



St. Vincent UCC Live Stream Service
"Goin' Swimming?" Sunday August 9, 2020



Greeting from Pastor Susan Hanson

Prelude Music by Deborah Rick,

Church Musician

Call To Worship:

Pastor: Let us gather our hearts and minds together to worship God, who calls us his own.

People: We put our hearts in God's hands – eager to be closer to him and do his will.

Pastor: Then, let's sing together, our first hymn, "O Sing a Song of Bethlehem".

Hymn:

O Sing a Song of Bethlehem

(#51 UCC Hymnal)

O sing a song of Bethlehem, of shepherds watching there, and of the news that came to them from angels in the air: The light that shone on Bethlehem fills all the world today; Of Jesus' birth and peace on earth the angels sing away.

O sing a song of Nazareth, of sunny days of joy, O sing of fragrant flowers' breath, and of the sinless boy: for now the flow'rs of Nazareth in ev'ry heart may grow; now spreads the fame of his dear name on all the winds that blow.

O sing a song of Galilee, of lake and woods and hill, of him who walked upon the sea and bade the waves be still: for though like waves on Galilee dark seas of trouble roll, when faith has heard the masters word, falls peace upon the soul.

O sing a song of Calvary, its glory and dismay; of him who hung upon the tree, and took our sins away: for he who died on Calvary is risen from the grave, and Christ, our Lord, by heav'n adored, is mighty now to save.

Call To Prayer: God calls us to put aside our fears and doubts and trust in him. Let us pray together about that... **Prayer: God of All, we thank you that through your grace, you provide a way for us to become**

closer to you and be better disciples of your son, Jesus Christ. Help us in all things to find that way and follow your will. We pray in Jesus's name. Amen. Assurance: Through Jesus, all doubts and fears are

washed away, making us new people with new possibilities for God's blessings. Praise be to God. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Matthew 14: 22-33

Hymn:

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

(# 2191 Praise Book)

Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm does bind the restless wave, who bid the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep; O hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Savior, whose almighty word the wind and waves submissive heard, who walked upon the foaming deep, and calm amid the rage did sleep; O hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Holy Spirit, who did brood upon the chaos wild and rude, and bid its angry tumult cease, and gave for fierce confusion, peace; O hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and pow'r, all travelers guard in danger's hour; from rock and tempest, fire, and foe, protects them where-so-e'er they go; Thus, evermore shall rise to Thee glad praise from air and land and sea.

Pastor's Message: "Hold Me, Jesus!"

Special Music:

Keith Patterson, Director of Music Ministry

Prayer List / Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

Hymn:

"Here I Am, Lord"

I, the Lord of sea and sky I have heard my people cry - all who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save I who made the stars of night I will make their darkness bright - who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send? *Here I am, Lord is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night - I will go, Lord if You lead me - I will hold Your people in my heart*

I, the Lord of wind and flame I will tend the poor and lame - I will set a feast for them my hand will save Finest bread I will provide 'til their hearts be satisfied - I will give my life to them whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night - I will go, Lord if You lead me - I will hold Your people in my heart.

Benediction

Postlude Music

Deborah Rick, Church Musician