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→ The Community Church of Vero Beach



## **WELCOME**

*We invite you to experience this  
"community of God's people, who follow Christ's way,  
worship in Christ's name, welcome and love all,  
serve widely and joyfully, to transform our lives and world  
by reflecting God's living spirit."*



*"Walking on Water" painting by Lewis Bowman-2009  
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**SUNDAY JULY 25, 2021**

CHAPEL SERVICE (IN-PERSON ONLY) 8:30 A.M.

SANCTUARY AND LIVE-STREAM SERVICE 10:15 A.M.

WE INVITE YOU TO ENJOY COOKIES FOLLOWING WORSHIP TODAY.

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# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

*Masks are optional for those who are fully-vaccinated. Please respect your neighbors who continue to wear masks.*

*\*Please rise in body or spirit. **Bold** text indicates congregational participation.*

*Our Sanctuary service is live-streamed via internet, capturing the chancel and congregation, and may appear on social media. During 10:15 a.m. worship, children are invited to join Lia Peters in the Narthex for Sunday School after Passing of the Peace. Families are always welcome to worship together during service.*

*Nursery Care is available for children under the age of four.*

PRELUDE

Sonata No. 17, Op. 31  
Mvt. 1 "The Tempest"  
*Ludwig van Beethoven*

Jill A. Truax, piano

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

Brielle Middleton

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Elizabeth B. Johnson

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"  
ST. DENIO



Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
So per - fect Your glo - ry, so bril - liant Your light,  
In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
not want - ing, not wast - ing, but rul - ing in might;  
Your an - gels a - dore You, all veil - ing their sight;  
Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
Your just - ice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove,  
All praise we now ren - der; as Your an - gels do:  
Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Your great name we praise.  
your clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
In awe at the splen - dor of light hid - ing You.

\*LITANY

Ferguson Taylor

One: Living by the water, we know the power of the wind and waves.

**All: When all is still, the water has power to calm us.**

One: Yet we can be overwhelmed when a storm blows in.

**All: It is exhausting and frightening when the winds pick up, thunder crashes, and lightning flashes.**

One: Our lives can sometimes feel like we are battling a storm.

**All: When life is most chaotic we need Jesus to calm our fears and show us a way forward.**

One: Please join me in prayer...

\*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Ferguson Taylor

**God of peace, we give you thanks for the many ways that oceans, lakes, and rivers sustain us and bring us peace and joy. Thank you for the gift of water. And yet when the winds howl and the waves rise higher, we recognize the overwhelming power of nature and are humbled before you. When relationships turn stormy and when life threatens to overwhelm us, we pray for your presence to see us through. Amen**

\*GLORIA PATRI

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Elizabeth B. Johnson

*At this time, children grades k-5 are invited to join Lia Peters in the Narthex for Sunday School. (10:15)*

## ATTENDING TO GOD'S WORD

ANTIPHONAL READING OF THE PSALTER

Rev. David W. Johnson

*Psalm 107:23-31*

RICHARD PROULX



Give thanks to the Lord for stead-fast love, for all God's won-der-ful works.

*Cantor and Congregation*

Some went down to the sea in ships, doing business on the mighty waters; they saw the deeds of the LORD, God's wondrous works in the deep. For God commanded and raised the stormy wind, which lifted up the waves of the sea. They mounted up to heaven, they went down to the depths; their courage melted away in their calamity; they reeled and staggered like drunkards, and were at their wits' end.

*Cantor and Congregation*

Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and God brought them out from their distress; the LORD made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed. Then they were glad because they had quiet, and God brought them to their desired haven. Let them thank the LORD for steadfast love, for God's wonderful works to humankind.

*Cantor and Congregation*

One: When things get chaotic and out of control, Jesus comes to us.

**All: We wait and watch for Jesus' presence.**

*Matthew 14:22-33*

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up to the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It's a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

#### RESPONSE

One: The stories of Jesus fill us with wonder and awe.

**All: We join with Jesus' disciples to worship our living Christ.**

SOLO

"Give Me Jesus"  
*arr. Victor Labenske*

Rachel E. Carter, soprano

*O when I am alone, give me Jesus.  
Give me Jesus, give me Jesus,  
you may have all this world, give me Jesus.*

*O when I come to die, give me Jesus.  
Give me Jesus, give me Jesus,  
you may have all this world, give me Jesus.*

*Dark midnight was my cry, give me Jesus.  
Give me Jesus, give me Jesus,  
you may have all this world, give me Jesus.*

SERMON

"A Short Walk"

Rev. David W. Johnson

*"And early in the morning he came walking to them on the sea." Matthew 14:25*

CALL TO PRAYER

"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

Rachel E. Carter, soprano

**Our Father, 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.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen**

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Ferguson Taylor

When life takes a turn and it feels like the wind and waves will overwhelm us, we realize what is truly important and recognize our need for God and for one another. Our offerings allow Community Church to be the presence of Christ for people whose lives are in jeopardy from the sudden storms of life. When we give, whether online, through the mail, or in worship, we provide a measure of calm to those who need it most.

