

## WELCOME

Pastor Beth Snarr

## PRELUDE

Sunshine Brass Quintet

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Harold Henderson

In reverence, in wonder, in hope, we gather.

**With unsettled questions in our hearts,**

with the mystery of God enshrouding us,

**acknowledging that we who were lost are now found and loved.**

Let us worship God.

## HYMN UMH 451 "Be Thou My Vision"

<sup>1</sup> Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

<sup>2</sup> Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou and thou only, first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure though art.

<sup>3</sup> Great God of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**I believe in an innovative God, who does not wait for us to find ourselves but comes seeking the lost and calling us into a new way.**

**I believe in Jesus of Nazareth, who when he calls us to follow, also gives us the power to become, both in creed and deed, the children of the living God.**

**I believe in the Spirit by whom Jesus still comes to us, calling us to follow him into an obedience which is true liberty and to a humble service which is the fruit of holy friendship.**

**I believe in the church as the fellowship of Christ's people, called to respect and support one another through joys and tribulations as we travel the road towards the "promised land" of God's future.**

**Because Christ has called me, in this I truly believe. 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.

## RECEIVING GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

### SPECIAL MUSIC

Sunshine Brass Quintet

## CALL TO PRAYER FWS 2128 "Come And Find The Quiet Center"

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.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

## CONNECTION CARD

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Please add me to your email list

Please have the Pastor contact me

Questions or Comments?

**HYMN** 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**

Pastor Beth Snarr

"God at Work - God Saves"

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27

**HYMN** UMH 206

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

<sup>1</sup> I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

*In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*

<sup>2</sup> I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.

<sup>3</sup> I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus.

**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**

Sunshine Brass Quintet

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

Today's altar flowers are given by Joan VanWinkle in loving memory of her husband, Bob, and in honor of her children and grandchildren.

**A NOTE FROM PASTOR SAM**

To my First UMC Family,

Thank you for such a heartwarming send-off last Sunday. I'm so appreciative the smiles, warm wishes, generous gifts, and encouraging prayers that you all have shared with me in the past few weeks. I'm also honored that Cameron met so many of you on Sunday. She was in quite the good mood the entire rest of the day, and I'm convinced it was because she felt so much love from you all in the morning. Nelson and I are so grateful for your support and your prayers as we journey to Neptune Beach. It truly has been such an honor to serve alongside you all these past two years, and I count myself so blessed. It's all grace, y'all!

Peace,

Pastor Sam

**CONNECTION CARD UPDATE**

If you stopped by the Welcome Center and checked in before the service, you don't need to fill out a Connection Card unless you have a prayer request or change of contact information.

**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).

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