

WELCOME

Pastor Beth Snarr

PRELUDE

"Simple Gifts"
arr. Frank Halferty

Jennifer Miller, Drew Miller,
and Anait Peloyan

CALL TO WORSHIP

Steve Kee

We have come to worship God, the living God,
who calls prophets and teachers to bear witness.

We have come to praise God, the almighty God,
who answers the forces of hatred and hurt with the power of grace.

We have come to worship God, all-gracious God,
who chooses even you and me, to receive and carry the Word of life and hope. All glory to God!

HYMN UMH 101 "From All That Dwell Below The Skies"

¹ From all that dwell below the skies, let the Creator's praise arise; let the Redeemer's name be sung, through every land by every tongue.

² Eternal are thy mercies, Lord; eternal truth attends thy word. Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore, till suns shall rise and set no more.

³ Your lofty themes, ye mortals, bring, in songs of praise divinely sing; the great salvation loud proclaim, and shout for joy the Savior's name.

⁴ In every land begin the song; to every land the strains belong; in cheerful sounds all voices raise, and fill the world with loudest praise.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God the Creator, who is always creating and invites us to affirm and explore who we are in his love.

We believe in God the Savior revealed in the world as Jesus the Christ who died and is risen, the one Lord of the church.

We believe in God the Reconciler, the Holy Spirit, who is always with us bearing witness with our spirits that we are the children of God.

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

"Be Thou My Vision"
arr. Lee Burswold

Jennifer Miller and Anait Peloyan

CALL TO PRAYER UMH 496 (vs 3) "Sweet Hour Of Prayer"

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer! thy wings shall my petition bear to him whose truth and faithfulness engage the waiting soul to bless. And since he bids me seek his face, believe his word, and trust his grace, I'll cast on him my every care, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Harold Henderson

LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

GATHERING SONG

"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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SERMON

It's Not First UMC Without U!
Assembled

Pastor Beth Snarr

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

HYMN UMH 400 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

¹ Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.

² Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

³ O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

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

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"
arr. Larry Shackley

Jennifer and Drew Miller

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.



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ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given by Larry and Donna Parrish in celebration of their 54th wedding anniversary.

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 go to <https://fumcgnv.org/PrayerRequest>.

MISSION MOMENT - COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRY

Today's second mile giving is in support of our Community Outreach Ministry. COM 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!

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who continues to financially support our church over the summer. The pace of activity slows down this time of the year, but the bills keep on coming!

NEW SERMON SERIES STARTS TODAY

Today we are starting a new sermon series titled "It's Not First UMC without U". The summer is coming to close and a new season of ministry stretches out before our faith family. God calls and equips every individual to make a positive difference as we work together as the body of Christ on our campus, in our community, and around our world. How are U helping First UMC be the best WE can be? Not for our glory, but for God's!

CONNECTION CARD

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