



La Mesa First United Methodist Church
 January 10, 2021
 Baptism of the Lord Sunday

Prelude *Rain Down* Jaime Cortez
Dan Bailey, Piano

Welcome Rev. Christian DeMent

Hymn *O Spirit of the Living God* UMH 539

1. O Spir - it of the liv - ing God, thou light and fire di -
 3. Teach us to ut - ter liv - ing words of truth which all may
 4. So shall we know the power of Christ who came this world to
 vine, de - scend up - on thy church once more, and make it tru - ly
 hear, the lan - guage all may un - der - stand when love speaks loud and
 save; so shall we rise with him to life which soars be - yond the
 thine. Fill it with love and joy and power, with righ - teous - ness and
 clear; till ev - ery age and race and clime shall blend their creeds in
 grave; and earth shall win true ho - li - ness, which makes thy chil - dren
 peace; till Christ shall dwell in hu - man hearts, and sin and sor - row cease.
 one; and earth shall form one fam - i - ly by whom thy will is done.
 whole; till, per - fect - ed by thee, we reach cre - a - tion's glo - rious goal!

Children's Moment

Prayers of the Community

Giving of Our Tithes and Offering

Offertory *Let There Be Peace on Earth* S. Miller, J.
 Jackson

Dan Bailey - Piano

Offertory Prayer

Scripture *Acts 19:1-7, Mark 1:4-11* New Testament

Sermon *Water & Spirit* Rev. Christian DeMent

Hymn

Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

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1. Wash, O God, our sons and daughters, where your cleans-ing wa-ters flow.
3. O how deep your ho-ly wis-dom! Un-im-ag-ined, all your ways!



Num-ber them a-mong your peo-ple; bless as Christ blessed long a-go.
To your name be glo-ry, hon-or! Withour lives we wor-ship praise!



Weave them gar-ments bright and spark-ling; compass them with love and light.
We your peo-ple stand be-fore you, wa-ter-washed and Spir-it-born.



Fill, a-noint them; send your spir-it, ho-ly dove and heart's de-light.
By your grace, our lives we of-fer. Recre-ate us; God, trans-form!

Announcements

Benediction

Postlude

Gavotta Con Variazione
Dan Bailey, Piano

G.F. Handel

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Dan Bailey, Accompanist • Stephanie Draper, Soloist • Ray Swavelly, AV Tech

Our Music Today

Rain Down... Jaime Cortez is a talented and popular composer, arranger and performer. Born in New York and raised in El Salvador, Jaime has dedicated a portion of his ministry to promoting better Hispanic liturgies and bringing cultures together for worship. His main instrument is guitar, though he is proficient in piano and other string instruments, such as charango, vihuela and bass guitar. He holds a bachelor's degree in music composition from Arizona State University. He was named Pastoral Musician of the Year in 2016 by the National Association of Pastoral Musicians (NPM).

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Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters... "Water-washed and Spirit-born" are among the powerful images found in this lovely baptismal text which was commissioned for our United Methodist Hymnal. It is set to a gentle, uplifting early American tune, "Beach Spring." Ruth Duck's text begins with a petition on behalf of the children that they be washed, accepted, blessed, encompassed with love, and anointed by the Spirit. Nurture and guidance are asked for the parents and congregation. The final stanza of praise asks for re-creation and transformation. This is a powerful reaffirmation of the whole congregation's covenant with God through Baptism.

The Hymns of the United Methodist Hymnal

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