# **WORSHIP GUIDE**

# November 5, 2023 23rd Sunday after Pentecost All Saints Sunday

**WELCOME**Pastor Beth Snarr

PRELUDE

"Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service"

Garrett Stevens

arr. Stan Pethel

# **REMEMBERING THE SAINTS**

Come, a great cloud of witnesses surrounds us as we gather.

May the lingering echo of saints resound in our songs.

In remembering them, may we find ourselves re-membered.

May their stories open a space for the Spirit to enter us anew.

May the God of every generation form us anew for this generation.

And may a new joy rise in our lives and in the life of the world.

Reed Brown, Patricia "Pat" Carlson, Anne Clayton, Mildred "Midge" Cook, Jim Emerson, Omerera "Mimi" Herring, Helen H. Howard, Robert "B.J." Jackson, Jeremy Saley, Lawrance "Larry" Shaw, Betty Rose "B.R." Stubbs, Rev. Richard "Dick" Wilson

#### **HYMN** UMH 711

"For All The Saints"

- <sup>1</sup> For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia, Alleluia!
- <sup>2</sup> Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia, Alleluia!
- <sup>3</sup> O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, and win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia, Alleluia!
- <sup>4</sup> O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia, Alleluia!
- <sup>5</sup> And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear the distant triumph song, and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia, Alleluia!
- <sup>6</sup> From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia, Alleluia!

# **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**

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

SPECIAL MUSIC "I Am Not My Own"

Craig Courtney

**Chancel Choir** 

**CALL TO PRAYER** FWS 2193 "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Harold Henderson

**LORD'S PRAYER** UMH 895

HYMN 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** Better Together Pastor Beth Snarr

We've Got a Foundation 2 Timothy 1:1-8

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION COMMUNION MEDITATION MUSIC

Lynn Sandefur-Gardner



"Maker, In Whom We Live"

- <sup>1</sup> Maker, in whom we live, in whom we are and move, the glory, power, and praise receive for thy creating love. Let all the angel throng give thanks to God on high, while earth repeats the joyful song and echoes to the sky.
- <sup>2</sup> Incarnate Deity, let all the ransomed race render in thanks their lives to thee for thy redeeming grace. The grace to sinners showed ye heavenly choirs proclaim, and cry, "Salvation to our God, salvation to the Lamb!"
- <sup>3</sup> Spirit of Holiness, let all thy saints adore thy sacred energy, and bless thine heart-renewing power. Not angel tongues can tell thy love's ecstatic height, the glorious joy unspeakable, the beatific sight.
- <sup>4</sup> Eternal, Triune God, let all the hosts above, let all on earth below record and dwell upon thy love. When heaven and earth are fled before thy glorious face, sing all the saints thy love hath made thine everlasting praise.

#### **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

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#### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Today's altar flowers are given by John Bevis and Alan Taylor in honor of their 6th wedding anniversary on November 11.

# **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.

# **MISSION MOMENT - COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRY**

Today's second-mile giving is in support of our Community Outreach Ministry. COM helps families and individuals in our community facing eviction, utility cutoff, other challenges in life. Please consider helping COM with a donation so they can continue to help others - mark your check or online donation with "COM".

#### **NEW SERMON SERIES STARTS TODAY!**

We are starting a new sermon series today based on this year's stewardship theme, "Better Together". In this series, we will look at the highs and lows we have experienced this past year as a faith family. God has done, is doing, and will do great things through our commitment to our connection in Christ - in short, we are better together!

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