



# Come Seek *Living* WATER

**WORSHIP OF GOD | SEPTEMBER 21, 2025**

**First Rochester | An American Baptist Church**

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**Joshua Johnstone, music director | Samuel Baker, organist**

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Feel free to use any gender-neutral language in hymns or responses.*

Prelude *Jerusalem, My Happy Home* arr. George Shearing

Chiming of the Hour

For Meditation *Come and Seek the Living Water*

Music for Meditation *Crown Him with Many Crowns* arr. J. Johnstone

Welcome, Invocation Jean Garling

Invitation To Worship (from the Song, *For Those Tears I Died*, used and adapted for worship)

One: And Jesus said, "Come to the water, come stand by my side, I know you are thirsty, you won't be denied."

**ALL: We are thirsty, and we come as seekers to be satisfied.**

One: Jesus said, "Anyone who believes in me, may come and drink."

**ALL: We gather to encourage our belief and to drink, let us worship.**

\*Hymn *Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah* #501

Morning Prayer: Sharing our joys and concerns Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon  
with unison Lord's Prayer

Special Music *O, Colored Earth* Steve Heitzeg

First Rochester Volunteer Choir with Section Leaders:

Naomi Chad, soprano; Arianna Potluri, mezzo; Zachary Thompson, tenor; Ashton Rapp, baritone

Children's Time Eliecia Young

\*Hymn *God Is So Good* See page 3

Biennial Reflection One Marcia McCarthy  
Scripture *John 4:7-15*

Biennial Reflection Two Rev. Ivan Marable  
Scripture *John 4:31-38*

Biennial Reflection Three Tasha Wilson  
Scripture *Psalms 63:1-4*

# Giving our Gifts to God and Dedication

Music for Response      *Rondeau* (from The Gordian Knot Untied)

H. Purcell

\*Doxology

*We Give Thee But Thine Own*

***We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be.  
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.***

Invitation to Mission and Ministry

Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon

\*Closing Hymn

*All Who Are Thirsty*

See pages 4 & 5

Benediction

Postlude

*Laudation*

G. M. Martin

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## God Is So Good

CCLI#8879992/Glory to God Hymnal

The musical score for 'God Is So Good' is presented in two systems. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn, and the second system contains the final four lines. Each line is accompanied by a four-part vocal harmony (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves.

1 God is so good; God is so good;  
2 God cares for me; God cares for me;  
3 God loves me so; God loves me so;  
4 God is so good; God is so good;

5 God is so good; God's so good to me.  
God cares for me; God's so good to me.  
God loves me so; God's so good to me.  
God is so good; God's so good to me.

# All Who Are Thirsty

"For He has satisfied the thirsty and filled the hungry with good things." Psalm 107:9

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♩ = 160

The piano introduction consists of two staves in 6/8 time. The right hand features a series of chords, some with a grace note, while the left hand plays a steady eighth-note bass line.

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The vocal melody begins on the eighth measure. The lyrics are: "All who are thirst - y, and all who are weak, Come to the foun-". The piano accompaniment continues with the same bass line and adds chords in the right hand.

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The vocal melody continues from the previous system. The lyrics are: "- tain; Dip your heart in the stream of life. Let the pain and the sor-". The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and the bass line.

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The vocal melody concludes in this system. The lyrics are: "- row be washed a - way In the waves of His mer - cy". The piano accompaniment ends with a final chord in the right hand and a sustained bass note.

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Chorus

as deep cries out to deep... We sing "Come, Lord Je - sus,  
"Ho - ly Spir - it,

27

— come. — Come, Lord Je - sus, — come. —  
— come. — Ho - ly Spir - it, — come. —

33

Come, Lord Je - sus, — come. — Come, Lord Je - sus, —  
Ho - ly Spir - it, — come. — Ho - ly Spir - it, —

39

$\text{♩} = 120$   $\text{♩} = 100$

*f* *ff* *fff*

— come. —  
— come. —

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# ONE GLOBAL SERVANT SPOTLIGHT



See, I am doing a new thing!  
***Now it springs up;***  
do you not perceive it?

