

WELCOME

Pastor Beth Snarr

PRELUDE

Gavan Mcvey

CALL TO WORSHIP

Barbara Simmons

Praise to the God who loves us.

Thanks to the God who heals us.

Praise to Christ, who sets us free.

Thanks to the Spirit who makes us one.

We worship you, Holy One, in gratitude and love.

HYMN UMH 264

“Silence, Frenzied, Unclean Spirit”

¹ “Silence, frenzied, unclean spirit!” cried God’s healing Holy One. “Cease your ranting! Flesh can’t bear it; flee as night before the sun.” At Christ’s words the demon trembled, from its victim madly rushed, while the crowd that was assembled stood in wonder, stunned and hushed.

² Lord, the demons still are thriving in the grey cells of the mind: tyrant voices, shrill and driving, twisted thoughts that grip and bind, doubts that stir the heart to panic, fears distorting reason’s sight, guilt that makes our loving frantic, dreams that cloud the soul with fright.

³ Silence, Lord, the unclean spirit in our mind and in our heart; speak your word that when we hear it, all our demons shall depart. Clear our thought and calm our feeling; still the fractured, warring soul. By the power of your healing make us faithful, true, and whole.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We trust in God, Creator of all things, who is pure compassion, who loves us unconditionally, who is present with us in good times and bad.

We trust in Christ, the embodiment of God’s love, the lover and healer of our souls, who forgives our failures and washes away our betrayals, who teaches us life’s deepest things: how to pray, how to love, how to be gentle with each other.

We trust in the Holy Spirit, God’s power flowing in us, who comforts the faithful, empowers us to love as we have been loved, and joins us together as the Body of Christ.

We believe we are sent in that Spirit to heal, to forgive, to do justice, to radiate the love of God, in the name of Christ. 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

Joe and Carol Ward

RECEIVING GOD’S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Hush! Somebody’s Callin’ My Name”
Brazeal Dennard

Chancel Choir

CALL TO PRAYER FWS 2128 (vs 1) “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

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

Under Our Roof, Beyond Our Walls
Teaching
Mark 1:21-28

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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.



¹ Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord! We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God!

We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly, we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God!

² Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear! We are called to be hope for the hopeless so all hatred and blindness will be no more!

³ Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love!

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

Capital Campaign Kickoff Montage

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 fumcgnv.org/ConnectionCard



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Please share only with the Pastors

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given by Evelyn Jones in loving memory of her mother Barbara Kirby.

These upcoming dates are available for donating altar flowers: February 4 and March 3, 17, and 24. 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 make last Sunday's "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!



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