PRELUDE: Schubert Serenade INTROIT: As The Deer WELCOME: SHEEP PEN: Splish Splashin' Around \*CALL TO WORSHIP (inspired by Water and the Holy Spirit!) ONE: What do we know about water? ALL: Water creates and sustains life! ONE: Good! What else? ALL: Water makes its way everywhere, even into the smallest spaces, cramped and tight. ONE: True! How do we feel about water? ALL: Water is powerful; it deserves our respect and protection. ONE: Indeed. And why are we grateful for water? ALL: Water refreshes and renews us, hydrates and cools us. ONE: Who do we thank for the gift of water? ALL: We thank God - whose Spirit hovered over the waters of chaos; whose Son got down into the waters of Baptism with us; God who calls us all His beloved children. ONE: Word? ALL: Word! **OPENING PRAYER:** 

ONE: Let us pray: ALL: We come again to consider the waters of Baptism and its refreshing, renewing, sustaining, creating, and remaining presence in our lives. We come, thankful that the waters of Baptism have made their ways into the tightest places in our lives – reminding us we are forever connected and protected as beloved children of God. We come, ready to receive again the blessings of these waters in the name of Jesus who abides in us through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## **OPENING HYMN: Baptized in Water**

## CALL TO CONFESSION:

ONE: Let us pray: ALL: God, we hear your voice calling to us and reminding us of your love. We hear your voice, Jesus, calling to us to repent and believe the gospel's good news of repentance and forgiveness. We hear your voice, Holy Spirit, giving us right directives, Still, we choose paths of resistance - listening to the voices which lead us astray – choosing actions and words which get in the way of our seeing your image in all of your beloved children – and even in ourselves. Forgive us! Remind us of the waters of baptism and cleanse our hearts that we may again follow you on paths of goodness, justice and truth. Amen.

ONE: Let us pray now - with the Spirit - quietly in the stillness of our hearts...

# MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ONE: Sisters and brothers, God offers forgiveness of our sins and the grace of repentance. Accept God's grace, repent of your sin, and be restored to abundant life.

ALL: Thanks be to God! Amen.

#### \*RESPONSE: GLORIA PATRI \*PASSING OF THE PEACE: ONE: May the Peace of Christ be with all of you. ALL: And also with you. ONE: Let us share a sign of Christ's peace with each other in community. WORDS & GESTURES OF PEACE SONG OF PRAISE: Come Thou Long Expected Jesus (GTG #82) PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION: ONE: Let us pray: ALL: Holy Spirit, illumine our understanding and inspire our response to God's holy word. Amen. SCRIPTURE READING: Genesis 1: 1-4 Mark 1: 1-17 RESPONSE TO THE READING OF GOD'S WORD ONE: This is the Word of the Lord! ALL: Thanks be to God! Sermon Series: Spirit-Inspired Week six MESSAGE: Spirited Waters Rev. Mark Piedmonte

Renewal of Baptism HYMN: All Things Bright and Beautiful (GTG #20) PRAYERS FOR JOYS AND CONCERNS THE LORD'S PRAYER ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

# DOXOLOGY/DEDICATION

**BURNING QUESTIONS?** 

\*CLOSING HYMN: Eternal Father, Strong to Save (GTG #8)

ONE We believe in God who speaks through the prophets and lifts our gaze up to high and beautiful paths and peaks.

ALL: We believe in Christ Jesus, free of corruption yet willingly numbered among the sinners, baptized in the waters of the Jordan.

ONE: We believe in the Spirit who rested on Jesus like a dove, and who inspired him with such love as the world has not seen before or since.

ALL: We believe that those who are baptized into Christ shall share his Spirit, his mission and his ultimate victory over sin and death.

ONE: We believe that there is no human ability that cannot be enlarged, and no weakness that cannot be used by Christ to the praise of God.

ALL: We believe that this believing is a gift from God, not to be used for self-gratification but for the building up of the church and for humble service the world

ONE: We believe in ourselves as baptized children of God, the recipients of a healing grace which precedes and supersedes all our efforts to be true.

ALL: With the help of God, we will attempt to live our beliefs all the days of our lives, and by his grace, dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Amen!

\*BENEDICTION: Go Now In Peace

Go now in peace...never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there, watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. POSTLUDE: Chopin Prelude 6

#### **SESSION**

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Cathy Leyden (Moderator)	Sophia Macrides	Pat Rouch	Lynda Truitt	
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BUILDING AND BUSINESS	TEAM			
PERSON	NEL		Vernon Davis	
FINANCE			Richard Holland	
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SEWING SEEDS OF LOVE			Debbie Frene	
HOSPITALITYDebi Cook				
*ALL are invited to serve, a	•		0	
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# **BUCKINGHAM** PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



June 23, 2024 11am Traditional Service Rev. Mark Piedmonte Music Director – Gregory Fraser

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