



**September Theme:
What does it mean to be a people of WELCOME?**

**Welcoming Each Other Home!
Homecoming Sunday and Water Communion
Sunday, September 10, 2017, 11:00 a.m.**

Music for Gathering *Dianne Saichek, piano*

***Singing** “Welcome to the Circle,” by Betsy Rose *Guitars Aloud*
(Please see insert for lyrics.)

Welcome and Announcements *Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones,
Senior Minister*

Ring the Bell

Musical Meditation “Whoever You Are,” by Hal Walker
Alegría Singers, directed by John Ector; Chris Pasillas, piano

Call to Worship *Rev. Geoff Rimositis,
Associate Minister for Family Ministries*

Lighting the Chalice *Mira Biswas and Jonny Li*

***AFFIRMATION/AFIRMACION**

Love is the doctrine of this church,	<i>El amor es la doctrina de esta iglesia,</i>
The quest of truth is its sacrament,	<i>La búsqueda de la verdad es su sacramento,</i>
And service is its prayer.	<i>Y el servicio es su oración.</i>
To dwell together in peace	<i>Habitar juntos en paz</i>
To seek truth in freedom	<i>Buscar la verdad con libertad</i>
To serve humankind in fellowship	<i>Y servir a la humanidad juntos</i>
To the end that all souls may grow	<i>Con el fin de que todas las almas</i>
Into harmony with the divine,	<i>Puedan crecer en armonía con lo divino;</i>
This do we covenant with one another.	<i>Esto es lo que pactamos unos con otros.</i>

Introduction to Water Communion *Rev. Nancy
and Rodney Lemery, Intern Minister*

Gathering the Waters I: This summer I learned ...
Sally Cooperrider, flute
Sung Response # 1007 “There’s a River Flowin’ in My Soul”
Ben West and Rodney Lemery, signing

Story for All Ages *Water Dance, by Thomas Locker*
Bill Bowman, Worship Associate; Rev. Geoff, Rodney, and Rev. Nancy

Singing the Children and Youth Back to Their Seats
1007 “There’s a River Flowin’ in My Heart”

Gathering the Waters II: This summer I learned ...
Sung Response # 1007 “There’s a River Flowin’ in My Mind”

Special Collection: Julian Street Inn *Dianne Saichek, piano*

Gathering the Waters III: This summer I learned ...
Sung Response # 1007 “There’s a River Flowin’ in My Soul”

Blessing of the Water *Rev. Geoff, Rev. Nancy, and Rodney*

Turning Toward the Year *Rev. Nancy*

Theme Song 2017-18 “Love, Come Take Me Home,” by Clif Hardin
Alegría Singers, directed by John Ector; Chris Pasillas, piano

***Singing** “Welcome to the Circle,” by Betsy Rose *Guitars Aloud*
(Please see insert for lyrics.)

***Benediction** *Rev. Nancy*

*Please join us in Hattie Porter Hall following the service for Social Hour.
And please see the Announcements page for all who helped bring this service to life.*

