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Living Water by Lauren Wright Pittman



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The lectionary for Year A offers us many stories of Jesus encountering people who are seeking: Nicodemus comes to him in the veil of night, he approaches a Samaritan woman at a well, he heals a man born without sight. In these stories, each person is seeking a new beginning, a different life, and a deeper faith. This Lent, we invite you to engage in the spiritual practice of seeking. We encourage you to stay curious, open, and nimble. We pray that these questions will create a safe space to explore, to be drawn more deeply into the fullness of life and into the heart of God. Seeking: Honest questions for deeper faith. Will you give me a drink?

> Please silence your cell phones during this time of worship. *Please stand in body or in spirit.

The Passing of the Peace The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

The Chiming

The Welcome

The Prelude Panis Angelicus, César Franck

The Call to Worship

Amanda Bass and Congregation

We gather together, the seekers and the dreamers, in hopes of seeing God. We gather together, the curious and the lonely, **in hopes of finding peace**. We gather together, those who are thirsty and those with water to spare, in hopes of experiencing grace and mercy. So come to the well, to find living water. And come to the table, to find the bread of life. Come, let us worship. Amen.

*The Hymn Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing, No. 45 Congregation

Congregation

Ionathan Oblander

Rev. Dr. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

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The Call to Confession

Today, we will hear the story of the Samaritan woman, who in the heat of the day meets Jesus at a well and he asks her for a drink of water. When was the last time you drew water for someone else? Or, even for yourself? Let us trust that even if we forget our bucket, God will still meet us at the well.

The Choral Worship

Open Thou Mine Eyes, Harlan

The Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we have been on both sides of this story. We have been the one who is thirsty and in need of compassion and we have been the one with a bucket and a deep well. So today, we wonder: How often have we missed the opportunity to share water with our neighbors? How often have we forgotten we have a bucket that can bring about change? Forgive us of our selfishness and our neglect of those in need.

The Words of Forgiveness

Hear the Good News: God's love is deeper than any well. Jesus loves us and by his grace we are forgiven. Amen.

*The Hymn

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus, No. 477

Children, ages pre-K to 3rd grade, will leave for their time of worship and exit through the door located to the left of the pulpit.

*The Gospel Lesson

John 4:5-15

The Sermon

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The Observance of Communion

The Bread of Life The Cup of Salvation Rev. Dr. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

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Rev. Susan Reed

Chancel Choir

Congregation

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Congregation

Debra Reh

Ionathan Oblander

Congregation

Rev. Dr. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

Jonathan Oblander

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Foster Sterling Burba, my dear husband and my sister Glenna Whittaker's brother-in-law

Prayer Concerns:

Sympathy to Linda Bloxam in the death of her father, Tom Bloxam. Dorothy MacLaren, health concerns; Joelle Leiferman, health concerns; Jean Henry, health concerns; Dick and Lucille Brown, health concerns

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The Offertory Élevation, Francois Couperin

*The Congregational Response Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

*The Benediction

*The Postlude

Fugue in F, Alexandre Guilmant



*The Offertory Prayer

We All Come Thirsty (ST. COLUMBIA)

We all come thirsty to the well, to seek the living water. With wounds and pasts we'd rather hide, but letting our hearts soften. We care for God's community, our mutual aid shared freely to all we give as we receive with grace and loving deeply.

*The Hymn

Serving and Growing Together

Winter Missions Collection

Throughout February and March we will be collecting hats, gloves, and scarfs (child and adult sizes) that will be used in Missions boxes for next Christmas. Donations may be left in the Love in Action bins.

Pickleball

Pickleball is on Tuesdays @ 6:30 p.m. ALL skill levels are welcome.

Reach Alerts

For up-to-the-minute updates about worship, events, and other important happenings at BBC, please sign up for our Reach Alerts! Go to www.broadwaybaptist.org and scroll down to the bottom of our homepage to sign up.

Women's Spring Luncheon

Everyone is welcome! Join us on March 18 at 11 a.m. for the annual Women's Spring Luncheon. There will be a silent auction, raffle, and entertainment by Jonathan Oblander! \$25 per person. Reserve and decorate a table of 8 and invite your friends to attend, or RSVP to Donna Williams at (502) 774-0515 or donnaleawilliams@gmail.com by today (Sunday, March 12). Come to Friendship Hall after worship to make a reservation, or to pay your \$25. All proceeds fund local, state, and worldwide missions.

Silent Auction

Last call to accept Women's Spring Luncheon silent auction donations is Tuesday, March 14. Please call Connie Rogers at (502) 592-9392 to coordinate.

Bells Rehearsal

Bells rehearsal is every Wednesday at 6 p.m. For more information, please contact Steve Lin.

Book Sale

Books are available in the FLC to browse and purchase (honor system jar) until after service on Sunday. These are left over from the Missions Sale and proceeds benefit Deaf Teen Quest and Partners in Development, Zambia.

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Easter Egg Hunt

April 8 at 10 a.m. Stay tuned for more details!

Sanctuary Flowers

If you would like to sponsor flowers for the sanctuary on Sunday mornings, these are the available dates for 2023: July 30 August 6 Please contact Nancy Stopher (stopher@bellsouth.net) to reserve your Sunday.

Wednesday Night Dinners and Bible Study

We begin with an informal, catered meal from 5:30– 6 p.m. At 6 p.m., we will share prayer concerns and have Bible Study. Chancel Choir rehearsal will begin at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome, but reservations are required. Please make your meal reservation(s) by noon on the MONDAY prior to the dinner. Cost is \$10 per person for ages 13 and up, \$3 per person for Kindergarten–6th grade, and Pre-K is free.

March 2023 Dinner Menus

3/15/2023	3/22/2023
Chicken Cacciatore	Beef Tips & Mushrooms
Rice	Buttered Parsleyed Noodles
Garlic Bread	Broccoli Salad
Spinach & Strawberry Salad	Warm Biscuit
	3/29/2023
	3/29/2023 BBQ Pork Sandwich
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Chenoweth "Charger Bags"

Each week we pack bags to be sent home on the weekends with students from Chenoweth Elementary who are living with food insecurity. In the past we have fed 25-30 students, but this year the need has increased to 150. Our partnership with the Greek Orthodox Church and the Missions Committee helps offset the cost of food - but we need your help! If you are able - the following food items are useful and can be placed in Love in Action bins around the church:

Ramen noodles, hearty canned soups or ravioli with pull-top lids, NutriGrain bars, granola bars (no nuts or peanut butter), oatmeal packets, individual applesauce or pudding cups, etc.

If you'd like to join the team helping to pack the bags each week, please contact Susan in the church office or at **susanr@broadwaybaptist.org**

Missions Sale Report

What a wonderful weekend! Thanks to all who donated items, spread the word, and worked before/during/after. Not only did we have record revenue (\$15,000) but we had more shoppers than ever (574) Deaf Teen Quest uses their portion for summer camp for many teens, not just the 6 who worked on Saturday. Partners in Development, Zambia supports safe water, rural health clinics, and education for girls. Wayside Mission and KY Refugee Ministries also benefited from the sale (truckloads full)!

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