# **WORSHIP GUIDE**

# July 2, 2023 5th Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor Harold Henderson

**WELCOME** Pastor Beth Snarr

**PRELUDE** "Lift Every Voice and Sing" Dean Brown

Friends, let us worship God today, for God is great.

God has blessed us with life, with faith, and with community.

Let us worship God today, for God is good.

God forgives us, and encourages us, and loves us.

Let us worship God today

because we are God's people.

Let us worship God.

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

**HYMN** UMH 557 "Blest Be The Tie That Binds"

- <sup>1</sup> Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.
- <sup>2</sup> Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers; our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.
- <sup>3</sup> We share each other's woes, our mutual burdens bear; and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.
- <sup>4</sup> When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain; but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

#### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** UMH 881

**Apostles Creed** 

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.

### **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.

#### **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

#### RECEIVING GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

SPECIAL MUSIC "Be Still My Soul" Dean Brown

CALL TO PRAYER UMH 393

"Spirit of the Living God"

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#### 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 worshiping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: this is where children belong.

## **CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

SERMON

Fruit-full Faith and Forrest Gump Patience Pastor Beth Snarr

Galatians 5:22-23 & Romans 15:1-7

# SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

#### **COMMUNION MEDITATION MUSIC**

**HYMN** UMH 560

"Help Us Accept Each Other"

- <sup>1</sup> Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us; teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace. Be present, Lord, among us, and bring us to believe we are ourselves accepted and meant to love and live.
- <sup>2</sup> Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life we struggle to be human and search for hope and faith. Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some, to love them as we find them, or as they may become.
- <sup>3</sup> Let your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved in living situations to do the truth in love; to practice your acceptance, until we know by heart the table of forgiveness and laughter's healing art.
- <sup>4</sup> Lord, for today's encounters with all who are in need, who hunger for acceptance, for righteousness and bread, we need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on; renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us, make us one!

#### **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

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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Please have a Pastor contact me	☐ Volunteering ☐ M	embership at First UMC
Questions, Comments, Prayer Requests  Please share only with the Pastors	Growth Groups Of	ther

#### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Today's altar flowers are given by Joanne Oquendo in loving memory of her brother, Jeff Miller.

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.

Our Prayer Blanket and Shawl Ministry group meets every Monday at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Barbara Close to work on prayer shawls. For more information, contact Barbara at 561-512-8442.

# **MISSION MOMENT - COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRY**

Our second-mile giving this week is in support of our Community Outreach Ministry who continues to help those in need in our community facing utility cut-off, eviction, and other hardships in their lives. Their food pantry is full again thanks to your generosity last month! Please note "COM" on your check or online gift.

# **CONNECTION CARDS**

We're glad you're worshiping with us today!

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.

## CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY AND TUESDAY

The church office will be closed on Monday and Tuesday for the Fourth of July holiday and will reopen at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday. The staff will be working on Monday but will have the day off on Tuesday. Have a safe and happy Fourth of July!

# WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR MINISTRIES



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