

And after the fire a sound
of sheer silence.

1 Kings 19:12

My soul thirsts for God.

Psalms 42:2

As many of you as were
baptized into Christ have
clothed yourselves with
Christ.

Galatians 3:27

“Declare how much God
has done for you.”

Luke 8:39

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To Our Guests
We are glad you are with
us. Please sign the guest
book by the front door and
fill in a visitor’s card from
the pew pocket. After the
service enjoy a cup of fair
trade coffee with friends in
the Fellowship Hall.

THE FONT OF IDENTITY

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+Introit 281 (6x)
Holy Spirit, come to us.

Proclamation
In life and death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God,
whom alone we worship and serve.

Call to Mercy
As a deer longs for flowing streams,
so my soul longs for you.
*My soul thirsts for God,
for the living God.*

+Response 626 (6x)
“As the Deer”

Prayer for Mercy

Response 288 (2x)
*Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.*

Declaration of Grace and Gratitude

***+Response 293**, v. 1 (2x)
*Loving Spirit, loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be,
you have drawn me to your wonder, you have set your sign on me.*

Blessing the World
Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico

Response 21, v. 1
*Many and great, O God, are thy works, Maker of earth and sky.
Thy hands have set the heavens with stars;
thy fingers spread the mountains and plains.
Lo, at thy word the waters were formed. Deep seas obey thy voice.*

First Pew

Response 21, v. 2
*Grant unto us communion with thee, thou star-abiding One.
Come unto us and dwell with us. With thee are found the gifts of life.
Bless us with life that has no end, eternal life with thee.*

Welcome and Parish Life

THE WORD OF HOPE

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Reading

Interlude

Lesson
Psalm 42

Sermon
“Streams of Mercy”

***Hymn 475**
“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

THE BREAD OF LIFE

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Prayer for Others

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory

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***Acclamation**
With believers in every time and place
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

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***Sending 291**, refrain (2x)
*Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free.
Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness,
wind, wind on the sea.*

***Postlude**

It is at the bottom where
we find grace; for like
water, grace seeks the
lowest place and there it
pools up.

Richard Rohr

*Please rise in body and spirit.

Lesson Translation
Nan Merrill Version

Prayer for Others
Mary Oliver

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Sunday, June 22

1 Kings 19:1–4 [5–7] 8–15a Psalm 42 and 43 Galatians 3:23–29 Luke 8:26–39
8:30 a.m. Early Service of Worship – Sanctuary
11:00 a.m. Service of Worship – Sanctuary and Facebook Live!
Summer Sunday Studio – Children K-5th Grade – Classroom 2
12:30 p.m. Youth Group Gathering – Downstairs

Wednesday, June 25

9:30 a.m. Guns to Gardens (G2G) Steering Team Meeting – Fellowship Hall

Saturday, June 28

1:00 p.m. Yarns & Threads Group – Fellowship Hall

Sunday, June 29

2 Kings 2:1–2, 6–14 Psalm 77:1–2, 11–20 Galatians 5:1, 13–25 Luke 9:51–62
8:30 a.m. Early Service of Worship – Sanctuary
11:00 a.m. Service of Worship – Sanctuary and Facebook Live!
Summer Sunday Studio – Children K-5th Grade – Classroom 2

MUSIC IN WORSHIP: The Introit is from the Taizé Community. The Opening Sung Response is a chant based on Psalm 42, harkening back to the early church tradition of singing Psalm 42 on the way to be baptized. The early 20th Century Response to the Prayer for Wisdom was inspired by the prophet Jeremiah. The late 20th Century Response to the Declaration is set to a folk melody. The mid 19th Century Introduction and Response to the First Pew was written in the Dakota language to fit the Dakota tune. The late 20th Century Sermon Hymn mirrors the Thanksgiving Over the Water in the Sacrament of Baptism. The Sending Refrain describes the breadth of experiencing the Spirit of God.

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Ordinary Time
Twelfth Sunday

June 22, 2025
11:00 a.m.

To Begin With, the Sweetgrass, excerpt

Someday I am going to ask my friend Paulus,
the dancer, the potter,
to make me a begging bowl
which I believe
my soul needs.

And if I come to you,
to the door of your comfortable house
with unwashed clothes and unclean fingernails,
will you put something into it?

I would like to take this chance.
I would like to give you this chance.

We do one thing or another; we stay the same or we change.
Congratulations if you have changed.

Let me ask you this.
Do you also think that beauty exists for some fabulous reason?
And if you have not been enchanted by this adventure—your life—
what would do for you?

Mary Oliver

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