

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



“Water Is Life”

Homecoming and Water Communion

Sunday, September 9, 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Music for Gathering *Dianne Saichek, piano*

***Singing** #100 “I’ve Got Peace like a River” *Ben West, signing*

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

Ring the Bell

Musical Meditation *Patrick Smiley, harp*

Call to Worship From “At the River Clarion,” by Mary Oliver
Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones

Lighting the Chalice *Mira Biswas and Aerin Schmall*

***AFFIRMATION/AFIRMACION**

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

Story for All Ages *One Well: The Story of Water on Earth,*
by Rochelle Strauss, illustrated by Rosemary Woods,
adapted and expanded by Joyce and Rev. Nancy
Joyce Miller, Worship Associate

Children may return to their seats or go to the Wonder-Making Area!

Anthem “Water Is Life ~ Mni Wičoni: A Song for Standing Rock,”
by Sara Thomsen *Alegría Singers,*
John Ector, Choir Director; Christopher Pasillas, piano

Introduction to Water Communion *Rev. Nancy*

Gathering the Waters I: This summer I learned ...
Patrick Smiley, harp

Reading by Linda Hogan *Greg Smith, Worship Associate*

***Singing** #3 (purple) “Gracias por el amor” vv. 1-2

Gathering the Waters II: This summer I learned ...

Reading by John Muir *Eric Meece, Worship Associate*

Special Collection: Homeless Concerns Committee *Dianne Saichek*

Gathering the Waters III: This summer I learned ...

Readings by Cecelia Rose LaPointe *Eric Meece*
and by Mel Hoover and Rose Edington *Greg Smith*

Blessing of the Water *Rev. Nancy and Susie Idzik, Interim DRE*

***Singing** #1007 “There’s a River Flowin’ in My Soul” *Ben West*

***Benediction** by Kayle Rice *Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones*

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

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

