

Worship Order March 7, 2021

Prelude

Welcome

Hymn

Nearer My God to Thee

Opening Prayer

In the wildernesses of our lives, you offer us living water. When we begin to doubt your presence, and grumble that your love is unreliable, you offer us living water. When life's regrets and the bad choices we have made leave us feeling excluded and unworthy, you offer us living water. When circumstances, or the inhumanity of others, have left us alone and wounded, you offer us living water. We thank you and praise you, O God, that however we may thirst, whatever we may need to satisfy our souls, you offer it freely and abundantly in Christ; So we drink deep of the living water and, as we draw from your wells, we seek to pass the cup to others who, like us, are thirsty for your grace. Amen.

Prayer Response

O Lord Hear My Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, forgive us, for we have fallen short of your vision for humanity. We have put ourselves before others, ignored the vulnerable, and forgotten you altogether. We have missed the point of your kingdom. Have mercy on us, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Assurance of God's Love

Hear the good news! God hears our prayers and, even in our human frailty, promises to be with us in our wilderness times. Live in the grace of God's love as you walk in the way of Jesus and surely you shall find mercy at the end of that road. Amen.

Anthem

Jesus, Gift of Love

Scripture

Luke 15:11-32

Hymn

O God How We Have Wandered

Message

Anthem

Your Love Never Fails

A Time of Prayer

Hymn

The Old Rugged Cross

Benediction

Postlude