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Welcome To Worship

June 18, 2023

9:30am



Welcome to this time of being with God and each other.

WAIT... WHAT? We Are Where?

...a labyrinthian walk with Betty Salamun

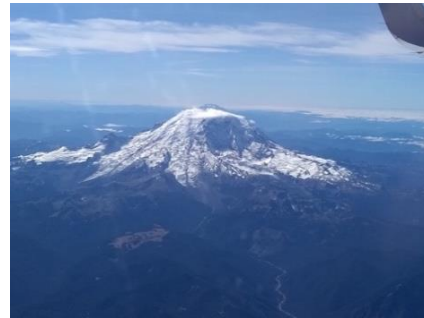
- ❖ **Welcoming Music**
- ❖ **Candle Lighting and Chimes**
- ❖ **Prelude: Zo Trembly**
- ❖ **Welcome and Community News**

- Pastor Trish is on vacation this week and returns next week with our theme for summer worship.
- A memorial service for Larry Hartman has been scheduled for Saturday June 24th at noon here at Tippe, with a potluck afterwards. We'll need assistance setting up a casual lunch in fellowship hall at 11:00am. And we may need drivers to bring non-driving friends. If you are planning on attending and are able to help please contact Pastor Trish.

❖ **Readying Ourselves for Worship**

**Surly God is in this place, Holy Ground
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- ❖ *Place “YOU-ARE- HERE” circles on
Lake Michigan’s eroding slope and Mount St Helen’s.*



A Responsive Reading: from *In Praise of Walking* Thomas A Clark (The Unpainted Landscape)

ONE: Early one morning, any morning, we can set out, with the least possible baggage and discover the world.

ALL: It is quite possible to refuse all the coercion... violence... property... triviality – to simply walk away.

ONE: That something exists outside ourselves and our preoccupations, so near, so readily available, is our greatest blessing

ALL: Walking is the human way of getting about.

ONE: Always, everywhere, people have walked, veining the earth with paths, visible and invisible, symmetrical or meandering.

ALL: There are walks on which we tread in the footsteps of other, walks on which we strike out entirely for ourselves.

ONE: A journey implies a destination, so many miles to be consumed, while a walk is its own measure, complete at every point along the way.

ALL: Walking is a mobile form of waiting.

AMEN

- ❖ **Checking-in with Ourselves and Each Other**
- ❖ **Joy of Passing the Peace**
- ❖ **Kid's Time**



This place where you are – right now –
God circled on a map for you.
Hafez

- ❖ **Gathering Hymn No. 385 *All People that on Earth Do Dwell* (Psalm 100) (Red Hymnal GTG)**
- ❖ **Opening Ourselves to God's Grace** more from *In Praise of Walking* Thomas A Clark (The Unpainted Landscape)
 - ONE:** What I take with me, what I leave behind, are of less importance than what I discover along the walk.
 - ALL:** Convictions, directions, opinions, are of less importance than sensible shoes.
 - ONE:** One continues on a long walk not by an effort of will but through fidelity.

ALL: Wrong turnings, doubling back, pauses and digressions, all contribute to the dislocation of self interest.

ONE: Climbing uphill, the horizon grows wider; descending, the hills gather round.

ALL: Walking is egalitarian and democratic; we do not become experts at walking and one side of the road is as good as another.

ONE: A day, from dawn to dusk, is the natural span of a walk.

ALL: There are walks on which I lose myself, walks which return me to myself again.

AMEN



Sharing our Inner-Most Lives with God

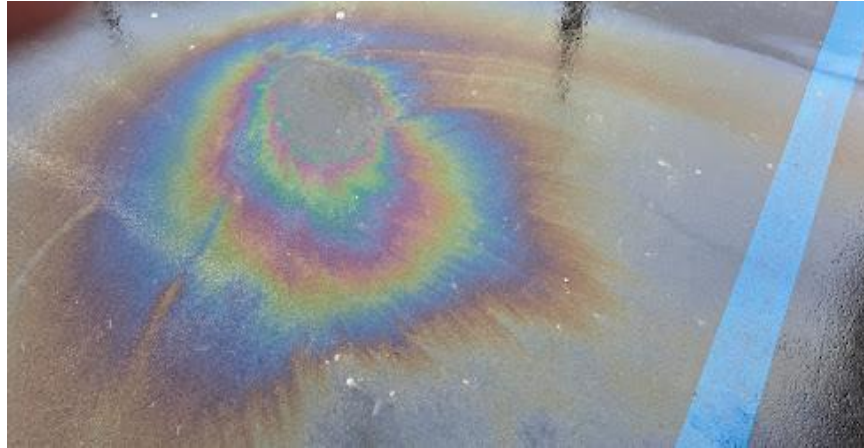
God, haven't I been here before? I seem to be walking in circles and it's all up hill. OH! ...it's like walking a labyrinth – a meandering circle yet a purposeful path that pushes me/us from the edge to the center and back out again, along the same path. In surrendering to this winding path, our intuitive, imaginative, creative parts come together and our souls find healing and wholeness. As our human hearts are stirred, we find connectedness to our world as our purpose for living.”*

**WALKING A SACRED PATH, Rediscovering the Labyrinth as a Spiritual Tool
Dr Lauren Artress, Pastor Grace Cathedral, San Francisco*

❖ Reflective questions

- How do you “I am here” circles connect the dots for you?
- What points to *your* true north on your maps?
- If you pick a statement from *In Praise of Walking* and substitute a word for ‘walk’ – like grace, hope, peace, spirit, love, breath – how does the meaning change?

❖ Message: WAIT... WHAT? We Are Where? Betty Salamun



- ❖ **Short period of silent reflection**
- ❖ **Sharing Our Wisdom**
- ❖ **Closing Hymn: No. 300 *We Are One in the Spirit* (Red Hymnal GTG)**
- ❖ **Community Prayers & Pastoral Prayers**
- ❖ **The Lord's Prayer**

**ALL: Oh God, you love us like a good parent, and are present in every aspect of our existence.
May your nature become known and respected by all.
May your joy, peace, wholeness and justice be the reality – for everyone as we live by the Jesus Way.
Give us all that we really need to live every day for you.
And forgive us our failures as we forgive others for their failures.
Keep us from doing those things which are not of you and affect our being centered in your love.
For you are the true reality in this, our now, and in all our future.
In the Jesus Way we pray. Amen**

(David Sorril)

- ❖ **Benediction**
As we move daily, walking within this spiritual space we call our lives, may we awaken to the deep rhythm that unites us to ourselves and to the light that calls from within.
Now that the worship has ended, may the service truly begin.
- ❖ **Our Response:**
~ Holy One, now we your servants go in peace. Your Word lives on in us.~
- ❖ **Postlude: Zo Trembley**