

WORSHIP GUIDE

May 5, 2024
6th Sunday of Easter

WELCOME

Pastor Harold Henerson

PRELUDE

Gavan Mcvey

CALL TO WORSHIP

Marlene Udell

Eternal God, you create us in beauty.

We sing your praise.

Loving Christ, you heal us and teach us and lead us with love and grace.

We sing your praise.

Holy Spirit, you live in us so we shine with your love.

We sing your praise. We worship in joy. Alleluia!

HYMN FWS 2170

"God Made From One Blood"

- ¹ God made from one blood all the families of earth, the circles of nurture that raised us from birth, companions who join us to walk through each stage of childhood and youth and adulthood and age.
- ² We turn to you, God, with our thanks and our tears for all of the families we've known through the years, the intimate networks on whom we depend of parent and partner and roommate and friend.
- ³ We learn through our families how closeness and trust increase when our actions are loving and just. Yet families have also distorted their roles, mistreating their members and bruising their souls.
- ⁴ Give, Lord, to each family in conflict and storm a sense of your wisdom and grace that transform sharp anger to insight which strengthens the heart and makes clear the place where rebuilding can start.
- ⁵ Then widen that wisdom and grace to include the races and viewpoints our families exclude till peace in each home bears and nurtures the bud of peace shared by all you have made from one blood.

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

"On Eagles Wings"
arr. Douglas Wagner

Chancel Choir

CALL TO PRAYER

"This Little Light of Mine"

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine. Let it shine. Let it shine.

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

Elise Caton

SERMON

"Tacos and Tambourines"
Exodus 15:19-21 and Matthew 5:43-48

Rev. Clair Carter

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION MEDITATION MUSIC

Lynn Sandefur-Gardner

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 571

“Go, Make Of All Disciples”

- ¹ “Go, make of all disciples.” We hear the call, O Lord, that comes from thee, our Father, in thy eternal Word. Inspire our ways of learning through earnest, fervent prayer, and let our daily living reveal thee everywhere.
- ² “Go, make of all disciples,” baptizing in the name of Father, Son, and Spirit, from age to age the same. We call each new disciple to follow thee, O Lord, redeeming soul and body by water and the Word.
- ³ “Go, make of all disciples.” We at thy feet would stay until each life’s vocation accents thy holy way. We cultivate the nature God plants in every heart, revealing in our witness the master teacher’s art.
- ⁴ “Go, make of all disciples.” We welcome thy command. “Lo, I am with you always.” We take thy guiding hand. The task looms large before us; we follow without fear; in heaven and earth thy power shall bring God’s kingdom here.

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

CONNECTION CARD



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ALTAR FLOWERS

Today’s altar flowers are given by Sally Cravens in honor of Mary S. Britt.

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.

WELCOME REVEREND CLAIR CARTER

Clair serves as the Director of Family Empowerment at Trinity UMC’s Faith Missjon campus. She runs Circles Gainesville, a ministry devoted to moving families out of poverty permanently. She is on loan from the Louisiana Annual conference where she is ordained in full connection as a deacon. Service and community engagement are two of her passions and she is committed to a simple life of service through the grace of Jesus, and she will always choose to make time to be curious about this amazing world.

MISSION MOMENT - COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRY

Our mission moment this week is our Community Outreach Ministry that 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 ministry. Please note “COM” on your gift. Thank you!

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