

The earth was formlessness and void and darkness covered the face of the deep chaotic waters, while a spirit from God swept over the face of the waters.

Genesis 1:2

The voice of the LORD is over the waters.

Psalms 29:3a

When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied.

Acts 19:6

And just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him.

Mark 1:10

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THE FONT OF IDENTITY

Introit

Take me to the water.

Take me to the water.

Take me to the water to be baptized.

Glory hallelujah.

Glory hallelujah.

Glory hallelujah to be baptized

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 Prayer

Lift up your hearts

We lift them up to the Lord

Prayer

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+Hymn 484

“Out of Deep, Unordered Water”

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.

Declaration of Grace & Gratitude

Passing the Peace

Blessing the World

Belgium, Luxembourg, Netherlands

First Pew

Welcome and Parish Life

Minute for Mission

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THE WORD OF HOPE

Reading

Interlude

Lesson

Mark 1:4-11

Sermon

“On Rioting and Realm of God”

Hymn 375 (v. 1, 3, 4)

“Shall We Gather at the River”

THE BREAD OF LIFE

Prayer for Others

Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

Response Baptismal Serenade (3x)

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!

Ordination and Installation of Deacon and Elders

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory

Credo

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.

Charge and Benediction

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+Sending Hymn 489 (v. 1-2)

“Wonder of Wonders, Here Revealed”

Water carries our thoughts and prayers, as you are water yourself. No matter where you are, your prayers will be carried to the rest of the world.

Dr. Emoto

Nothing is softer or more flexible than water, yet nothing can resist it.

Lao Tzu

A drop of water, if it could write out its own history, would explain the universe to us.

Lucy Larcom

All water is holy water.

Rajiv Joseph

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the Price family fund

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Shepherdstown Presbyterian Church: An Inclusive Spiritual Community. We welcome all who long for meaning, hope, and belonging. Our faith & practice are rooted in the way of Jesus and enriched by wisdom from all sources. We are committed to being and becoming people of radical compassion, working for justice and wholeness in ourselves and the world.



Sunday 10 • Baptism of the Lord

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship via Facebook Live!

3:00 p.m. Car-Entourage

Tuesday 12

7:00 p.m. Teach the Preacher via Zoom

Thursday 14

7:00 p.m. Stated Session meeting via Zoom

Saturday 16

8:30 a.m. Men's virtual breakfast via Zoom

10:00 a.m. Deacon Shepherds meeting via Zoom

Sunday 17 • Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20); Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship via Facebook Live!

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CARDS OF HOPE. Youth and congregation members are invited to create cards for the Washington County Human Development Council (44 residents + 21 staff) Drop off cards in the Portico in a card collection bin (to the right of the church if you're facing it)

CAR-ENTOURAGE, January 10th @ 3:00 p.m. For More information contact: Morgan Sell morgansell311@gmail.com 304 270 6880 or fill out this form <https://forms.gle/1XHcTaxZN64xVJY57>

GLIMPSES OF GRACE: COMMUNAL REFLECTION. **Worship on Sunday, January 24,** invites the congregation to share your written stories of glimpsing grace throughout this season. Stories should be 1-2 pages long and emailed to the church office no later than 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 20.

SUNDAY SEMINARS 2021 During the winter and early spring of this new year we continue our explorations of racism and racial justice. We will take up *How to be an Antiracist* by Ibram Kendi. Kendi dives deep into the difference between being "not racist" and "antiracist".

Why is this difference so critical for us to understand? As the fight against racism takes center stage in American life, examining our assumptions is essential for us to see all forms of racism clearly and take action. Please join us **January 24 at 9:30 a.m.** for our discussion of the Introduction and Chapters 1 and 2. Watch this space for a zoom meeting link to join the conversation. Books are on order at Four Seasons bookstore and will be available January 11. The cost per book with discount and tax comes to \$24.56. Make sure you tell them it's for the SPC seminar so they'll included the discount.

MINUTES FOR MISSION highlight the various ministries supported by SPC through your pledged giving. For more information on these ministries, please visit the "Ministries" tab of the SPC website. If you feel inspired to make an additional contribution to these ministries, you may do so online or by check (note the name of the ministry in the memo section).

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Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2021

11:00 a.m.

Water

Here and Now

I evoke the elemental force of Water,
the fluid of infinite shapes and forms.

Flowing source of adaptability, emotion, and life,

I seek the pure spring within
that I might drink deep of
change, relationship, nourishment, & grace.

I call you forth to wash away
all that needlessly binds
and to move fluidly in this world.

Ocean & River

Ripple & Rain

Water, I call thee hence.

Tricia Bowman

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