

## WELCOME

Pastor Beth Snarr

## PRELUDE

"Andante con moto"  
*Alexandre Guilmant*

Gavan Mcvey

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Harold Henderson

Children of God: welcome!

**Welcome to this place of love and grace,**

welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.

**God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,**

God invites all of us to share in the good news:

**We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.**

In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

## HYMN FWS 2197

"Lord Of All Hopefulness"

<sup>1</sup> Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy: Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

<sup>2</sup> Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

<sup>3</sup> Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace: Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

<sup>4</sup> Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm: Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We are all God's family; we are special; we belong; we are not alone; we are wanted; we are accepted; we don't have to be afraid; we are imperfect, but, we still belong.**

**We are accepted; we need not feel guilty; we can start over again; we are safe.**

**There is meaning and purpose; there is always love for us; we can live with ourselves because God's Spirit lives in us.**

**We can belong to Christ; in Christ, we belong to each other.**

## 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

"My Good Lord's Done Been Here"  
*Andre Thomas*

Chancel Choir

## 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 worshipping 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  
Love

Pastor Beth Snarr

*Galatians 5:22-24 & Hebrews 12:1-3*

## HYMN UMH 206

"I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light"

<sup>1</sup> I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

*In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*

<sup>2</sup> I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.

<sup>3</sup> I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus.

## 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

"Seasons of Love"  
Jonathan Larson

Chancel Choir

## CONNECTION CARD



Please place the Connection Card in the basket on your way out of the Sanctuary today. You can also fill one out using our First UMC app or online at [fumcgnv.org/ConnectionCard](http://fumcgnv.org/ConnectionCard)

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 Member  Guest  Regular Attendee

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Please have someone contact me, I am interested in  
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 Growth Groups  Other

## ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given by Larry & Cheryl Resch in celebration of their 37th wedding anniversary on June 6.

## 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.

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.

## TODAY'S MISSION MOMENT - RECONCILING MINISTRIES NETWORK

Our second-mile giving today supports the Reconciling Ministries Network which is committed to intersectional justice across and beyond the United Methodist connection, and working for the full participation of all LGBTQ+ people throughout the life and leadership of the Church. First UMC is a member congregation of the RMN and more information can be found at <https://rmnetwork.org>.

## 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.

## NEW SERMON SERIES STARTS TODAY!

Our new sermon series "Fruit-full Faith and Forrest Gump" will use some of Forrest's most famous quotes in our exploration of the fruit of the Spirit listed in Galatians 5:22-24: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. The Galatians passage will be used weekly along with another scripture passage in which the "fruit of the day" is evident. May our faith be more "fruit-full" as we run the race set before us with perseverance and endurance, keeping our eyes on Jesus, and encourage others to run alongside us. Run, First UMC, Run!

## WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR MINISTRIES



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