

**SUNDAY SEMINAR SERIES, Sundays, January 12, 19, and 26 at 9:30 a.m.,** Fellowship Hall and Zoom. A series on Clean Water, in conjunction with the SPC Earth Care Committee, to be presented by Than Hitt, Bill Howard, and Kay Schultz.

**QUAKER MID-WEEK WORSHIP, Wednesdays, 3:00 p.m.,** SPC Sanctuary and Zoom. A guided meditation followed by silent worship.

**CELEBRATION OF LIFE: Joel Blunk, Saturday, January 18, 2:00 p.m.,** Sanctuary and Facebook Live!

**DEFEND YOUR RIGHTS FORUM, Sunday, January 19, 1:00 p.m.,** St. Agnes Catholic Community, 200 S. Duke St. The WVU Immigration Clinic and the West Virginia Innocence Project are holding meetings around the state to inform individuals of their rights and sign them up for the Defend Your Rights Project if they so wish.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER REMINDER.** No one should risk life, limb or property to get to the church. Sunday morning services (8:30 and /or 11:00 a.m.) and other events may be canceled or moved online if the pastor and other leaders cannot make it in safely. However, those who can get in safely are welcome to organize a service on their own using the order of service for the day, or something else. Bulletins may be found in the Narthex and online. Check the website or office phone (304-876-6466) after 7:30 p.m. on Saturday for Sunday cancellation notices. In general, when Jefferson County Schools are closed due to severe weather conditions, the SPC office will be closed and scheduled meetings will be canceled unless other arrangements are made.

## Prayer for Wholeness

Blessed river,  
speak to me of stillness and change.  
As your path caresses  
the skin of the earth,  
may I also dance  
over, through, and around  
the obstacles in my life.  
As your gentle strength and insistence  
carves the hardest stone,  
may I also know the value  
of holding my course.  
May I flow calmly  
and leap skyward in joy.  
Whisper your stories  
to my dreaming heart,  
and sing songs of the land  
to my awakened mind.  
Sweet River,  
please carry me home.  
Amen.

## Baptismal Blessing

The Spirit of the waters is with you.

*And also with you*

Lift up your hearts

*We lift them to the Spirit of the Waters*

Let us give thanks for the gift of life.

*God says, "Let there be," and there is!*

From you is born all ruling will,  
the power and life to do, the song that beautifies all —  
from age to age it renews.

To you belongs each fertile function:  
ideals, energy, glorious harmony —  
during every cosmic cycle.

Out of you, the royal priesthood —  
ruling principles, the "I can"  
of the cosmos ...

Out of you, the vital force  
producing and sustaining all life,  
every virtue ...

Out of you the astonishing fire,  
the birthing glory, returning light and sound  
to the cosmos ...

Again and again, from each universal gathering —  
of creatures, nations, planets, time, and space —  
to the next.

Truly — power to these statements —  
may they be the ground from which all  
my actions grow:  
Sealed in trust and faith.

Amen.

**Neil Douglas-Klotz**

## Baptismal Serenade

*How could anyone ever tell you,  
you were anything less than beautiful?  
How could anyone ever tell you, you were less than whole?  
How could anyone fail to notice that your loving is a miracle,  
how deeply you're connected to my soul?*