Moment for Mission for the Indiana region

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The 2018 Indiana regional assembly’s theme was “Can We Talk?” And we did! We talked about immigration, about guns, about caring for God’s creation, whose lives matter, and who is welcome. All several hundred of us did this as the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Indiana, at our Regional Assembly held at Light of the World Christian Church, Indianapolis, Oct. 5 and 6.

This did not hit the national news, but it did hit close to home that in such a divisive time on so many topics, the church did come together and have conversation over issues that matter. Issues that we are so hesitant to talk about in so many other settings.

How were we able to do this? We celebrated in our assembly the sacredness of conversation among the people of God! Alan Roxburgh, consultant for the missional church, once posed the question: “Where is the Holy Spirit today?” Roxburgh stated that the Holy Spirit is among the people of God. This makes conversation among us in the church so important, and to take on the servanthood of listening to one another so vital.

So we worshiped together and we sat with each other and had conversation, affirming our Discipleship with one another. We then came home, affirming a most important gift in our assembling together – being among the people of God.