



ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 5, AD 2023
11 am



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Colton Underwood

Prelude

Sonata I in A minor by Johann Joachim Quantz

Rachel Ciraldo, flute

Steve Gustafson, piano

***Welcome and Call to Worship**

From Isaiah, Revelation, John, the Psalms

Let the one who is thirsty come;
With joy we will draw water from the wells of salvation.

Let the one who desires take the water of life without price.
To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life.

For there is a river, whose streams make glad the city of God.
The river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb.

Whoever believes in me, says Jesus, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.
Lord, give us this water always! Irrigate our praise with your Spirit as we raise our souls and voices to you.

***Hymn of Praise**

No. 268 "God, Our Father, We Adore Thee"

BEECHER

***Blessing God**

***Scriptural Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

Gracious and loving heavenly Father, the prophet's words chill us, for they ring true. You spoke, "My people have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water." We have drunk from polluted wells, even teaching ourselves to like the taste. Wells fouled with distraction, avarice, envy, selfish ambition, ingratitude, revenge, unbelief and futile hiding of truth. Now we are so thirsty! Nothing satisfies but you. Give us to drink of Christ's blood this day, from the cup of his suffering that tastes to us like cool, clear living water. Forgive us, cleanse us and make our hearts true. Amen.

***Silent Confession**

**Standing*

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Response**

SOLID ROCK

**My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand - all other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.**

***Greeting and Announcements**

Children Kindergarten and younger may go to Children's Church.

Offertory

"Living Waters" by Kristyn and Keith Getty and Ed Cash

Are you thirsty? Are you empty? Come and drink these living waters.
Tired and broken, peace unspoken, rest beside these living waters.
Christ is calling, find refreshing at the cross of living waters.
Lay your life down, all the old gone, rise up in these living waters.

There's a river that flows with mercy and love, bringing joy to the city of our God;
There our hope is secure, do not fear anymore, praise the Lord of living waters.

Spirit moving, mercy washing; healing in these living waters.
Lead your children to the shoreline, life is in these living waters.

Are you thirsty? Are you empty? Come and drink these living waters.
Love, forgiveness, vast and boundless, Christ, he is our living water.

Please place your prayer requests and offerings in the plate as it is passed.

***Response Doxology**

REGENT SQUARE

**Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One,
One in might and One in glory while unending ages run.**

***Prayer of Dedication**



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

No. 462 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

BRADBURY

Time with God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

John 4: 4-15

And he had to pass through Samaria. So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

The secret things belong to the LORD our God.

But what has been revealed belongs to us, and to our children forever.

That we may do all the words of this law.

Sermon

Gerrit Dawson

"Sir, Give Me This Water!"



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

*Hymn of Response

No. 89 "Our Great Savior" (vs. 1-3 & 5)

HYFRYDOL



LORD'S SUPPER

Sacrament of Communion

The Exchange of Love

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!
We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Communion Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Communing in Christ
Prayer of Thanks

Please remain seated while an elder serves you the communion elements.

Communion Meditation



BENEDICTION

*Response

Blessed be the LORD I AM, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, amen!

Postlude



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Get Your Mutt Blessed Today! Join Scott Graham, and his sheepadoodle Schubert, in front of the Sanctuary beginning at 12.30 pm to have your dog blessed at the Krewe of Mutts parade.

So Loved Parents' Night, Thursday, February 9. Parents of So Loved (birth-PreK) children, it's your turn for a Parents' Social! Join us for an evening with other parents in the same stage of life on Thursday, February 9, 6 to 8 pm at Hattie and Jonathan Guidry's (1401 Knottaway Drive, St. Gabriel). RSVP to Jessica (jessica@fpabr.org).

Romania Road Trip Presentation. Come see—in pictures and stories—the power of Christianity at a special presentation of the last Romania mission trip. Gee Gee Hargon and Whitney Alexander will share their experiences on Thursday, February 9, from 6.30 to 8 pm in room 202.

Loving Our rEcess Families, Friday, February 10. Once a month, volunteers spend a few hours playing with the children of families affected by disability while parents enjoy a night out. Contact Jess Conciencie if you would like to participate in rEcess (jess.conciencie@gmail.com or 225.892.3212).

Love Is In the Air! We are celebrating women in the 40s/50s age range, but truly anyone is invited to a GALentine's social Thursday, February 16 from 6 to 8 pm at Mary Ann Yeargain's home. Please RSVP to Jaime at jaimie@fpabr.org.

Congregational Meeting, Sunday, February 26. The session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, February 26 at 10.10 in the Sanctuary. The purpose is to receive a report on 2022, hear a presentation from The Foundation, propose the 2023 budget, elect at-large members to the nominating committee and conduct any other business that is before us. These annual meetings give us a great opportunity as one church to give thanks for all that God has done and is doing in our midst. There will be no adult Sunday school classes that day.

Men's Ministry Fly-Fishing Trip. Men's Ministry is going fly-fishing March 2-5. QR Code is below or visit fpabr.org for details.

"Journey" Class at the Chapel Starts Today. "Journey: God's Heart for the Nations" is a limited edition missions course offered at The Chapel-LSU. The course meets Sundays, February 5-March 26, 12.30 pm to 3 pm. More information is online (chapelbr.com).

Come and Get Come and See! In this year's Lent book, we will be engaging the conversations Jesus had with people in John's Gospel. Books will be available at church beginning February 19. Come and pick up a copy for you, a friend, and someone you know who has difficulty getting to church. We will not be delivering books this year, except to those who are homebound. If you can't get here, let us know. Meanwhile, sign up for the daily emails (fpabr.org) and a homegroup by contacting Kelly Wood (kelly@fpabr.org)!

Calling All Artists! We are inviting you to create works to be displayed as a part of our Lent celebration. The theme of this year's study is "Come and See: Asking Jesus in the Gospel of John." Please contact Emily Viguerie with questions and details (emily@fpabr.org).

The Chapel and Sanctuary flowers serve to honor a departed loved one or celebrate with thanksgiving cherished people or events. Please contact Kathy Mullins if interested in donating (603.4735).

Scripture for Next Week: John 4: 27-45
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livestreamed.
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