

WELCOME

Pastor Beth Snarr

PRELUDE

Gavan Mcvey

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

Come, a great cloud of witnesses surrounds us as we gather.

May the lingering echo of saints resound in our songs.

In remembering them, may we find ourselves re-membered.

May their stories open a space for the Spirit to enter us anew.

May the God of every generation form us anew for this generation.

And may a new joy rise in our lives and in the life of the world.

Cleo Abbott, Amy Anderson, Sarah Brown, Betty Mae Bell O'Byrne,
Omeara "Rusty" Etherington, June Green, Beverly Hammer, Hal Ingman, Grace Nelson,
Mary Nell Reeves, Elizabeth Shaw, Eunice Shearn, John "Wilt" Wagner, Roger Westphal

HYMN UMH 711 (vss 1-5) "For All The Saints"

¹ For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia, Alleluia!

² Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia, Alleluia!

³ O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, and win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia, Alleluia!

⁴ O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia, Alleluia!

⁵ And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear the distant triumph song, and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia, Alleluia!

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH UMH 881 Apostles Creed Pastor Harold Henderson

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.

HYMN UMH 711 (vs 6) "For All The Saints"

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia, Alleluia!

RECEIVING GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Pie Jesu" from *Requiem*
Heather Sorenson

Chancel Choir

CALL TO PRAYER FWS 2193 "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Harold Henderson

LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

HYMN 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

The "All-in" Family
Matthew 14:1-21

Pastor Beth Snarr

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION MEDITATION MUSIC

Jennifer Miller and Lynn Sandefur-Gadner

HYMN FWS 2008 "Let All Things Now Living"

¹ Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God the Creator triumphantly raise, who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, who guides us and leads to the end of our days. God's banners fly o'er us; God's light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in the night, till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished, as forward we travel from light into light.

² The law God enforces, the stars in their courses and sun in its orbit obediently shine; the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains, the deeps of the ocean proclaim the Divine. We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing; with glad adoration a song let us raise, till all things now living unite in thanksgiving: To God in the highest hosanna and praise!

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

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CONNECTION CARD

Please place the Connection Card in the basket on your way out of the Sanctuary today. You can also fill this out online using our First UMC app or at fumcgnv.org/ConnectionCard

Name(s): _____

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Please have the Pastor contact me

I would like to volunteer, please have someone contact me

Questions, Comments, Prayer Requests Please share only with the Pastors

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given by Kay Greathouse, to her favorite Marine, LtCol Ret, Daniel G. Greathouse, USMC. *Happy Birthday, Love, MKG.*

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.

CONNECTION CARDS

First-time guests, we hope you'll fill out a Connection Card that includes your contact information so we can share a special welcome with you this week.

Regular attenders who checked in at the Welcome Table, you don't need to fill out a Connection Card unless you have a prayer request or change of contact information. Thanks to all, we're glad you're here!

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

We are making baskets for families in need at our partner school Metcalfe Elementary as well as partnering with Trinity UMC again to fill baskets for the community. Due to the short time we have, we are asking for monetary donations and we will do all the shopping. A complete basket will cost \$50 but any amount will help. Please note *Thanksgiving Baskets* on your donation and thank you!

TODAY'S SPECIAL MUSIC

Our Special Music for this service is from the *Requiem* by Heather Sorenson. This piece was commissioned by the congregation of First UMC with hope and light for the world.

MASKS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

If you are fully vaccinated, you are not required to wear a mask while in worship, but if you are more comfortable wearing one, please do so.

WEEKLY WELCOME

A copy of our Weekly Welcome newsletter is available on the the Welcome Table if you wish to take one and see all the latest news and information at First UMC. If you want to receive a copy via email, simply note that on the Connection Card or drop an email to contact@fumcgnv.org.

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