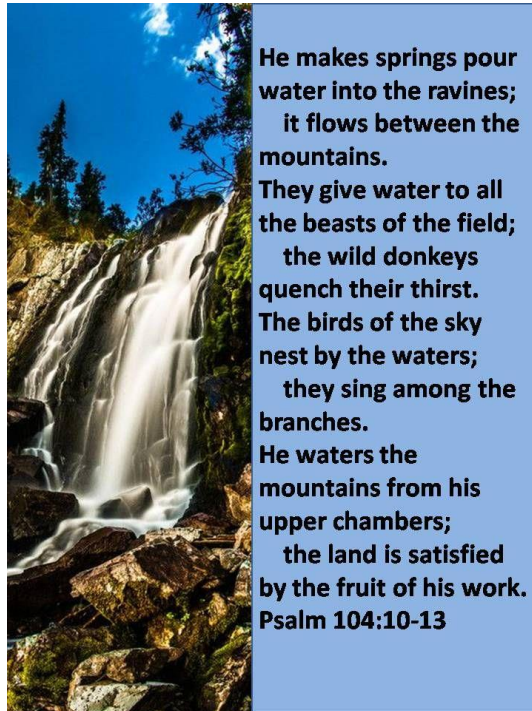


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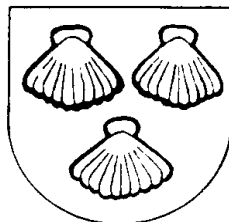


**August 4, 2024  
10:00 am**

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## Invitation and Gathering

**Prelude** "God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens" (Holy Manna) Dale Wood

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**Welcome**

***Rev. Patricia Abell***

**Gathering Song**

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (vs. 4)

***UMH 139***

1. Praise to the Lord who doth nourish  
Thy life and restore thee  
Fitting thee well for the tasks  
That are ever before thee  
Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed  
Spreading the wings of grace o'er thee

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**Call to Worship**

***Nancy Janson***

One: Come together, all who thirst!

**All: The Living Water is here, available to quench the thirst of all who seek it.**

One: Come together and remember the waters of baptism!

**All: The Living Water is here, washing away the past and sweeping us into a new future.**

One: Come together, all who wander in the desert, parched and weak, lost in the wilderness.

**All: The Living Water is here, clean water from the rock, an oasis in the struggle.**

One: Come together and receive Living Water, free and available to everyone.

**All: The Living Water is here! Let us worship at the fountain of life!**

**Opening Prayer**

***Nancy Janson***

**Creator God, you created a world with land and seas, teeming with life.**

**You created us with water, from water, and for water.**

**And just as water replenishes itself through processes of evaporation, precipitation, and filtration, we replenish ourselves when we gather together in this community of faith.**

**As we worship, let us be like trees planted by streams of water, showing leafy life and bearing fruit in season.**

**Quench our thirst with scripture, song, and truth. Amen.**

**Prayer of Confession**

***Nancy Janson***

**Creator God, you made a world where our water sources are renewed and refreshed so all living things will have the water we need, but billions of people live each day without access to safe drinking water.**

**You created a world where moving water keeps rivers, lakes, and oceans clean, but we confess that we pollute our water sources until these natural systems can no longer handle the waste.**

**You created a world with bountiful rainfall and reliable patterns, but we confess that climate change caused by humankind has changed these patterns, provoking drought and frequent flooding.**

**Help us choose your ways so we might steward our water resources well. Transform us into people who provide safe drinking water to the thirsty, protect clean water for our living environments, and hold the powerful accountable for polluting factors that create climate change. May the gift of clean waters flourish under our care and stewardship. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

***Nancy Janson***

ONE: In the name of Jesus you are forgiven.

**ALL: In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

**Passing the Peace**

***Nancy Janson***

The Peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

**\*Opening Hymn**

“This Is My Father’s World”

***UMH 144***

1. This is my Father's world  
And to my listening ears  
All nature sings and round me rings  
The music of the spheres  
This is my Father's world  
I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees of skies and seas  
His hand the wonders wrought

2. This is my Father's world  
The birds their carols raise  
The morning light the lily white  
Declare their maker's praise  
This is my Father's world  
He shines in all that's fair  
In the rustling grass I hear him pass  
He speaks to me everywhere

3. This is my Father's world  
O let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong  
God is the Ruler yet  
This is my Father's world  
Why should my heart be sad  
The Lord is King let the heavens ring  
God reigns let the earth be glad

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**Scripture**

**Psalm 104: 5-13, 25-26 (CEB)**

***Nancy Janson***

**Anthem**

“As the Deer” ***Reena De Berry and Rev. Patricia Abell, vocalists***

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**Message**

“Water Hydrates Life”

**Rev. Patricia Abell**

**Prayer of the People, Church & World**

**Nancy Janson**

**Response: Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.**

**Offering**

**\*Doxology**

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

**UMH 94**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise God All creatures here below  
Alleluia alleluia  
Praise God the source of all our gifts  
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts  
Praise the Spirit Holy Spirit  
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

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**Offering Prayer**

**Holy Communion**

**Rev. Patricia Abell**

**\*Closing Hymn**

“I’ve Got Peace Like a River”

**TFWS 2145**

1. I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river in my soul.  
I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river in my soul.

2. I've got joy like a fountain,  
I've got joy like a fountain,  
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.  
I've got joy like a fountain,  
I've got joy like a fountain,  
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

3. I've got love like an ocean,  
I've got love like an ocean,  
I've got love like an ocean in my soul.  
I've got love like an ocean,  
I've got love like an ocean,  
I've got love like an ocean in my soul.

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**Benediction**

**Rev. Patricia Abell**

**Postlude**

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" John Carter

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### Questions for Reflection

In John 6:26–27, Jesus says that people were looking for him not because they saw signs but because they had eaten their fill of the bread he had multiplied. What do you think he meant? What is “the food that endures for eternal life”?

#### Household Prayer: Morning

Holy One, as I move through this new day,  
I pray that you will keep me in union  
with the faith and knowledge of Jesus.  
I long to mature into the stature of Christ.  
Help me to speak the truth in love today,  
that I may grow into him,  
my savior, my teacher, and my friend, Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### Household Prayer: Evening

Thank you, God, for being my traveling companion today.  
Instead of counting sheep as I fall asleep tonight,  
help me to count all the forms that your manna took  
as you fed me with the bread of life today.  
Good night, God. I love you. Amen.

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