



The First Parish in Portland, Maine  
Unitarian Universalist

**September 12, 2021**

**In Gathering:  
The Power of Water**

*Rev. Dr. Elaine Peresluba*

*Deena Hastings - Worship Weaver*

*Scott Wheatley - Music Director*

*Devon Medeiros - Technical Director*

**The First Parish in Portland, Maine**  
*Living our mission to Nurture the Spirit,  
Grow in Community, and Help Heal the World*

**September 12, 2021 10:00 AM**

Ingathering Music	<i>Tibetan Healing Music</i>	
Ringing of the Bell		Moe Blanchard
Welcome		Deena Hastings
Prelude	<i>Wade in the Water</i> African American Spiritual	425 Congress
Opening Words		Angus Ferguson
Chalice Lighting & Covenant		Deena Hastings
Bodies of Water		Toben Cooney-Callnan
Meditation: Breathe with me....		Rev. Elaine
Centering Hymn	<i>Spirit of Life (McDade)</i>	First Parish Choir
Reflection On Water		Rev. Elaine
Hymn	<i>Blue Boat Home</i>	425 Congress
Offertory Words		Deena Hastings
Offertory Music	<i>River Flows in You</i>	Scott Wheatley
Water Communion		Rev. Elaine
Closing Words		Rev. Elaine
Unison Benediction & Extinguishing the Chalice		Rev. Elaine
Postlude	<i>The Water is Wide</i> arr. J. Althouse	Una Voce
<b>**End Facebook Live**</b>		
Video	<i>Water Music - Hornpipe</i>	Handel
Virtual Coffee Hour	Meet & Greet with Rev. Elaine	Rev. Elaine

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