

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	<i>Jerusalem, My Happy Home</i>	arr. George Shearing
Chiming of the Hour		
For Meditation	<i>Come and Seek the Living Water</i>	
Music for Meditation	<i>Crown Him with Many Crowns</i>	arr. J. Johnstone
Welcome, Invocation		Jean Garling
Invitation To Worship (from the Song, <i>For Those Tears I Died</i> , 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	<i>Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah</i>	#501
Morning Prayer: Sharing our joys and concerns with unison Lord's Prayer		Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon
Special Music	<i>O, Colored Earth</i>	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	<i>God Is So Good</i>	See page 3
Biennial Reflection One Scripture	<i>John 4:7-15</i>	Marcia McCarthy
Biennial Reflection Two Scripture	<i>John 4:31-38</i>	Rev. Ivan Marable
Biennial Reflection Three Scripture	<i>Psalm 63:1-4</i>	Tasha Wilson

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

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;

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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

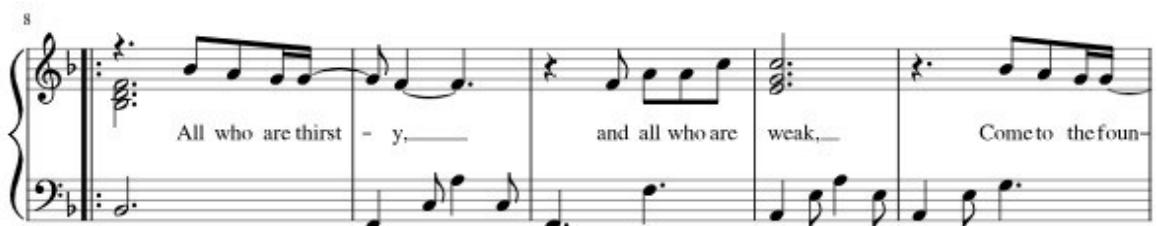
"For He has satisfied the thirsty and filled the hungry with good things." Psalm 107:9

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All who are thirst - y, and all who are weak, Come to the foun-

13



- tain; Dip your heart in the stream of life. Let the pain and the sor-

17



- row be washed away. In the waves of His mer - cy.

22

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

Chorus

27

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

33

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

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— 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

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.

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.