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Wade in the Water"  
*arr. Mark Hayes*

Rachel E. Carter, soprano

*Wade in the water, wade in the water, children,  
Wade in the water, God's gonna trouble the water.*

*Down in the valley, down on my knees.  
Askin' my Lord O save me please.  
Wade in the water, wade in the water, children,  
Wade in the water, God's gonna trouble the water.*

*Up on the mountain, Jehovah, he spoke,  
Out of his mouth came fire and smoke,  
Wade in the water, wade in the water, children,  
Wade in the water, God's gonna trouble the water.*

*I heard a rumblin' up in the sky, Must-a been Jesus passin' by,  
You gotta wade in the water, You gotta wade in the water, children,  
You gotta wade in the water, God's gonna trouble the water.*

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Ferguson Taylor

**Loving God, we bring this offering, recognizing that any of us could find ourselves overwhelmed or out of control at any time. Use it, we pray, to bring peace to the chaos in our life, quiet to the noise of our world, and courage for the journey forward. Amen**

# THE SENDING FORTH

COMMUNITY WORDS

Rev. David W. Johnson

\*CLOSING HYMN

"Lead On Eternal Sovereign"

LANCASHIRE



Lead on e - ter - nal Sov - ereign, we fol - low in your way;  
Lead on e - ter - nal Sov - ereign, we fol - low not with fear,  
Lead on e - ter - nal Sov - ereign, till sin's fierce war shall cease,  
loud rings your cry for jus - tice, your call for peace this day:  
for in each hu - man con - flict your words of strength we hear:  
and all your saints to - geth - er will sing a hymn of peace;  
Through prayer-ful prep - a - ra - tion, your grace will make us strong,  
That when we serve with glad - ness, you will not let us fall,  
Then all in your do - min - ion will live with hearts set free,  
to car - ry on the strug - gle to tri - umph o - ver wrong.  
our trust is in your prom - ise that love will con - quer all.  
to love and serve each oth - er for all e - ter - ni - ty.

\*BENEDICTION

Rev. David W. Johnson

POSTLUDE

"Sortie"

*Charles Tournemire*

Andrew R. Galuska, organ

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## IN WORSHIP TODAY

**DEACON:** Ferguson Taylor

**ACOLYTE:** Brielle Middleton

**THE FLOWERS TODAY ARE DEDICATED TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND GIVEN...**

by Linda Eubanks and Janice Flewelling and their children and grandchildren  
in loving memory of Maudine Dorsky's birthday.

*We extend Christ's wide welcome to all people, regardless of creed, age, race, or sexual identity.  
The invitation to join our congregation in worship and in membership is always open,  
as we allow our lives to be shaped by the loving outreach of Christ.*



## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

### SERVICE TIMES

#### Chapel Worship

8:30 a.m. In-Person only

#### Sanctuary Worship

10:15 a.m. In-Person and Live-streamed

#### Jazz Vespers Tonight

July 25 at 7:00 p.m. In-Person in the Courtyard  
Rain Location - Community Hall

#### C<sub>2</sub> Worship

10:30 a.m.

Returns Sunday, September 12  
in Community Hall

### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

#### Monday-Thursday

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

#### Friday

8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

#### Sunday

8:00-11:30 a.m.

### STAYING CONNECTED

#### LIVE-STREAM VIEWING

[www.ccovb.org](http://www.ccovb.org)

[www.facebook.com/ccovb.org](https://www.facebook.com/ccovb.org)

#### MINISTRY FACEBOOK PAGES

[www.facebook.com/AnnaVCopelandBlog](https://www.facebook.com/AnnaVCopelandBlog)

[www.facebook.com/C2Worship](https://www.facebook.com/C2Worship)

[www.facebook.com/CommotionYouth](https://www.facebook.com/CommotionYouth)

[www.facebook.com/CCOVBDepartmentOfMusic](https://www.facebook.com/CCOVBDepartmentOfMusic)

## Wednesdays @ 1:00 p.m.

### There Will Be No Presentation

### Wednesday, July 28

### Due to C3 Music and Fine Arts Camp

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### COMMUNITY LIFE

**CALL FOR SUNDAY USHERS:** If you are interested in becoming a Sunday morning usher, please contact Matt Cleary at 267-978-1614 or [gawkc@yahoo.com](mailto:gawkc@yahoo.com).

