PRELUDE CALL TO WORSHIP

**WELCOME** 

Pastor Beth Snarr Gavan Mcvey Elise Caton

God of Life,

you are as near to us as our breath.

Touch our eyes,

that we may see you in one another.

Open our ears,

that we may hear your voice in the cries of the oppressed.

Enter our hearts,

that we may be filled with your love toward all people.

Come, O God of life and breath and wholeness.

Be with us now. Show us the way to new life and grant us the courage to be people of your Way.

**HYMN** UMH 57 (vss. 1-5, 7) "O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing"

- <sup>1</sup> O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!
- <sup>2</sup> My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.
- <sup>3</sup> 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.
- <sup>4</sup> He breaks the power of canceled sin, he sets the prisoner free; his blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.
- <sup>5</sup> He speaks, and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.
- <sup>7</sup> In Christ, your head, you then shall know, shall feel your sins forgiven; anticipate your heaven below, and own that love is heaven.

### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

We believe in the Creator God, mighty and powerful, who reigns over us in love.

We believe in the Crucified and Risen Christ, humble and passionate, who reaches out to us in love.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, divine energy within and among us, who fills us with love.

## **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 "I Believe" Chancel Choir

Mark Miller

**CALL TO PRAYER** W&S 3008 "Open The Eyes Of My Heart"

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart; I want to see you, I want to see you. Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart; I want to see you, I want to see you.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Harold Henderson

**LORD'S PRAYER** UMH 895

**HYMN** UMH 277 (vs 2) "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"

<sup>2</sup> First let me hear how the children stood round his knee, and I shall fancy his blessing resting on me; words full of kindness, deeds full of grace, all in the lovelight of Jesus' face.

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT** 

**SERMON** 

Carl Rocap

Pastor Beth Snarr

Slow Cooker Faith

Wonderful Words of Life

Mark 8:22-26



"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

- <sup>1</sup> A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.
- <sup>2</sup> Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing, were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he; Lord Sabaoth, his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.
- <sup>3</sup> And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us. The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.
- <sup>4</sup> That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours, thru him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill; God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever.

#### **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

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### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Today's altar flowers are given by Randy and Cynthia Stacey in honor and memory of all who have shaped our hearts and minds by their living.

## **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.

## **MISSION MOMENT - FLORIDA UNITED METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME**

This Sunday's second-mile giving is in support of the Florida United Methodist Children's Home whose vision is to heal and restore children and families through the love of God. Please include "Children's Home" or "FUMCH" in the note on your check or online gift.

## THANKSGIVING BASKETS

We are collecting food items through November 5 and making baskets for 30 families in need at our partner school, Metcalfe Elementary. You can drop off your donations at the church office Monday through Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., or Sunday mornings before or after church. Thanks in advance for your cooperation and generosity! You can view the list of needed items along with the option for donating online at *fumcgnv.org/Thanksgiving*.

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