

## WELCOME

Pastor Beth Snarr

## PRELUDE

Jennifer Miller and Lynn Sandefur-Gardner

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Carl Rocap

When we are lost in the wilderness,

**God's steadfast love endures forever.**

When we complain about our problems,

**God's steadfast love endures forever.**

When we ignore abundant provisions,

**God's steadfast love endures forever.**

When we sneak around in the dark,

**God's steadfast love endures forever.**

When questions loom and faith falters,

**God's steadfast love endures forever.**

In this time of worship, God, may we release our failures and rest in your love.

## HYMN UMH 605

"Wash, O God, Our Sons And Daughters"

<sup>1</sup> Wash, O God, our sons and daughters, where your cleansing waters flow. Number them among your people; bless as Christ blessed long ago. Weave them garments bright and sparkling; compass them with love and light. Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit, holy dove and heart's delight.

<sup>2</sup> We who bring them long for nurture; by your milk may we be fed. Let us join your feast, partaking cup of blessing, living bread. God, renew us, guide our footsteps; free from sin and all its snares, one with Christ in living, dying, by your Spirit, children, heirs.

<sup>3</sup> O how deep your holy wisdom! Unimagined, all your ways! To your name be glory, honor! With our lives we worship, praise! We your people stand before you, water-washed and Spirit-born. By your grace, our lives we offer. Recreate us; God, transform!

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in the one God, creator and sustainer of all things, the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength.**

**We believe in the forgiveness of sins, in the life of love and prayer, and in grace equal to every need.**

**We believe in the church, those who are united in the living Lord for the purpose of worship and service.**

**We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in 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

"God Help the Outcasts"  
*arr. Audrey Snyder*

Sadie Court and Chancel Choir

## CALL TO PRAYER UMH 528 (vs 1)

"Nearer, My God, To Thee"

Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee! E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me, still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to thee; nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!

## 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

Believe: Lent With Ted Lasso  
Be A Goldfish  
*Mark 10:13-16*

Pastor Beth Snarr

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 191

“Jesus Loves Me”

<sup>1</sup> Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.

*Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

<sup>2</sup> Jesus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long ago, taking children on his knee, saying, “Let them come to me.”

<sup>3</sup> Jesus loves me still today, walking with me on my way, wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live.

**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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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.

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**ALTAR FLOWERS**

Today's altar flowers are given by Wes Emmanuel in honor of his dad, George, on his March 11 birthday.

These are the remaining dates available in 2024 for donating altar flowers: April 14; May 5 & 19; and September 1. Please contact Janet Rocap at [janet@fumcgnv.org](mailto: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](mailto:prayer@fumcgnv.org) or note it on the Connection Card.

**NEW SERMON SERIES**

We have started a new sermon series titled “Believe: Lent With Ted Lasso”. What Ted Lasso lacks in knowledge, he makes up for with humility, determination, and a belief in the power of goodness and hope. Sounds a lot like the Gospel, doesn't it? This series takes us through the end of Lent and into Easter as we continue to discover the wisdom of Jesus in the Gospel of Mark with a little help from a goofy, good guy named Ted.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

Sunday, March 24 is Celebration Sunday! Immediately after worship, we will be having a luncheon in Fellowship Hall celebrating the results of our Capital Campaign. Childcare (and pizza!) will be provided for children up to the 4th grade. We'll need a headcount to ensure plenty to eat, so RSVP to Pam Winn by email at [pamelawinn54@gmail.com](mailto:pamelawinn54@gmail.com) or by phone/text at 352-316-6739.

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