

**Come to the Water** by John Foley

O let all who thirst,  
let them come to the water.  
And let all who have nothing  
let them come to the Lord:  
Without money, without price  
why should you pay the price  
except for the Lord?

And let all who seek,  
let them come to the water.  
And let all who have nothing,  
let them come to the Lord:  
without money, without strife.  
Why should you spend your life,  
except for the Lord?

And let all who toil,  
let them come to the water.  
And let all who are weary,  
let them come to the Lord:  
all who labor, without rest.  
How can your soul find rest,  
except for the Lord?

And let all the poor  
let them come to the water.  
Bring the ones who are laden,  
bring them all to the Lord:  
bring the children without might.  
Easy the load and light:  
come to the Lord.  
bring them all to the Lord;  
Bring the children without might  
easy the load light  
come to the Lord.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=huERPUUnO-bo>

*We Are Thirsty, Lord*

A Prayer Service Celebrating our Baptism  
(Everyone at home is asked to have a small vessel  
of water close by, enough to dip a finger into.)

**Call to Prayer**

**Leader** God of Water, God of life,  
renew and refresh us this day.  
Help us answer our baptismal call  
to serve you and others  
in our everyday lives.

**Opening Song** Come to the Water

**Reading** Matthew 3:13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

**Reflection**

**Litany of the Waters**

**Leader:** We are thirsty, Lord.

Our response is, "Come, renew us."

**Invitation to Come to the Water**

**Leader:** Dip a finger into the water and make the sign of the cross on your forehead. Renew your commitment to live out your baptismal call.

**Concluding Song** Wade in the Water

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