

First United Methodist Church of Freehold  
Bulletin

Sunday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany

Announcements: Sharon Shutzer

Prelude

Welcome: Pastor Lan Wilson

\*Call to Worship:

Leader: Spirit of the Living God, we seek your guidance. We come in need of direction and encouragement, for the life of faith can be challenging.

**People: Spirit of the Living God, equip us for faithfulness,**

Leader: empower us to discern true kingdom values,

**People: and inspire us to embody the gospel this very day.**

\*Opening Prayer: (In Unison)

**Holy Spirit, you are welcome in this space today and always in our lives. Oftentimes, we focus on ourselves rather than on you, but we aspire to be better in our walk with you. Remember and redirect our ways, we pray, as we ask for your Spirit to dwell among us, leading each one on our journey. For your blessings we pray. Amen.**

\*Opening Hymn: "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" UMH #382

\*Hymn: "Draw the Circle Wide" Light & Miller

Prayer Hymn: "Breathe" Marie Barnett

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Lan Wilson

The Lord's Prayer: UMH #895

Scripture Reading: Galatians 5:24 – 6:10 Ed Bowen

Sermon: "Reset: Values" Pastor, Lan Wilson

*Offering: The Special Offering for January will benefit **Human Relations Day**. Gifts to Human Relations Day will help strengthen community outreach and empower at-risk youth. The Human Relations Day offering makes a difference for God's children everywhere.*

Offertory "Holy Spirit, Rain Down" Russell Frager

\*Doxology: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #95

\*Offertory Prayer Pastor, Wil Wilson

**Abundant God, today we commit to giving you all that we are and all you have provided to us. Please keep us from only following the letter of the law, and instead, help us be led by your Spirit in all things. Receive our tithes and offerings today, and give us wisdom so we may use them to bring you glory. Amen.**

\*Passing of the Peace

*Closing Hymn:	“All the People Said Amen”	Maher, Moak & Morgan
*Benediction:		Pastor, Lan Wilson
*Postlude	“All the People Said Amen (Reprise)”	Mayer, Moak & Morgan

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## Scripture Passage for Sunday, January 23, 2022

Liturgist: Ed Bowen

### Galatians 5:24 – 6:10 New revised Standard Version

<sup>24</sup> And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. <sup>25</sup> If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. <sup>26</sup> Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another.

#### Bear One Another's Burdens

**6** My friends,<sup>[a]</sup> if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. <sup>2</sup> Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill<sup>[b]</sup> the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup> For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. <sup>4</sup> All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. <sup>5</sup> For all must carry their own loads.

<sup>6</sup> Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.

<sup>7</sup> Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. <sup>8</sup> If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. <sup>9</sup> So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup> So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God!**

**Opening Hymn:  
Have Thine Own Way, Lord**

Have Thine own way, Lord!  
Have Thine own way!  
Thou art the Potter; I am the clay.  
Mold me and make me after Thy will,  
While I am waiting, yielded and still.

Have Thine own way, Lord!  
Have Thine own way!  
Search me and try me, Savior today!  
Wash me just now, Lord, wash me just now,  
As in Thy presence humbly I bow.

Have Thine own way, Lord!  
Have Thine own way!  
Wounded and weary, help me I pray!  
Power, all power, surely is Thine!  
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

Have Thine own way, Lord!  
Have Thine own way!  
Hold o'er my being absolute sway.  
Fill with Thy Spirit till all shall see  
Christ only, always, living in me!

**Hymn:  
Draw the Circle Wide**

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.  
Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.  
No one stands alone,  
We'll stand side by side.  
Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

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We'll stand side by side.  
Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.  
Draw the circle, draw it wider still.  
Let this be our song:  
No one stands alone.  
Standing side by side,  
Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

**Prayer Hymn:  
Breathe**

This is the air I breathe,  
This is the air I breathe,  
Your holy presence living in me.

This is my daily bread,  
This is my daily bread,  
Your very word spoken to me.

And I, I'm desperate for You.  
And I, I'm lost without You.

This is the air I breathe,  
This is the air I breathe,  
Your holy presence living in me.

This is my daily bread,  
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Your very word spoken to me.

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This is the air I breathe,  
This is the air I breathe,

**Offertory:  
Holy Spirit Rain Down**

Holy Spirit, rain down, rain down.  
O Comforter and Friend  
How we need Your touch again.  
Holy Spirit rain down, rain down.  
Let Your power fall, let Your voice be heard,  
Come and change our hearts as we stand on Your  
Word.  
Holy Spirit, rain down.

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How we need Your touch again.  
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Let Your power fall, let Your voice be heard,  
Come and change our hearts as we stand on Your  
Word.  
Holy Spirit, rain down.

No eye has seen, no ear has heard,  
No mind can know what God has in store.  
So open up heaven, open it wide  
Over Your church and over our lives.

Holy Spirit, rain down, rain down.  
O Comforter and Friend  
How we need Your touch again.  
Holy Spirit rain down, rain down.  
Let Your power fall, let Your voice be heard,  
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**Closing Hymn:  
All the People Said Amen**

You are not alone if you are lonely.  
When you feel afraid you're not the only.  
We are all the same in need of mercy.  
To be forgiven and be free,  
It's all you got to lean on  
But thank God it's all you need.

And all the people said amen. Whoa!  
And all the people said Amen.  
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends.  
And all the people said Amen.

If you're rich or poor, well it don't matter.  
Weak or strong, you know love is what we're after.  
We're all broken but we're all in this together,  
God knows we stumble and fall.  
And He so loved the world  
He sent His son to save us all.

And all the people said Amen. Whoa!  
And all the people said Amen.  
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends.  
And all the people said Amen.

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart,  
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart,  
Blessed are the people hungry for another start,  
For theirs is the kingdom, the kingdom of God.

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