Our Younger Selves

Mary Jacobs

### Special Music

*For the Beauty of the Earth* by John Rutter

Chancel Choir

Directed by Tina Peterson

### Listening for the Word

Exodus 3:1-5

Lynn Dann

### The Word Today

*Sacred Earth, Holy Ground*

Rev. Doug Bland

**Responding in Song** *Creating God, Your Fingers Trace* Chalice Hymnal #335 vv 1,2,4

Tina Peterson, song leader

## Connecting

### Stewardship Reflections

Lynn Dann

### Offertory

*Earthscapes* by Tom Barabas

John Douglas and Jeffrey Segal

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As the offering is brought forward, join in singing: New Century Hymnal #562

***Take our gifts and let us love you, God who first of all loved us,  
Gave us light and food and shelter, gave us life and set us free,  
Now because your love has touched us, we have love to give away  
Take our gifts and let us share them, love and justice to convey.***

## Prayer of Gratitude

Lynn Dann

## Morning Prayers

Bill Jacobs

Unison Lord's Prayer (*translation from Original Aramaic by Neil Douglas Klotz*)

O Birther! Father- Mother of the Cosmos, focus your light within us - make it useful.

Create your reign of unity now. Through our fiery hearts and willing hands, help us love beyond our ideals and sprout acts of compassion for all creatures.

Animate the earth within us: we then feel the Wisdom underneath supporting all.

Untangle the knots within so that we can mend our hearts' simple ties to each

other. Don't let surface things delude us, But free us from what holds us back

from our true purpose. Out of you, the astonishing fire, Returning light and Sound

to the cosmos. Amen.

## Communion

Words of Institution

Bill Jacobs

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Malia Cary

Who is Welcome at This Table? All: ALL PEOPLE ARE WELCOME

## Opportunities to Love and Serve

Mary Jacobs

## Song of Going Forth

*Touch the Earth Lightly*

New Century Hymnal #569

Tina Peterson, song leader

## Blessing

Mary Jacobs

**Congregational Response** *Surely the Presence of the Lord* Chalice Hymnal #263

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place

I can see God's mighty power and God's grace;

I can feel the brush of angel's wings, I see glory on each face.

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

## Postlude

*Hymn of Promise* by Natalie Sleeth

John Douglas and Jeffrey Segal

***Be God's Beloved Community in the World!***

## Opportunities to Love and Serve

Sun, May 1 – Faith in Action invites you to hear  
Rev. Doug Bland of Interfaith Power and Light

Rev. Bland is a former pastor with a clear understanding of the theological underpinnings of environmental activism. He also is an active part of a nationwide Storytelling network of intercultural and interfaith professional storytellers who speak in their own cultural idioms about environmental justice work. **Please join him in the Fireside Room after service, for a timely conversation about caring for each other and all of Creation.**

√ **SATURDAY,**  
**MAY 7**

**Learning is a lifelong process.** Every relationship whether between two people or among a community can use new insights and “tune-ups” to grow in self-awareness and deepen connections.

**Last chance to sign up for Saturday’s ALL Church retreat** on the topic: **Changing Old Habits, Creating New Opportunities**, sponsored by the Transition Team and led by Rev. Dr. Karen McClintock, who will guide us in considering congregational connections and communication along with welcoming new pastoral leadership and relating in healthy ways with one another. Our noon meal is a potluck, so please bring something from home.

Church of the Foothills is taking the lead to collaborate with four other congregations to sponsor and support Afghan refugees. This sponsorship is coming together under Faith in Action Ministry with Gloria Wildman providing key leadership. There will be many ways members of ChOTF can be involved as we help a family find its way in a new country. Contact Gloria Wildman to get more involved.



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