

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
August 31, 2014

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

Gathering #138

“Holy Ground”

Welcome, Announcements and Opening Prayer

Ann Craxton

Prelude and Ministry of the Acolyte

Responsive Reading

Psalm 136

One: We thank you, O God, the eternal I AM,
for your kindness endures forever.

**All: We thank you, O God, great Ruler of all,
for your kindness endures forever.**

One: You, you alone, work great wonders among us;
you, you alone, are Creator of all.

**All: You, you alone have delivered your people
time and again from oppression and death.**

One: You overcame our enemies, brought us through danger
into a broad land, abundant with life.

**All: You remembered us when we were poor, hurt and needy;
you rescued us, fed us and called us to share
your generous gifts with the wide world around us.**

One: We thank you, O God, for your gifts, for your calling,
we thank you, O God, the eternal I AM.

**All: We thank you, great Ruler, great Lover of all,
for your kindness endures forever.**

*Hymn #33

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

Special Music

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

*Doxology #815

*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn #604

“I Then Shall Live”

Scripture

Exodus 3:1-15

Sermon

“Here, at last, O God, I stand . . .”

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

*Hymn #399

“We Are God’s People”

*Benediction

*Response #237

“Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”

*Ministry of the Acolyte

Postlude

Very special thanks to Elaine Purcell who is filling in for
Dottie Morton.