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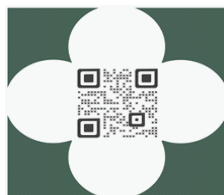
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Sunday, October 16, 2022

11:00 a.m.

Our Mission Statement

We are a community of faith united in exploring what it means to follow the way of Jesus Christ, to be a people of God, and to love and care for our neighbors. As a church we will know no circles of exclusion, no bridges we will not cross, and no loyalties above that which we owe to God.

Please respect those gathering in prayer before worship.

Welcome to Worship! We are glad you are here.

Masks are encouraged but not required.

Please notice and abide by signage around the church that designates areas where masks are required.

Children are a treasured part of this community! Please find a Worship Adventure Packet or a Busy Box at the tables in the foyers. Children are free to use these resources during the worship service as they sit in the pews or in the Wiggle Room.

Please take a moment to turn your cell phone ringer off. Thank you!



Prelude *The Representation of Chaos (The Creation)* - F. Haydn/arr. A.M. Trovato
Christian Broughton

Gathering Sandra Jones

Reading Midrash Kohelet Rabbah on Ecclesiastes 7:13

*Hymn *Touch the Earth Lightly* #569

Time with Children *Here: The Dot We Call Home* by Laura Alary
Pastor Anita Peebles

Song *My Rainbow Race* - Pete Seeger
One blue sky above us, one ocean lapping at our shore
One earth so green and round, who could ask for more.
And because I love you, I'll give it one more try
To show my rainbow race, it's too soon to die.

Time to Grieve

Litany of Grief Donna Ward

Please read responsively the **bolded** words.

One: Our planet is mourning, our Earth is grieving. The seas, harbinger of life, are warming. Coral bleached and dying mourn the fish who are no longer there.

All: **We grieve together.**

One: The forests mourn the fallen ones, ancient trees cut or killed by disease or greed.

All: **We grieve together.**

One: Villages flooded out of existence, people devastated, displaced, uprooted.

All: **We grieve together.**

*If it is comfortable for you, please stand where indicated.

One: Fellow creatures are gone, extinct. Only their memory lingers.

All: **We grieve together. May our mourning turn to action and our grief become hope as we listen to our grieving planet.**

Invitations to Involvement Keith and Cindy Ervin

Call to Giving and Call to Prayer Pastor Mario Seth Morales

*Prayer Hymn *We Cannot Own the Sunlit Sky* #563

Prayer Linda Zaugg

Stewardship Moment John Benner

Anthem *I am Your Mother* - Mark Miller Sanctuary Choir

Scripture Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Serena Sullivan

Sermon **Choosing Life in the Here and Now** Pastor Anita Peebles

Meditative Moment Clues for Living by Sisters of Mercy

Time to Act

Preparing to Act Sandra Jones

*Song *The Tide Is Rising* - Rabbi Shoshona and Meira Friedman see Insert

Benediction Pastor Anita Peebles

Postlude *The Heavens Are Telling (The Creation)* - F. Haydn/arr. W.T. Best
Christian Broughton

Please join coffee hour in person in the Parlor or Virtual on Zoom after the service.



Worship Notes: The cover art was created for Green Building Now by Marie Bouassi. Please see the QR code to the right to make a donation to Green Building Now.



TODAY, October 16
The Evergreen Region of American Baptist Churches (of which SFBC is a member) is having our **Annual Meeting in Denver** this weekend. Please keep our Executive Minister, Rev. Doug Avilesbernal and our whole Region in prayer as we gather in person and on Zoom.

Next Sunday, October 23 Pastor Mario preaching.

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