

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
United Church of Christ  
August 10, 2014**

*Those who are able may stand where marked (\*).*

Gathering #389 "Spirit of the Living God" *vs. 1, 3*

Welcome, Announcements and Opening Prayer *Ann Craxton*

Prelude: from "Flute Sonata #3 in G" *Handel*

Ministry of the Acolyte

Responsive Reading *1 Kings 19:9-18*

One: God said to Elijah, "Come out of your cave  
and stand on the mountain, for I am about to pass by."

**All: Suddenly there was a great wind, so strong  
it was splitting the mountains and breaking the rocks,**

One: but God was not in the wind.

**All: Then a mighty earthquake shook the whole mountain,**

One: but God was not in the earthquake.

**All: After the earthquake, there came a raging fire,**

One: but God was not in the fire.

**All: And after the earthquake, wind and fire,  
there was stillness, and then a still, small voice.**

One: And Elijah wrapped his face in his mantle  
and went out to hear what God would say.

**All: O God, in the loud, dramatic noise that fills our lives,  
help us hear your still, small voice today.**

\*Hymn #343 "Amazing Grace"

Special Music: "English Folk Song" *Williams*

Moments of Concern and Celebration  
(please fill out a blue card in the pew)  
Pastoral Prayer  
Savior's Prayer (trespasses)

Worship of God with our Tithes and Offerings  
Offertory Music from "Concerto #1 in F Minor"  
\*Doxology #815  
\*Offertory Prayer

\*Hymn #393 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

Scripture Matthew 14:22-33

Sermon "With Jesus in the Calm before the Storm"

\*Hymn #639 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" *vs. 1, 2 & below*  
**O Sabbath rest by Galilee, O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with Thee  
the silence of eternity interpreted by love.**

\*Benediction

\*Response #639 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" *vs. 3, 4*

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Postlude "Church Sonata" *Mozart*

*We offer our thanks to Marge Tassej  
who is bringing us our special music today.*