**NO-COST COUNSELING:** Individual or couples counseling is available from Rev. Dr. Donald R. White. Call Suzanne Rice at 772-469-2303 for a Wednesday appointment.



"Elements of Faith" Summer Preaching Series

August 1

"Mayday"

Based on Isaiah 43

Rev. Elizabeth B. Johnson

THE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF VERO BEACH  
**JAZZ VESPERS**  
IN THE COURTYARD  
Tonight, July 25 @ 7:00 p.m.  
Prayer Live Jazz Refreshments  
Rain Location: Community Hall

with  
Rev. David Johnson, Rev. Elizabeth Johnson  
Leti Metcalfe-vocals, Andrew Galuska-piano  
Gary Hasse-bass, Brian Slawson-drums

**LIFE-LONG FITNESS**  
with Elaine Matthes  
**MONDAY WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY**  
**AT 9:30 A.M.**  
**IN COMMUNITY HALL**  
For more information call: 772-643-6644

 **CONGREGATIONAL CARE**

#### PASTORAL VISITATION

Request a Hospital Visit then contact the Church Office

Email: [suzanne.rice@ccovb.org](mailto:suzanne.rice@ccovb.org)

Call: 772-562-3633

#### PRAYER ON-LINE

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#### CONTACT A MINISTER

Our "On-Call" Minister may be reached by calling 772-617-4324



### MISSION-COMMUNITY CARE

**HOW WE CAN HELP:** The Deacons Fund offers support to members of The Community Church. If you are in need, please contact Rev. Dr. Anna V. Copeland at [annavcopeland@ccovb.org](mailto:annavcopeland@ccovb.org).

**HOW YOU CAN HELP:** Stay in contact and pray for others. Contribute through donations to the CCOVB general fund, the Deacons Fund, or the Minister's Discretionary Fund to support the work and outreach of Community Church. Serve through mission initiatives. Contact Rev. David W. Johnson for more information.

**MISSION WATCH:** It's time for the 23rd Annual Gifford Youth Achievement Center supply drive! This year, with the cost of school supplies rising, our participation in this event will make an increased impact. School Supplies may be dropped off in the container located in Narthex or the Church Office until Friday, August 6. For more information, please contact Freddie Woolfork by calling 772-794-1005 (ext. 234) or email [fwoolfork@gyac.net](mailto:fwoolfork@gyac.net).



Donations gratefully accepted until Friday, August 6

\*Monetary donations are also welcome

#### SUGGESTED ITEMS TO HELP FILL A CHILD'S BACKPACK

- Backpacks, Pocket Folders, 3-Ring Binders (2" & 3")
- Composition Notebooks, Spiral Notebooks, Index Cards, Paper
- Rulers, Glue, Scissors, Pencil Sharpeners, Construction Paper
- Pens, Pencils, Markers, Highlighters, Colored Pencils, Calculators
- Hand Sanitizer

**CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?** Thank you for your feedback in recent weeks regarding sound issues in the sanctuary. After listening to you, working with a consultant, and collaborating with staff, we affirmed that we have an exceptional sound system that works best when you:

1. Notice the location of the overhead speakers. If you sit directly under them, you may experience an echo and the sound will pass over your head. The remedy is to move back a few rows in line with the speaker so the sound is headed directly towards you instead of over you.
2. Use the headsets located in the narthex at the back of the church. This high-end equipment is used at famous museums throughout the world for tours. The sound goes directly into your ear, providing an exceptional listening experience. If your unit isn't working, tell a Deacon and choose another one. We'll have that one serviced.
3. Move around, even during worship. Some spots offer better sound than others, depending on the range and pitch best received according to your hearing.
4. Experiment, and then let us know if you're still having difficulty. We're committed to creating a meaningful worship experience for you.

#### AUGUST AT-A-GLANCE

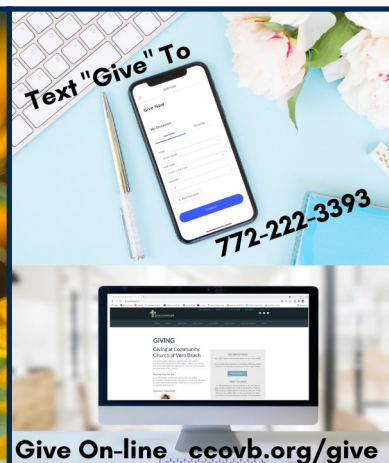
Weekly Worship @ 8:30 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.

**August 15** Blessing of the Backpacks @ 1:00 p.m. at Jaycee Park

**August 22** Jazz Vespers @ 7:00 p.m.

**August 28** Godly Play Workshop and Training @ 10:00 a.m.

**August 29** Daily Bread Meal Prep @ 4:00 p.m. in Community Hall



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