WORSHIP GUIDE

January 30, 2022 4th Sunday after Epiphany

WELCOME
PRELUDE
George Emmanuel
CALL TO WORSHIP
Janet Rocap

Before God spoke the first word of creation, there was love.

Before anyone entered the sanctuary this morning, love was already here.

When we draw our last breath and leave this world, love will be waiting for us.

That love is God.

Then let us worship God.

HYMN UMH 408

"Gift of Love"

- ¹ Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire, and have not love, my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.
- ² Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess, but not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.
- ³ Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made whole. Let inward love guide every deed; by this we worship, and are freed.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We love and trust God, who is love.

We love and trust Jesus, who embodied love. In love he bore all things, believed all things, hoped all things, endured all things. In love he bore the cross and died; and in love, God raised him from the dead, for love never dies.

We love and trust the Holy Spirit, who gives us life. Our knowledge is finite; our religion will end; but the love of the Spirit is infinite.

In the Love of this Holy Trinity, we are fully known and we give thanks. We have the gifts of faith, hope, and love. And the greatest of these is love.

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.

RECEIVING GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

SPECIAL MUSIC George Emmanuel

CALL TO PRAYER W&S 3026

"God is Good, All the Time"

God is good, God is good all the time. God is good, God is good all the time.

- ¹ In our doubts, hopes and fear, joys and tears, God is good, God is good all the time. God is good, God is good all the time.
- ² When there's no one to share our despair, God is good, God is good all the time. God is good, God is good all the time. God is good all the time.
- ³ When there's love to be found all around, God is good, God is good all the time.

CONNECTION CARD You can also fill this out online using our First UMC app or at fumcgnv.org/ConnectionCard	
Name(s): Member First-Time Guest Regular Attendee Prayer Requests Please share with the Prayer Team Please share only with the Pastor	
Please add/update my contact information: Email: Phone: Address:	□ Mobile □ Home
Please add me to your email list Please have the Pastor contact me I would like to volunteer, please have someone contact me Questions or Comments?	

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Carl Rocap

SERMON

Pastor Beth Snarr

"Life is Go(o)d!" 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

HYMN UMH 378 (vs. 1, 2, 4, 6)

"Amazing Grace"

- ¹ Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.
- ² 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.
- ⁴ The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.
- ⁶ When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

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

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given by Sarah Daly in grateful love and appreciation for her family.

We have a few dates open in 2022 where you can donate our altar flowers. The cost is \$55 for 2 bouquets automatically delivered. You may take your flowers home with you after service or donate them to the church. Please contact Janet Rocap at <code>janet@fumcgnv.org</code> for more information or to claim a date. Thank you!

CONNECTION CARDS

<u>First-time guests</u>, 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.

<u>Regular attenders</u> 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!

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*.

IF YOU SAY SO...

We will be starting a brand, new series next Sunday titled "If You Say So..." that is based on the Gospel of Luke. We will explore how the stories Jesus told challenged the disciples then, and challenge us now, to follow Jesus even when his words and actions go against the grain of conventional wisdom. We believe, help our unbelief!

MISSION MOMENT - FLORIDA UNITED METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Our fifth-week second-mile giving is in support of the Florida United Methodist Children's Home that provides a diverse ministry which includes residential care, therapeutic group care, foster care, emergency shelter care, independent living assistance, and a community child care center.

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