# Worship: Sunday August 21, 2016

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Committee Chair: Jennifer Legg, M. Div.

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### **Prelude**

# **Congregational Concerns**

## **Gathering Around the Word**

## Invitation and Call to Worship (based on Isaiah 43:16-21):

Leader: The Lord is doing a new thing:

All: The Lord makes a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert!

Leader: The Lord forms us as a people *All:* And we declare God's praise!

Leader: The Lord has done great things for us!

All: And we rejoice!

Leader: The Lord is doing a new thing

All: We pray for eyes to see, ears to hear and hearts to understand.

**Song of Praise** "Praise You, praise You. Let my life praise You. Praise You, praise You. Let my life, O Lord, praise You."

### **Prayer of Confession**

Leader: God of all who thirst, our hearts are parched

from wandering in the deserts far from your life-giving springs.

Call us to your well.

All: Fill our cups with your grace. Let your love overflow in our hearts,

and make us fully alive. Amen.

Assurance The Lord continues to do great things for us, and we shall rejoice.

We are and will continue to be a community that loves and worships God in the Reformed tradition for the purpose of being known as a congregation that actively cares for those in need around us.

Musical Response "Fill My Cup, Lord" [insert]

# The Word of God

# **Prayer of Illumination**

Scripture Isaiah 43:16-21

#### Meditation

### "Rivers in the Desert"

**Hymn** "Here I Am, Lord" [insert]

# Our Response to God

**Confession of Faith** The Apostle's Creed

**Intercessory Prayer** 

**Hymn** "You Shall Go Out With Joy and Be Led Forth With Peace" [insert]

# Sending of God's People

#### WELCOME

We welcome Rachel Taylor, our speaker for today, who is a native of Raleigh but now claims the Walltown neighborhood in Durham as home. She recently graduated from a joint MDiv-MSW program offered by Duke Divinity School and UNC School of Social Work. Rachel currently works at the Center for Child and Family Health as a Home Visitor with Early Head Start. She is an active member at Raleigh Mennonite Church and serves on the board of Anathoth Community Garden.

### MEALS ON WHEELS

Just a reminder, this Friday, August 26th, is our scheduled day for delivery of meals. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Dev.

## **CONSISTORY CONTACTS**

If you have need of pastoral care or if you have questions or concerns, please reach out to one of the members of the consistory.

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