

# Order of Worship Service, Sept 6, 11 am

## **PRELUDE**

Water, Blood, and Spirit Crying— Jeffrey Blerish, set by Sandra Eithun  
(Hymn tune: FILTER)

## **CALL TO RETURN TO OUR SOULS**

**#345 Glory to God In an Age of Twisted Values**

## **CONFESSION AND COMMITMENT**

For the sin of silence,  
For the sin of indifference,  
For the secret complicity of the neutral,  
For the closing of borders,  
For the washing of hands,  
For the crime of indifference,  
For the sin of silence,  
For the closing of borders.  
For all that was done,  
For all that was not done,  
Let there be no forgetfulness before the Throne of Glory;  
Let there be remembrance within the human heart;  
And let there at last be forgiveness  
When your children, O God, are free and at peace.

--Chaim Stern

## **SUNG RESPONSE**

**Insert #2181 Sing the Faith We Need a Faith**

**Bible readings: Exodus 13: 17-22 Isaiah 30:21 John 14:1-6 Acts 24:10-14**

**Emma Witbolsfeugen**

## Sung Response to Bible Readings:

**#300 Glory to God We Are One in the Spirit**

### Message

**Question: “Is This the Way?”—Answer: “What Way?”**

### Anthem

**Carol of the Exodus —English, arr. Richard Shephard**

*Moses sing unto Christ thy King, who hath won the victory.  
And hath laid low mighty Pharaoh underneath the deep Red Sea.*

*Refrain.*

*Then merry, merry, merry, merry, merry let us be,  
As bird upon the berry of the May or cherry tree,  
While as we stand, with harp in hand, on the banks of the Red, Red Sea.*

*God perforce overthrew the horse, rider, car, and axle tree.  
They sank as lead and their men lie dead, dead as stone, so mote it be!*

*His right hand, and his wonderwand, did divide, at his decree,  
The surging wave, and thereby did save us and ours from slavery.*

*Thou didst blow, and entomb our foe at the bottom of the sea:  
And if dry shod we went o'er by God, be ascribed the praise to thee!*

## WELCOME

**Intercessory Prayer SCOTT**—-with comments by people on FB **DEANNA** will read these in spaces of silence)...conclude with the Lord's Prayer and then Sung Response

**Insert 2132 Sing the Faith Come, Ye Disconsolate**

### Solo offertory

**Sometimes a Light Surprises**

**Text, William Cowper; music, Craig Courtney**

**Josh Stark, bass**

## **Prayer of Dedication**

**It is through weakness and vulnerability  
that we learn empathy and compassion  
and discover our souls**

**Under the greatest adversity  
there exists the greatest potential for doing good,  
both for oneself and others.**

**The quality of human life on our planet  
is nothing more than the sum total  
of our daily interactions with one another.**

**Each time we help, or harm,  
we have a dramatic impact on our world.**

**There comes a time  
when we need to stop  
just pulling people out of the river.**

**We need to dedicate ourselves to going upstream  
and find out why they're falling in.**

**Compassion is the radicalism of our time.**

—Dali Llama and Bishop Desmond Tutu

**#52 Glory to God When Israel Was in Egypt's Land(Go Down Moses)**

## **BENEDICTION**

### **Sung Benediction Response**

**#740 Glory to God Lead Me, Guide Me**

**Postlude Blessed Assurance (BLESSED ASSURANCE) set by Mark Patterson**