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ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Music by The Lord's Crew

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Opening Praise	<i>I See The Lord</i>	
† Scripture Reading	John 7:37-38	Judy Atwood
On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to Me and drink. Whoever believes in Me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them."		
† Opening Prayer		Judy Atwood
Praise	<i>There Is A Redeemer</i> <i>O Lord, You're Beautiful</i> <i>Medley: Breathe and Alleluia</i>	The Lord's Crew
Prayer of Adoration		Susan Coho
We Worship in Giving		
Offertory Song	<i>The Better Part</i>	The Lord's Crew
† Sharing God's Peace (greeting one another)		
Join in singing "Amazing Grace" as you return to your seat.		
Joys and Concerns—Pastoral Prayer		Judy Atwood
Scripture Reading	Luke 3:15-17, 21-22	
Sermon	"River Of Dreams" The Rev. Dr. J. Robert Stimmel, Guest Preacher	
Communion Liturgy		In Unison
Communion Song	<i>Were You There?</i>	
† Benediction Song	<i>The Lord Bless Thee</i>	Susan Coho
† Recessional	<i>Revive Us Again</i>	The Lord's Crew



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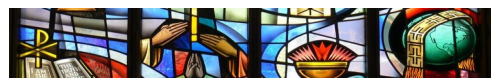
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Prelude More Than Wonderful (L. Wolfe) Dennis Eiler

† Call To Worship (from Words for Worship © 2015 Mary Scifres) Don Gugeler

* Please rise as you are able in body and/or spirit for our Call to Worship

Come to the One who is Love.

We come, believing in Love.

Listen for the voice of Love.

We come, trusting God's voice.

Look for the vision of Love.

We come, ready to see where Love leads.

* Please remain standing for our opening hymn.

† Hymn No. 344 Lord, You Have Come To The Lakeshore"

Opening Prayer Don Gugeler

In praise, we sing to you, Creator God.

In joy, we laugh and play

with all your glorious creation.

In trust, we come to your loving presence.

Help us to believe in love.

Help us to be unified by love.

Help us to be one with you, one with each other,

and one in ministry to all the world. Amen.

Children's Moment Patti Melsheimer

Nursery care is available. Children ages K-6 are dismissed with their teachers at this time. Junior and Senior high will meet in church.

Prayer of Yearning Don Gugeler

Jesus, friend and brother, we yearn to abide in your love.

We long to be one with you and one with each other.

Still, we sometimes doubt your love, doubt ourselves, and even doubt our ability to love the people in our lives.

Help us learn to trust again.

Teach us to love with confidence and hope.

Guide us to love in unity and community, that we may abide in your love.

In hope and trust, we pray.

Words of Assurance

Don Gugeler

This is God's promise:
Christ abides in us, and we abide in Christ.
Through this grace,
we are able to love again, to trust again,
and to walk again in unity with God and
with all of God's creation.

Special Music *What Is Love* Julie Burns
(arr Phillip Keveren)

Sharing Of Our Joys And Concerns Don Gugeler

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Prayer for Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *Faith Of Our Fathers* Dennis Eiler
(Henry Hemy)

✠ **Doxology**
*Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him,
all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

Scripture Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 Don Gugeler
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn No. 347 *Spirit Song*
(remain seated)

Sermon "River Of Dreams"
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✠ **Hymn No. 252** *When Jesus Came To Jordan*

✠ **Benediction**

Response *Blest Be The Tie That Binds* Hymnal No. 557
(Verse 1)

*Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

Postlude "Prelude In G Major:" Dennis Eiler
(Handel)



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