# **WORSHIP GUIDE**

# February 4, 2024 5th Sunday after the Epiphany

WELCOME Pastor Beth Snarr **PRELUDE** "Grazioso" Celebration Ringers Arnold Sherman

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Pastor Beth Snarr

Welcome, friends, to this holy day.

We come to offer thanks; we come to sing and pray.

Welcome, friends, to this time set apart.

A time to remember those we love, and time to remember the holy promises of God.

Welcome, friends, to this table of remembrance and joy.

The table where we are fed, the feast we share with many.

Welcome, friends, and let us worship God.

"Christ For The World We Sing" **HYMN** UMH 568

- <sup>1</sup> Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with loving zeal; the poor, and them that mourn, the faint and overborne, sin-sick and sorrow-worn, whom Christ doth heal.
- <sup>2</sup> Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with fervent prayer; the wayward and the lost, by restless passions tossed, redeemed at countless cost, from dark despair.
- <sup>3</sup> Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with one accord; with us the work to share, with us reproach to dare, with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.
- <sup>4</sup> Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with joyful song; the newborn souls, whose days, reclaimed from error's ways, inspired with hope and praise, to Christ belong.

#### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** UMH 881 **Apostles Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### **GLORIA PATRI** UMH 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

#### **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**COUNT ME IN MOMENT** 

Brad and Brittany Bruggemann

#### RECEIVING GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

**SPECIAL MUSIC** 

"The Word of Life" Joel Ranev

Celebration Ringers, Chancel Choir, and Lydian Haugen

#### CALL TO PRAYER FWS 2128 (vs 1) "Come And Find The Quiet Center"

Come and find the guiet center in the crowded life we lead, find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed: Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**LORD'S PRAYER** UMH 895

**GATHERING SONG** FWS 2233 "Where Children Belong"

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: this is where children belong.

### **CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

**SERMON** Under Our Roof, Beyond Our Walls Pastor Harold Henderson

Releasing Mark 1:29-39

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION COMMUNION MEDITATION MUSIC

> WE WELCOME AND AFFIRM THOSE OF EVERY RACE, ETHNICITY, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY, SOCIO-ECONOMIC CONDITION, FAMILY STRUCTURE, AND MENTAL OR PHYSICAL ABILITY INTO ALL ASPECTS OF THE LIFE OF THIS CONGREGATION.



"For The Healing Of The Nations"

- <sup>1</sup> For the healing of the nations, Lord, we pray with one accord; for a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords; To a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word, help us rise and pledge our word.
- <sup>2</sup> Lead us forward into freedom; from despair your world release, that, redeemed from war and hatred, all may come and go in peace. Show us how through care and goodness fear will die and hope increase, fear will die and hope increase.
- <sup>3</sup> All that kills abundant living, let it from the earth be banned; pride of status, race, or schooling, dogmas that obscure your plan. In our common quest for justice may we hallow life's brief span, may we hallow life's brief span.
- <sup>4</sup> You, Creator God, have written your great name on humankind; for our growing in your likeness bring the life of Christ to mind, that by our response and service earth its destiny may find, earth its destiny may find.

#### **BENEDICTION**

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE W&S 3154 "Draw the Circle Wide"

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

**POSTLUDE** Gavan Mcvey

# **CONNECTION CARD**

Please use the Connection Card for any questions, comments, or prayer requests you may have and place in the basket on your way out of the Sanctuary today. You can also fill one out using our First UMC app or online at <a href="mailto:fumcgnv.org/ConnectionCard">fumcgnv.org/ConnectionCard</a>



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# Questions, Comments, Prayer Requests

Please share only with the Pastors

## **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Today's altar flowers are given by Janet Howard in loving memory of her mother, Anna Spangenberg, and her grandson, Dylan Paul Howard. And in honor of all those working for justice & peace in our world.

These upcoming dates are available for donating altar flowers: March 24, and April 14 and 21. Please contact Janet Rocap at janet@fumcgnv.org for details.

#### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

If you have prayers to be lifted up or wish to be part of the team who lifts up prayers, drop an email to *prayer@fumcgnv.org* or note it on the Connection Card.

#### **COUNT ME IN!**

Thanks to all who helped our "Fulfilling the Master's Plan" kick-off event so informative and fun! Everyone who attended received a "Count Me In" button and was asked to wear it to worship over the next few weeks until Commitment Sunday on February 25. More buttons are available on the Welcome Table in the Narthex/lobby. Let's join together and generously support the work of this capital campaign that both honors the past and ensures the future of First UMC's ministry impact for Christ! Visit our web page at <a href="https://fumcgnv.org/CapitalCampaign">https://fumcgnv.org/CapitalCampaign</a>.



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