

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

OUT OF COURTESY & RESPECT, PLEASE TURN OFF/MUTE  
CELL PHONES, AND OTHER DEVICES. THANK YOU!

\*Rising together in community, as we are able.

## +Music for Gathering

Welcome and Announcements *(Latecomers admitted)*

Prelude: "Come Drink Deep" by Carolyn McDade  
*(Latecomers admitted)*

Call to Worship

Chalice Lighting

Invocation

*(Latecomers admitted during hymn)*

\*Opening Hymn # 1064 "Blue Boat Home" *(insert)*

\*Responsive Reading # 729 "The Winds of Summer"

\*Congregational Covenant (Unison)

*Love is the spirit of this church and service is its law.  
This is our great covenant: to dwell together in peace,  
To seek the truth in freedom, and to help one another.*

\*Greeting the Holy in Our Midst *(Latecomers admitted)*

Blessing of the Back Packs

Communion of Names and Pastoral Prayer

+ Silence and Musical Meditation

\*Hymn of Reflection # 100 "I've Got Peace Like A River" v. 1-3

Messages for All Ages: "Water" by Rev. Lynn Ungar

"Spell of the Rain Gods" by Leslie Norris from  
Merlin & the Snake's Egg

Anthem: "Let The River Run" by Carly Simon arr. Jay Althouse

\*\*Offertory: "Down to the River to Pray" arr. Sheldon Curry  
*Barron Elementary School is our August "Share the Plate Partner"*

Hymn of Gratitude # 1010 "We Give Thanks" *(insert)*

"The Story of the Water Service" by Eliza Blanchard (adapted)  
"Introduction to the Water Ceremony" Sandy Farlow  
(adapted by Rev. Patrick Price)

Responsive Reading: "Blending Our Waters" *(insert)*  
by Rev. Dennis Hamilton

Water Communion

\*Closing Hymn # 1024 "When the Spirit Says Do" *(insert)*

\*Extinguishing the Chalice (Unison)

*We extinguish this flame but not the light of truth,  
the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment:  
These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.*

\*Benediction

(Please be seated)

Postlude: "Let The River Run"

Fellowship and Refreshments (Founders Hall)  
Church Chats (Sermon Discussion) (Sanctuary)

+(After the silence, please feel free to come forward and light a candle)

\*\*Offering: This church is supported by the pledges of our members and friends.  
The offering provides an additional opportunity for expressing generosity by those  
attending today's worship.

## OUR SHARED MINISTRY THIS MORNING

Worship Leader: *The Rev. Patrick Price*

Worship Associate: *Sandy Farlow*

Board Member on duty: *Sandy Farlow*

Facilitator:

RE Board Member on duty: *Brennan Hadden*

Interim Dir. Relig. Education: *The Rev. Jennifer Innis*

Ushers: *Mark and Victoria Rachel*

Flowers: *Provided by Jo Howser*

Musicians: *CUUC Choir and Christopher Wolff, Music  
Director*

Membership Representatives: *Sam and Sharon Nickols and Kim Hughes*

RE Greeter: *Angela Hathaway*

Audio/Visual Technicians: *Tobi Wainwright*

Fellowship: *Families whose last name falls between Veal  
thru Bethel*

Next Sunday – September 3 – "Transcendence" Guest Speaker – Finn Jones