

May 11, 2025

10:00 A.M.

**Order for Our Worship of God**

(\*those who are able are invited to stand)

Welcome

Prelude                      “Shall We Gather at the River”                      arr. Raney

Call to Worship

The God of day and darkness moves among us...

**We are the people of Living Water.**

The God of hope and promise lives among us...

**We are the people of Living Water.**

The God of the lost and lonely calls us by name...

**We are the people bathed in the Living Water of Creation, God’s kin,  
traveling toward home and a love that will not let us go. Amen.**

Opening Prayer

**Holy One of the morning, we come together to remember who we are and  
whose we are. Open our hearts to the nudging of your Spirit that moves  
among us, empowering us to listen, to nurture, and to care for all creation.  
Give us eyes to see when you break into our lives through all you have  
made and wash us once again in your life-giving waters. Amen.**

\*Opening Hymn                      “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”                      No. 400

Passing the Peace

Prayer for Illumination

**God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul. Pour out  
on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that our hearts and minds  
may be opened. Amen.**

Scripture Readings                      John 10:22–30, Revelation 7:9–17

Choral Anthem                      “Water to My Soul”                      Edwards & Stone

Sermon                      “Springs of Living Water”                      Rev. JongIn Lee

\*Hymn of Reflection                      “You Who Are Thirsty”                      TFWS No. 2132

Prayer Time

The Giving of Our Offering

Offering Song                      “Deep River”                      arr. Shackley

\*Presentation                      “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”                      No. 95

\*Prayer of Dedication

**God, you have delivered us from hunger and from thirst by the fruits  
of your creation. The gifts you have given overflow before us.**

**In return, we offer these gifts back to you, and back to those who suffer  
from ecological degradation and climate change. May the gifts we give  
enable the building of the healed world envisioned in Revelation. Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn                      “Baptized in Water”                      TFWS No. 2248

\*Blessing

Postlude                      Allegretto Giocoso from “Water Music Suite”                      Handel

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**WE WELCOME ALL** to this service of worship including newcomers and  
visitors among us.

**PARTICIPATING IN OUR SERVICE** ~ Participating this morning are Rev.  
JongIn Lee, Pastor; Dr. Russell Wagoner, Director of Music/Organist; and Pat  
Meyers, Liturgist. We appreciate them sharing their gifts with us as we gather  
to worship and praise God today!

**BOOK CLUB** ~ For May our meeting will be on Thursday, May 22, at 10:30 am, we will be reading *By Any Other Name* by Jodi Picoult. From the *New York Times* bestselling author comes an inspiring novel about two women, centuries apart—one of whom is the real author of Shakespeare’s plays—who are both forced to hide behind another name. Come to Book Club for the always lively discussion on Thursday, May 22.

**GARDEN NEWS** ~ Please consider donating to the Garden Fund to help purchase plants and supplies for the 2025 growing season. Donations can be made online to the designated Garden Fund or by placing a donation in the offering plate on Sunday specifically marked “Garden.” For your convenience, donation envelopes are available in Christian Passageway on the table at the garden door as well as in the narthex.

**BLESSED BARGAINS THRIFT SHOP** ~ Sign-up sheet for volunteers is posted in the sorting room. Please stop by and sign up to help. There is always something that that needs to be done as new items are arriving regularly! Please share posts and stop by with friends to support our beautiful shop!! Any questions, please contact Barbara, Joan, or Diane.

**PASTOR:** *Rev. JongIn Lee*

**LAY LEADER:** *Dave Murray*

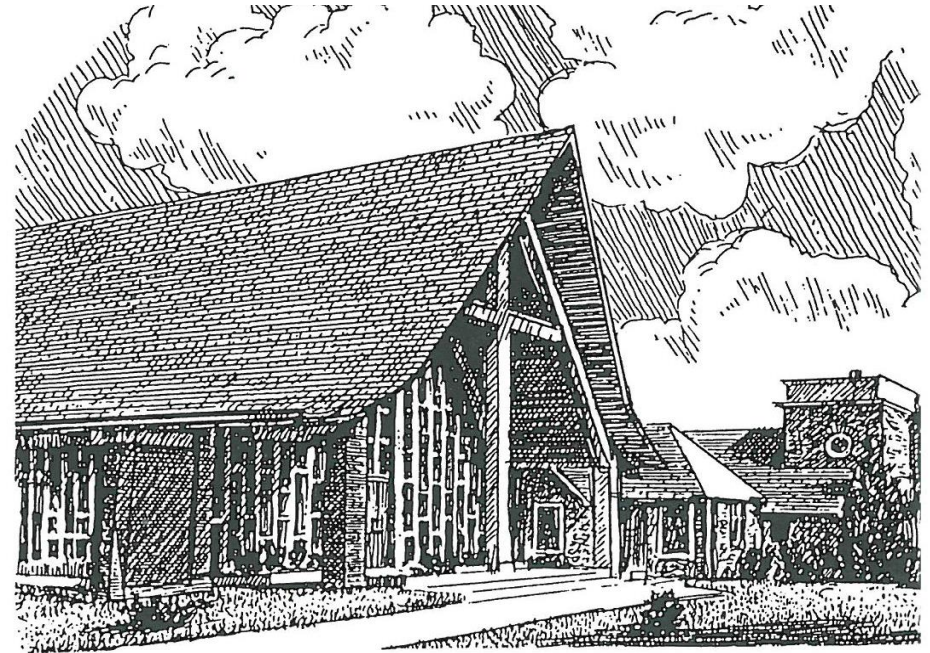
**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/ORGANIST:** *Dr. Russell Wagoner*

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**AN INVITATION**

*To all who would know God and do God's will;  
To all who would live and work to make  
Jesus' love alive in the world;  
To all who seek comfort and would find rest;  
To old and young, rich and poor, saint and sinner,  
This church opens wide its doors  
And—in the name of Jesus the Christ—  
Bids you welcome to this house of the Lord!*