

WELCOME

PRELUDE

"Beach Spring"  
arr. John Purifoy

Pastor Beth Snarr  
Maggie Tran & Zach Strickland.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, out of the noise and chaos to a quiet time and place.

Our souls thirst for some peace and quiet.

Come, and rest in the Lord who will restore your souls.

Our lives need moments of rest.

Come, and find the quiet center. Come, be at peace.

Praise God who offers to us a shelter and resting place. Amen.

Karin Jeter

HYMN FWS 2128

"Come And Find The Quiet Center"

1 Come and find the quiet 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.

2 Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace, God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, touches base, making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun, raising courage when we're shrinking, finding scope for faith begun.

3 In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain, let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain: there's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care, in the Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare!

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

"O Love"

Elaine Hegenberg

Chancel Choir

CALL TO PRAYER UMH 393

"Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Harold Henderson

LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

GATHERING SONG FWS 2233

"Where Children Belong"

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

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SERMON

Awakened to Grace

Silence

1 Kings 19:9-13

Pastor Beth Snarr

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION MEDITATION MUSIC

Maggie Tran

HYMN UMH 420

"Breathe On Me, Breath Of God"

1 Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure, until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.

3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine, till all this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die, but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

**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**

Maggie Tran

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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.



**ALTAR FLOWERS**

Today's altar flowers are given by the Maranatha Sunday School Class to the Glory of God.

**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](mailto:prayer@fumcgnv.org) or go to <https://fumcgnv.org/PrayerRequest>.

**MISSION FOCUS - COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRY**

Our ministry focus for this Sunday is our Community Outreach Ministry. COM provides support to those in need in our community facing eviction, utility shut-off, and other financial challenges. Your second-mile giving will help them to continue helping others through this vital ministry. Please note "COM" on your gift. Thank you!

**OUR SERMON SERIES**

Our current sermon series is titled "Awakened to Grace". This series invites us to begin the year by rediscovering the simple, transformative practices that open us to God's presence - Prayer, Scripture, Silence, Fasting, Sabbath, and Service. May these practices, made visible in ordinary life and everyday discipleship, open us to extraordinary love.



**SOUP-ER BOWL SUNDAY CHALLENGE STARTS TODAY!**

Super Bowl Sunday is coming up, and we're turning it into a friendly competition that makes a big impact! Choose the team you're rooting for (Seattle Seahawks or New England Patriots) and help them win by bringing cans of soup or monetary donations to church by next Sunday!

One can of soup or one dollar equals 1 point for your favorite team! Each donation counts toward your team's total, and next week we'll see which team takes home the victory! Don't care who wins? Then split your donation down the middle and support both teams! All donations will be given to Bread Of The Mighty food bank, so no matter who wins on the field, everyone wins in the end.

So pick your team, bring your soup can (or cash), and let's show some team spirit while sharing God's love in a practical way. Let the Soup-er Bowl begin!



**NO SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION AFTER WORSHIP TODAY**

Since we are celebrating Holy Communion during the worship service today, there will not be a separate Service of Holy Communion in the Chapel today.

**NAME TAGS**

A great way to connect is by knowing each other's names. If you have a First UMC name tag, please consider wearing it. If you need one, contact Larry Resch at [larry@fumcgnv.org](mailto:larry@fumcgnv.org) and he'll make one for you! (A donation of \$5 is asked to help us cover the cost of the name tags.)

**WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR MINISTRIES**



The light of Jesus shines most brightly when our God-given time and talents are shared in service to others. Learn where you can volunteer by using the QR code above or visit [fumcgnv.org/ways-to-serve](http://fumcgnv.org/ways-to-serve)

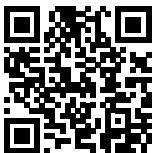


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