



Thanksgiving for Baptism

Water, water everywhere, even some to drink.

Water, water everywhere, in every tub and sink.

Water for all life on earth,

Water as witness to every new birth.

Water, longed for in deserts so bare.

Water, a gift so precious to share.

Water in bottles, in cups, in glasses,

Water washes our hands and eyelashes.

Water carries God's promise forever,

That nothing can us, from God's love, sever.

Water, in baptism, carries the hope.

Water, in baptism, gets us cleaner than soap.

Water- tears, rain, ocean, river, or puddle,

Water makes us a family with whom no one can muddle.

Water, for this gift, O God, we have much gratitude.

Water, wash us again, bring us into right attitude.

Song of Baptismal Remembrance

Sons & Daughters | The Decembrists | The Crane Wife

Scripture

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died;

but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.

June 11, 2023
2nd Sunday After Pentecost

Song of Reflection

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail) | Rend Collective | Campfire II: Simplicity

Prayers

Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need. We pray, O God, for the church. Unite us with any on the margins, that the whole world recognizes that your mercy is greater than our human capacity to restrict it. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray, O God, for creation. Tend forests and fields and safeguard all cattle, birds, and wild animals. Preserve lakes, rivers, and oceans and send rains to water the earth. Revive lands recovering from natural disasters. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray, O God, for the nations. Awaken in our leaders compassion for people who have too often felt forgotten or neglected, and inspire policy solutions that promote equity and inclusion. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray, O God, for all who are in need. Accompany anyone enduring chronic illness, any who suffer in secret, and those grieving a loved one's death. Send healing for all who plead for relief from sickness or pain especially those in our community of faith who are struggling. You know their names and hold them in your love, healing, and compassion. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray, O God, for the eradication of racial hatred. On this week when we commemorate the Emanuel Nine, we implore you to cast out the demons of white supremacy that make us believe lies about ourselves and our neighbors. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We give thanks, O God, for Barnabas and all the saints. Renew our faith that you can do what you have promised and raise us, with all our beloved dead, to new life. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those

who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

WATER! WATER! EVERYWHERE!

It's time for a family water activity!

Wherever you are today, take an hour (or more)

and play in the water. While you play, be reminded of

God's deep love for you in your baptism!

Here are some ideas to get you started:

Take a boat ride!

Get out the super-soakers!

Go fishing!

Go swim in the lake or pool!

Play in the sprinkler!

Have a water balloon fight!

Splash in a puddle!

Build a bird-bath!

Sending

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed ✚ bless, keep, and sustain us now and to the end of the age. **Amen.**

We go in peace to share the harvest!

Thanks be to God!

Sending Song

Build Your Kingdom Here | Rend Collective | Homemade Worship by Handmade People