

WORSHIP GUIDE

July 5, 2026
6th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME

Pastor Beth Snarr

PRELUDE

"Prelude" (Opus 64, Number 2)
Georg Goltermann

Anait Piloyan

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sandy Reeves

What do you do when God calls?

Wake up. Listen. Act.

What do you do when God asks you to do something difficult?

Wake up. Listen. Act.

What do you do when God asks you to do something impossible?

Wake up. Listen. Act. Because, with God, nothing is impossible.

Even changing ourselves?

Even changing the world. Wake up. Listen. Act.

And, with all this living,

we worship God.

HYMN UMH 57 (vs. 1-5)

"O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing"

¹ O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

² My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

³ Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.

⁴ He breaks the power of canceled sin, he sets the prisoner free; his blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.

⁵ He speaks, and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

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

"Holy, Holy, Holy"
arr. Douglas Wagner

5x5 Ringers

CALL TO PRAYER UMH 420 (vs 1) "Breathe On Me, Breath Of God"

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Harold Henderson

LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

GATHERING SONG UMH 191

"Jesus Loves Me"

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SERMON

Who's Your "She"ro?
Risk and Reward
Ruth 3:1-18

Pastor Beth Snarr

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION MEDITATION MUSIC

Anait Piloyan

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.



HYMN UMH 557

“Blest Be The Tie That Binds”

- ¹ Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.
- ² Before our Father’s throne we pour our ardent prayers; our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.
- ³ We share each other’s woes, our mutual burdens bear; and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.
- ⁴ When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain; but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

BENEDICTION

Pastor Beth Snarr

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

“March”
Felix Mendelssohn

Anait Piloyan

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ALTAR FLOWERS

Today’s altar flowers are given

by Sandy Evans and Karen Harris in loving memory of Karen’s mother, Helen Alkire;
and

in joyful celebration of Anna Farabee’s 24th birthday by Beth, Phil, Nana, and Granddaddy.

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@fumcgvn.org or go to <https://fumcgvn.org/PrayerRequest>.

OUR SERMON SERIES

Our sermon series titled “Who’s Your SHEro?” continues this Sunday. This series focuses on the only two biblical books named for women - Ruth and Esther and explores their stories of heroic loyalty and courage that made significant changes for good. How is God working in our lives and the world so we can do the same?

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.

WELCOME ANAIT!

Our new organist, Anait Piloyan starts on Sunday. Anait was born in the Republic of Armenia and first began playing piano and violin when she was five years old. After ten years of playing both instruments, Anait decided to focus on playing piano. After attending the Moscow State Conservatory Academic Music College and then the Moscow State Conservatory, Anait made the choice to follow her brother, a violinist, to the United States. In 2024, Anait was accepted as a Masters student at the University of Florida where she began to study the organ. Currently Anait is teaching a small studio of students, playing at local churches, and developing a new method book on beginning piano technique.



MASTER’S PLAN 3-1/3 UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who has pledged to our Master’s Plan 3-1/3 Capital Campaign extension for 2027. We have received 52 pledges totaling \$208,274 towards our goal of \$300,000. If you’re a member or regular attender and haven’t yet made your pledge we hope you’ll do so very soon! Your gift will ensure that the second floors of Bell and Epworth Hall are accessible to handicapped persons for the first time in our 165 year history. This is generational investment that’s overdue! Let’s get it done, together. There will be pledge cards on the Welcome Table that can be dropped into any black offering box or pledge online at <https://fumcgvn.org/MastersPlan>.

WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR MINISTRIES



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