

The First Parish in Portland, Maine

*Living our mission to Nurture the Spirit,
Grow in Community, and Help Heal the World*

September 9, 2018 10:00 AM

Ingathering Music

Scott Wheatley, Piano

Ringing the Bell

Moe Blanchard

Welcome & Announcements

Gary Desrochers

Prelude

Wade in the Water
African American Spiritual

First Parish Choir

Opening Words

Sue Lippert

**Opening Hymn #121 *We'll Build a Land*

Chalice Lighting & Covenant

*Love is the doctrine of this church
The quest for truth is our sacrament
And service is our prayer
This is our great covenant,
To dwell together in peace,
To seek truth in love,
And to help one another
To the end that all souls shall grow
Into harmony with the divine.*

Time for All Ages

Toben Cooney-Callnan

Water Dance

Reflection

Jennifer Bell Taylor

Centering Hymn #123

Spirit of Life

Reflection

Kate Wilbur

Offertory

The Water is Wide

Molly Snow, Vocals

**Congregational Response (Sing Twice)

*From you I receive, to you I give,
Together we share, and from this we live.*

Touched by Water

Reverend Christina Sillari

Water Blessing

**Closing Words by Janet Parker

Reverend Christina Sillari

**Closing Hymn (insert) *There's a River Flowin' in My Soul*

** Unison Benediction & Extinguishing the Chalice

*We extinguish this Flame, but not the Light of Truth,
the Warmth of Community, or the Fire of Commitment.
These we carry in our hearts, until we are together again.*

Postlude

Bridge Over Troubled Water Scott Wheatley, Piano
P. Simon

***Standing in body and/or spirit.*

*We invite you to light a candle of Joy or Sorrow
on either side of the Meeting House during any of the hymns.
Please turn off cell phones and refrain from taking photographs
and wearing fragrance during service.
Thank you.*

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