

Of Water and Spirit by Jan Richardson

3^{RD} Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 27, 2019 10:00 a.m.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

• Please rise in body or spirit.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME SONG All Who Are Thirsty Brian Wentzel

All who are thirsty, come to the waters. All who are hungry, come here and eat. All who are thirsty, come to the waters. There's enough for all.

WORDS OF WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT Deep River arr. Traditional Chancel Choir

Call to Worship

One: All who thirst, come to the water.

All: Come, all who are weary;

One: Come, all who yearn for justice, compassion and peace.

All: The Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ has washed over us,

One: And our gracious and holy God beckons and blesses us.

All: Drink deeply of these living waters.

One: Glory to you O God, glory to you.

All: Let us worship God!

• Hymn 463 How Firm a Foundation FOUNDATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Living Water, sometimes our lives are so parched. We thirst for prestige and possessions; the profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. Drawing from wells of this temporal world, we have insulated ourselves from those around us and have hardened ourselves to the needs of our neighbors. Yet you provide streams of living mercy; you invite us again and again to live renewed lives. Pour your forgiveness upon us, O God, and fill us with your grace. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: This we can trust: God's love is from everlasting to everlasting and God's mercy springs forth like an overflowing spring.

All: Thanks be to God.

One: God quenches our thirst with Living Water, with water from the well that will never dry up.

All: Thanks be to God.

One: Friends, believe the Good News:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

RESPONSIVE SONG

All Who Are Thirsty

Brian Wentzel

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON (page 623) Isaiah 43:1-2, 15-21 This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

TIME FOR CHILDREN Pam Torsiello

(Preschool-aged children may leave for childcare.)

SERMON Springing Forth The Rev. Julie Emery

• Hymn 484 Out of Deep, Unordered Water RUSTINGTON

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to Offering

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WESTMINSTER SHARES GOD'S LOVE

Len Oshinskie

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY MUSIC Deep River Douglas Wagner

Handbell Choir

• Doxology (Hymn 18) Hallelujah! Sing Praise to Your Creator

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

All: God let your justice and fairness flow like a river that never runs dry.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

• Hymn 170 You Walk along Our Shoreline WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

• Benediction

- Passing of the Peace of Christ
- Postlude

Deep River

Meditation by Stuart Duncan

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD IN MEMORY OF LINDA TORSIELLO BY THE TORSIELLO FAMILY.

Please remain after worship to extend Westminster hospitality to one and all, especially to guests and visitors. Please join us for refreshments in the foyer outside the Fellowship Hall.

Leaders in worship are the Rev. Julie Emery, Dr. Stuart Duncan and Pam Torsiello. Welcome Team Members are Nancy and George Dewey.*
Ushers are John and Laura Berman and Ann Cox.
Head Usher is Pam Rekow.
Audio Engineer is Janet Wade-Utay.

* If you are a visitor today, we're glad you're here! Please join us for coffee and fellowship after worship. Our Welcome Team Members are wearing green lanyards and are here to help in any way; please seek one of them out if you have any questions.

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