

## WELCOME

Pastor Beth Snarr

## PRELUDE

"Fanfare Prelude on AURELIA"  
*arr. Douglas Wagner*

Maggie Tran and  
the Celebration Ringers

## THE GOSPEL READING OF JESUS ENTERING INTO JERUSALEM

Mark 11:1-11

## HYMN UMH 280

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

*All glory, laud, and honor, to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.*

- <sup>1</sup> Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son, who in the Lord's name comest, the King and Blessed One.
- <sup>2</sup> The company of angels are praising thee on high, and we with all creation in chorus make reply.
- <sup>3</sup> The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; our prayer and praise and anthems before thee we present.
- <sup>4</sup> To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise; to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.
- <sup>5</sup> Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King.

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Steve Kee

Will you follow? Will you lay down your coat? Will you lay down something important? Will you shout "Hosanna"? Will you join the parade? Will you sing, even if your throat is hoarse? Will you cut down a palm branch? Will you wave it in the air? Will you follow the one riding on a donkey? Will you let this good news inspire you to act?

**We will. We will sing. We will pay close attention. We will worship. We will follow.**

Hosanna in the highest!

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## 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

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Michael Robert Shortley

## RECEIVING GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

## SPECIAL MUSIC

"Palm Sunday Hosanna!"  
*Joel Raney*

Chancel Choir, Handbells,  
and First Choristers

## CALL TO PRAYER FWS 2025

"As The Deer"

As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you. You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you. You alone are my strength, my shield; to you alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Harold Henderson

## LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

## GATHERING SONG UMH 156

"I Love to Tell the Story"

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory, to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

## CHILDREN'S MOMENT

## SERMON

The Good News Is...  
Inspiring Us To Act

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## HYMN FWS 2172

"We Are Called"

<sup>1</sup> 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!*

<sup>2</sup> 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!

<sup>3</sup> 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

Maggie Tran

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## Holy Week Services

### Maundy Thursday

April 2 at 7:00 p.m.

### Good Friday

April 3 at 7:00 p.m.

## Easter Sunday Celebration

April 5 at 10:30 a.m.

### ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are

given by Brendan and Dalis Shortley in celebration of the baptism of their son, Michael Robert, and

given anonymously for the glory of God on this Palm Sunday. "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord."

### 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 - RESIDING HOPE



Our second-mile giving for today is in support of Residing Hope. Residing Hope is a ministry of the Florida United Methodist Conference and is a diverse christian-based ministry that includes therapeutic residential care, foster care, independent living assistance, Montessori education for the community, and counseling services in multiple counties. Please note "Residing Hope" on your gift.

### OUR SERMON SERIES FOR LENT

Our current sermon series is titled "Tell Me Something Good: Grounding Ourselves in the Good News this Lent". Following Jesus leads to a richer, more expansive life, but it's not necessarily comfortable. Jesus' ministry can be described as "radical" which comes from the Latin word "radicalis" meaning "root" or "ground". Therefore, the good news should bring us back to our roots. Emulating Jesus and embodying his teachings should ground us in who God created us to be. Can we be "good news" people in a world too often burdened by bad news? Yes! We can and we must!



### EASTER LILIES

Tomorrow (Monday, March 30) is the last day to purchase Easter lilies. You can use the cards on the Welcome Table or you can submit your order online at <https://fumcgnv.org/lilies>.



### COMMUNION SERVICE AFTER WORSHIP TODAY

A brief Service of Holy Communion will be held in the Shaw Memorial Chapel (located off the Fellowship Hall) immediately after worship today. If you'd like to receive this tangible expression of God's grace, please join us. Everyone is welcome!

## 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)



### GIVE BY CHECK

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