



Waterloo Christian Reformed Church

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Sunday August 9, 2020

We are now in the church season called **Common Time**.
Pastor Vicki will be focussing her sermons on the theme of water,
as used in the Bible, during this time.

This service will be held online using Zoom. A recorded copy of the service will also be posted on the WCRC website and be sent out for viewing at another time.

Preacher: Rev. Vicki Cok

Worship Leader: Scott Lammers

Pianist: Lisa Pardys

Liturgy: Don Bisch

Welcome and Announcements

We Gather for Worship

Call to Worship

All who thirst, come to the water.

Come, all who are weary; come, all who yearn for forgiveness.

***The Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ has washed over us,
and our gracious and holy God beckons and blesses us.***

Drink deeply of these living waters.

Glory to you, O Lord, glory to you!

Song of Praise: LUYH #332 – **As the Deer Pants for the Water**

- 1 As the deer pants for the water
so my soul longs for you, my Lord.
When can I come to you again
to praise you as before?

Refrain

Why should I let this sorrow fill my soul?
My life is in his hands; my hope is in the Lord;
and he, I know, will be my Savior still.

- 2 Day after day he sends his love;
I feel his peace come raining down.
I raise a song to him at night
like fire from the ground. ***Refrain***

- 3 Send me your light and truth to guide me
as I travel through this land.
Lead me to your holy dwelling
at my journey's end. ***Refrain***

God's Greeting

We Confess our Sins and Receive Assurance of Forgiveness

Call to Confession

When we gather to praise God,
we remember that we are people
who have preferred our wills to his.

Accepting his power to become new persons in Christ,
let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession:

***Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.***

Song of Confession: LUYH #616 (v 1 and 2) - **As a Deer in Want of Water**

- 1 As a deer in want of water,
so I long for you, O LORD.
All my heart and being falter,
thirsting for your living word.
When shall I behold your face?
When shall I receive your grace?
When shall I, your praises voicing,
come before you with rejoicing?
- 2 Bitter tears of lamentation
are my food by night and day.
In my deep humiliation
"Where is now your God?" they say.
When my sorrows weigh on me,
then I bring to memory
how with throngs I would assemble,
shouting praises in your temple.

Assurance of Pardon

To all who turn from sin in sorrow,
to all who turn to God in hope,
this is God's Word of grace:
We are accepted, we are forgiven, we are loved.
This gift we have from God.
Thanks be to God.

Song of Response: LUYH # 699 - **Like a River Glorious**

- 1 Like a river glorious
is God's perfect peace,
over all victorious
in its bright increase:
perfect, yet still flowing
fuller every day;
perfect, yet still growing
deeper all the way.

Refrain

Trusting in the Father,
hearts are fully blest,
finding, as he promised,
perfect peace and rest.

- 2 Hidden in the hollow
of his mighty hand,
where no harm can follow,
in his strength we stand.
We may trust him fully
all for us to do;
those who trust him wholly
find him wholly true. ***Refrain***

We Hear God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Holy Spirit,
pour out upon us
wisdom and understanding,
that, being taught by you in Holy Scripture,
our hearts and minds may be opened to receive
all that leads to life and holiness.
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. ***Amen.***

Scripture Reading: **Psalms 42 and 43**

Concluded with "This is the word of the Lord" and "Thanks be to God"

Sermon: **Deep Calls to Deep**

Moment of Silent Meditation

*Take a moment to reflect on what God's word might mean for your life or on a truth that spoke to you.
Please be still until after the pianist concludes this time of silence.*

We Respond with Gratitude

Song of Response: LUYH #329 – **Lead Me, Guide Me**

Refrain

Lead me, guide me, along the way,
for if you lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with you;
lead me my whole life through.

- 1 I am weak, and I need your strength and power
to endure with grace my weakest hour.
Help me through the darkness your face to see.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. ***Refrain***
- 2 Help me walk in the paths of righteousness;
be my aid when Satan and sin oppress.
I am trusting you whate'er may be.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. ***Refrain***
- 3 I am lost if you take your hand from me,
I am blind without your light to see.
Lord, forever may I your servant be.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. ***Refrain***

Prayers of the People (using Chat)

We will conclude this time of prayer with the Lord's Prayer:

***Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name;
your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil,
for yours is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever. Amen.***

Offering: **KidsAbility**

Diaconal Prayer

We Are Sent Out with the Spirit

Closing Prayer:

Grant, O Lord,
that what has been said with our lips, we may believe in our hearts,
and that what we believe in our hearts, we may practice in our lives,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Closing Song: LUYH #946 – **Go, My Children, with My Blessing**

- 1 Go, my children, with my blessing,
never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you;
you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river
I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing;
you are my own.
- 2 Go, my children, sins forgiven,
at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you,
what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son's story;
here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven,
at peace and pure.
- 3 Go, my children, fed and nourished,
closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving,
joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you;
here his tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished,
joyful and free.

Benediction and Choral "**Amen, Amen, Amen**"