

MEDITATION: There is no creation that does not have a radiance,
Hildegard of Bingen (1098-1179)

MUSICAL PRELUDE.
CALL FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We were, each one of us, taken below the waters.

All: We, each one of us, died with Christ in baptism.

One: And we were, each one of us, raised, dripping, to newness of
life.

All: We were, each one of us, born again,

One: Breathing in for the first time the breath of God,

All: The life-creating Spirit that dreamed us, each one, into
being.

One: And we, each one of us, live in the hope of living up to this
newness and of not letting it down.

All: May it be so,

One: And when it isn't,

All: May we breathe in God and dream again.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (all in unison)

O God of the morning and of the evening hours, let your Spirit come on us here gathered. This is the holy place where we, your people, call on you in faith, joining heart and voice in thanksgiving and praise to your name. Amen.

HYMN: #277R Jesus, Friend, So Kind and Gentle

NEW MEMBER JOINING SERVICE Zsazsa Vanessa Taylor and Curtis Ross Brunelle with daughter Ava and son Jace

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Jace Everett Taylor-Brunelle (see insert)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (all in unison)

Our God, we confess that though our old selves died with Christ in baptism and that we were then raised to newness of life, there is much of our old selves that yet lingers – that still determines some of our attitudes and some of our behavior. We confess to a certain half-heartedness, to a certain double-mindedness. We yearn for what we knew, as bad as we know it to be. Lead us on, we pray, into our future. Grant us the courage to face the unknown with you rather than return to what we know without you. This we pray in the name of the one who, celebrating his faith, walked into his future, to and for us all. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God's grace is abundant. God's love is never ending. Friends, the gospel affirms, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. May the peace of Christ be with you. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI #513R (all in unison, please stand if able)

Glory be to the Father (or Creator) and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, it is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Responsive Reading: #89R, Psalm 89, p. 528

Hebrew Scripture: Jeremiah 28:5-9

Gospel: Matthew 10:40-42

SERMON Life Giving Waters

HYMN #6B You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

TIME OF PRAYER

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

L: Let us join in prayer. The Lord be with you.

P: And with your spirit

Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (all in unison) Our Father (or Creator), 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever Amen.

Prayer Response

OFFERING

Invitation to Giving

Offertory Anthem

Doxology #514R (all in unison, please stand if able)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. (alternate: Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost)

Prayer of Dedication of Gifts and Self: (all in unison, please stand if able) Our God, we give to you our first and our best. We believe in you, your way, and your people. We give because it's good for us – because the more we give you, the more we invest in you, the less there is to invest in anything else. Accept these our gifts, and bless our giving, in Jesus' name. Amen.

HYMN: #19B Shall We Gather at the River

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

PRAYER GARDEN

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First Congregational Church of Montague
Trinitarian

November 16, 2014
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor Barbara E. Turner Delisle
Minister of Children's Education Rev Sherril Willis
Music Director Ann Cenzano
Deacon of the Month Mark Fisk
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nov 18 and Dec 2 1pm Book Study, Traveling with Pomegranates

Nov 29 First Sunday of Advent with Advent Wreath Lighting

Community Meals HELP NEEDED First Monday of the month -

5:30pm at Our Lady of Peace in Turners Falls.

Deacon for November is Mark Fisk (413-367-2812)

Michelle Welcome is doing a wonderful job keeping our website up to date. If you have any information about a church event or a picture from a church activity, please pass it on to her at michelle.welcome@comcast.net Thanks Michelle!

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