

***CLOSING HYMN 156**

I Love To Tell the Story

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Gina

***POSTLUDE**

***THE PEOPLE STAND**

ACOLYTE: Allen Carrizanno, Jr.

PLEASE LET US KNOW... If you or someone you know is ill or in the hospital, let the church office know so that we can help in their healing process through our prayers, visits, etc. Thank you!

PRAYER CONCERNS: Doug Nemeth (son of Dot Nemeth), John Chwastyk, Mary Raroha, John & Catharine Carty, Pati Anne Feeley (daughter-in-law of Jan & Jack Feeley), Nancy Gager (Paul Gager's sister), Emmy Cahilly (11 yr. old niece of Shelly & Greg Kinkaid), Madison Luyber - her parents, Julie and Tony (friends of the Bewleys), Dan LaFon, Donna Lasoski, Walter Colby (brother-in-law of Jan & Jack Feeley), Jon King (Lisa Kulp's brother), Heather Oman (niece of The Youse/Mack Family), Richard Thompson (brother of Doris Gager), Bill (father-in-law of Sandra Handel's son), Jim & Sherry Heller and family (son of Carol Heller), Tina Tesch (niece of Linda Wanagas), Penny McClellan (cousin of Linda Wanagas), Sheryl Moon (former South Valley Elementary School teacher).

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

11:00 A.M. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

Both services are live streamed on Facebook and YouTube

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SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

Beside Still Waters

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WELCOME

Pastor Gina

***OPENING HYMN 463**

Lord, Speak to Me

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor Jess

Leader: Feel the living presence of God:

People: Dwell in the silence,

Leader: Rise in the song,

People: Live in the Word,

Leader: Be in the prayer.

People: Drink in Christ's living water,

Leader: For this is worship.

ALL: AMEN and AMEN.

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor Jess

God of flowing streams of mercy and grace, we come to you this morning opening our parched places to receive the springs of love and life you offer to us. Most of the time, we don't even know we are thirsty. We don't know the deep dehydration that parches our hearts. Still us, God, so we might listen for your witness today. Fill us with your Living Water that will transform our spirits and souls into springs that burst forth with life and love for your people, for ourselves, and for our world. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM UMH P. 39

Pastors Gina & Jess

The Sacrament of Baptism will be administered to: **Remy Michael Graf**, born February 15, 2021 to Joseph and Kathleen Graf.

Sung Response: Jesus Loves Me

YOUNG DISCIPLE'S TIME

Pastor Jess

Kids of all ages are invited forward for a fun learning time in person & virtually.

SCRIPTURE READINGJohn 4:5-14 (*The Message*)

Pastor Jess

To get there, he had to pass through Samaria. He came into Sychar, a Samaritan village that bordered the field Jacob had given his son Joseph. Jacob's well was still there. Jesus, worn out by the trip, sat down at the well. It was noon.

A woman, a Samaritan, came to draw water. Jesus said, "Would you give me a drink of water?" (His disciples had gone to the village to buy food for lunch.) The Samaritan woman, taken aback, asked, "How come you, a Jew, are asking me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?" (Jews in those days wouldn't be caught dead talking to Samaritans.) Jesus answered, "If you knew the generosity of God and who I am, you would be asking *me* for a drink, and I would give you fresh, living water."

The woman said, "Sir, you don't even have a bucket to draw with, and this well is deep. So how are you going to get this 'living water'? Are you a better man than our ancestor Jacob, who dug this well and drank from it, he and his sons and livestock, and passed it down to us?" Jesus said, "Everyone who drinks this water will get thirsty again and again. Anyone who drinks the water I give will never thirst—not ever. The water I give will be an artesian spring within, gushing fountains of endless life."

PASTORAL PRAYER / THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Gina

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

CALL TO PRAYER TFWS #2143 O Lord, Your Tenderness**MINISTRY OF MUSIC**River in Judea
Adult Choir

arr. Leavitt

CELEBRATING OUR GIFTS FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY

Pastor Jess

We welcome all who worship with us this morning. We ask you to prayerfully consider giving generously to support the ministries of FUMC and the communities we serve for Christ. You can place your offering and the Attendance Card including any special prayer requests you may have in the offering baskets located in the worship space or send them to church@meetwithGod.com.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION TFWS #3093** Fill My Cup, Lord (see insert for words)

SCRIPTURE READINGJohn 4:13-30, 39 (*The Message*)

Pastors Gina & Jess

Jesus said, "Everyone who drinks this water will get thirsty again and again. Anyone who drinks the water I give will never thirst—not ever. The water I give will be an artesian spring within, gushing fountains of endless life."

The woman said, "Sir, give me this water so I won't ever get thirsty, won't ever have to come back to this well again!" He said, "Go call your husband and then come back." "I have no husband," she said. "That's nicely put: 'I have no husband.' You've had five husbands, and the man you're living with now isn't even your husband. You spoke the truth there, sure enough.:" "Oh, so you're a prophet! Well, tell me this: Our ancestors worshiped God at this mountain, but you Jews insist that Jerusalem is the only place for worship, right?"

"Believe me, woman, the time is coming when you Samaritans will worship the Father neither here at this mountain nor there in Jerusalem. You worship guessing in the dark; we Jews worship in the clear light of day. God's way of salvation is made available through the Jews. But the time is coming—it has, in fact, come—when what you're called will not matter and where you go to worship will not matter.

"It's who you are and the way you live that count before God. Your worship must engage your spirit in the pursuit of truth. That's the kind of people the Father is out looking for: those who are simply and honestly themselves before him in their worship. God is sheer being itself—Spirit. Those who worship him must do it out of their very being, their spirits, their true selves, in adoration."

The woman said, "I don't know about that. I do know that the Messiah is coming. When he arrives, we'll get the whole story." "I am he," said Jesus. "You don't have to wait any longer or look any further."

Just then his disciples came back. They were shocked. They couldn't believe he was talking with that kind of a woman. No one said what they were all thinking, but their faces showed it. The woman took the hint and left. In her confusion she left her water pot. Back in the village she told the people, "Come see a man who knew all about the things I did, who knows me inside and out. Do you think this could be the Messiah?" And they went out to see for themselves.

Many of the Samaritans from that village committed themselves to him because of the woman's witness: "He knew all about the things I did. He knows me inside and out!"

MESSAGE: *Daring Greatly: Witness-Jesus & The Samaritan Woman at the Well*

Pastor Gina