



Waterloo Christian Reformed Church

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Sunday August 30, 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: Don Bisch

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 #567 – **Here I Am to Worship**

- 1 Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness,
opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore you,
hope of a life spent with you.

Refrain

Here I am to worship; here I am to bow down;
here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
altogether wonderful to me.

- 2 King of all days, oh so highly exalted,
glorious in heaven above.
Humbly you came to the earth you created,
all for love's sake became poor. *Refrain*

I'll never know how much it cost
to see my sin upon that cross.
I'll never know how much it cost
to see my sin upon that cross. *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.***

Assurance of Pardon

The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
He will not always accuse,
nor will he keep his anger forever.
He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
***For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far he removes our transgressions from us.
As a father has compassion for his children,
so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.***
—Psalm 103:8-13, NRSV.

Song of Response: LUYH # 747 – **Breathe on Me, Breath of God**

- 1 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love the way you love,
and do what you would do.
- 2 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until my will is one with yours,
to do and to endure.
- 3 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die,
but live with you the perfect life
for all eternity.

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: **Ezekiel 36:16-28**

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

Sermon: **Clean and New**

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 #861 – In Our Lives, Lord, Be Glorified

- 1 In our lives, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;
in our lives, Lord, be glorified today.
- 2 In our homes, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;
in our homes, Lord, be glorified today.
- 3 In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;
in your church, Lord, be glorified today.
- 4 In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;
in your world, Lord, be glorified today.

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: **Christian Horizons**

Diaconal Prayer

We Are Sent Out with the Spirit

Closing Prayer:

Loving God,
we await your blessing
so that we may be comforted
by the assurance that you will
be with us during the coming week.
Continue to speak to us as we seek your face.
***Guide us by your Holy Spirit.
Keep us close to you, we pray,
in every aspect of our daily lives,
that we may seek your honour and glory
wherever we are and in whatever we do.
We pray, anticipating your blessing,***

***for we pray in the name of Jesus,
our Savior and Lord. Amen.***

Closing Song: LUYH #928 – **Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service**

- 1 Lord, whose love in humble service
bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken,
worked your mercy's perfect deed,
we, your servants, bring the worship
not of voice alone, but heart,
consecrating to your purpose
every gift that you impart.
- 2 Still your children wander homeless;
still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom;
still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion
healed the sick and freed the soul,
use the love your Spirit kindles
still to make your people whole.
- 3 As we worship, grant us vision
till your love's revealing light
in its height and depth and greatness
dawns upon our quickened sight,
making known the needs and burdens
your compassion bids us bear,
stirring us to tireless striving,
your abundant life to share.
- 4 Called through worship to your service,
forth in your dear name we go,
to the child, the youth, the aged,
love in living deeds to show.
Hope and health, goodwill and comfort,
counsel, aid, and peace we give,
that your servants, Lord, in freedom
may your mercy know, and live.

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