ISAIAH 43:19

## PROVIDING **Global Healthcare**

### **KRISTY ENGEL**

Kristy Engel is a global consultant with a healthcare focus and is a trained pediatric nurse practitioner. She recently served internally displaced people in Ukraine who are suffering the impact of war. She assists in providing healthcare to refugees and, in doing so, offers the hope of Jesus Christ. Kristy also served 12 years in the Dominican Republic, leading teams and working with public health issues. Kristy helped coordinate the 2010 Haiti earthquake relief and worked in Liberia during the 2014 Ebola outbreak. She provides health assessments, training, clinical skills, partner consultation, and crisis relief throughout the world. A hallmark of Kristy's work is teaching about Asset-Based Community Development (ABCD).

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

- 1** Pray for my continued safety and health as I travel.
- 2** Pray as I work with my service dog, Mia.
- 3** Pray for discernment about new projects and ongoing ministry.

Join in and give to this and other **Global Servants** around the world. The **World Mission Offering** will be collected on the Sundays of September 21 and 28. Please use the envelopes in the pews or write WMO in the memo line of your check. Thank you!

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## INVITATION TO MISSION AND MINISTRY

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***We welcome you to First Rochester, regardless of race, class, gender, physical challenge, place of origin, or sexual orientation. If you're new with us, please fill out the connection card found in your pew and drop it with the offering. We look forward to getting to know you better!***

### **TODAY:**

- Our children will be excused for Sunday School following Children's Time with Children's Choir during 2nd Hour.
- Join us in the Garden Room, adjacent to the sanctuary for fellowship following worship.
- There will be a 2nd Hour program beginning around 11:20 in the sanctuary led by Tasha Wilson on the ABC-USA structure and organization. Come learn more about American Baptists.
- We appreciate the numerous volunteers who make Sunday worship and programs work.

### **THIS WEEK:**

- OWLS (Older Wiser Learning Seniors) on Thursday, September 25, will feature *Rock and Roll Bingo*. Chair exercise at 11:30 AM. Lunch and program at 12:15 PM. Donations welcomed. Please RSVP to [kandeetabor@gmail.com](mailto:kandeetabor@gmail.com).

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Over the next two Sundays, we will be collecting a farewell purse for Emma Unkrich, our previous mezzo Section Leader for five years. Emma will be visiting with us on October 5 so we can officially say goodbye to her and wish her all the best in her next endeavors. We will accept your checks for the next two Sundays and cash gifts only on Oct. 5 before worship. Book Club will meet on September 23 at 11:30 to discuss *Harlem Shuffle* by Colson Whitehead.
- Wednesday Studies will resume in the fall on Wednesday, October 1, with a Bible study on the book of *Timothy* for two weeks, followed by a study on the book of *Titus* for one week, both led by Pastor Joanne. Plans are underway for a study on the book of *Ephesians*, a Service of Gratitude in November, and a three-week Advent program to conclude the 2025 programs.
- On October 22, 6PM, The Interfaith Rochester Housing Action Collective will hold a seminar at First Rochester, discussing the issue of homelessness in Monroe County. More details soon.
- Save the dates: Special Advent Music in worship featuring our Adult Choir on December 7, and our Children's Christmas Program on December 14.

### **GIVING:**

- Today and next Sunday, we're collecting the ABC International Ministries' World Mission Offering. This is your chance to support Global Servants around the world and be a part of the exciting work God is doing through global missions. For more details on one of the recipients, check out page 6.
- Communion Sunday Giving. Each first Sunday of the month, the Missions Team is asking the congregation to donate jams, jellies, and Chef Boyardee products for the Center for Youth.
- Next Sunday during 2nd Hour, any interested individual, not already engaged in one of our 2nd Hour programs, may choose to gather in the parlor to send out cards of healing, sympathy, encouragement, and care to those among us in need.

### **SIGN-UPS AVAILABLE IN THE GARDEN ROOM:**

- Please sign up if you plan to join our bible studies on Wednesday evenings, 10/1 to 11/12, if you want to receive our shared prayers each week, or our weekly email news and information.
- Our after-worship fellowship time has many openings this fall to provide a light snack (that you provide or the church provides). Please consider signing up to serve one Sunday.
- Be an usher/greeter or reader this fall. The new sign up sheet for November and December is now available.

### **MEETINGS:**

- Missions Team—September 28 following worship in the library.

