# WORSHIP GUIDE

# July 4, 2021 6th Sunday after Pentecost

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"Shenandoah"

## CALL TO WORSHIP

WELCOME

PRELUDE

We are children of God:

## called to praise, and to bless, and to show mercy.

We are citizens of a nation:

## called to care, and to respond, and to share our freedom.

We are members of a community: called to know each other, and to accept each other, and to welcome all.

# We belong to God, and through God, to one another.

So may our hearts be as one, and let us worship our God.

## **HYMN** UMH 698

## "God of the Ages"

<sup>1</sup> God of the ages, whose almighty hand leads forth in beauty all the starry band of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

- <sup>2</sup> Thy love divine hath led us in the past; in this free land with thee our lot is cast; be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay, thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.
- <sup>3</sup> From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, be thy strong arm our ever sure defense; thy true religion in our hearts increase; thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.
- <sup>4</sup> Refresh thy people on their toilsome way; lead us from night to never-ending day; fill all our lives with love and grace divine, and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

## 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. Amen.

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

## SPECIAL MUSIC

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

Handbell Trio

#### **CALL TO PRAYER** FWS 2128 "Come And Find The Quiet Center" Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead, find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed: Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

<b>CONNECTION CARD</b> You can also fill this out online using our first UMC app or at <i>fumcgnv.org/ConnectionCard</i>
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Please add/update my contact information:
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Address:
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Please have the Pastor 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**

SERMON

"God at Work - God Challenges"

2 Samuel 12:1-15

#### SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

**HYMN** UMH 717 (vs 1, 3, 5) "The Battle Hymn of the Republic"

<sup>1</sup> Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord; he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; he hath loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword; his truth is marching on.

Glory, glory, hallelujah! Glory, glory, hallelujah! Glory, glory, hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

- <sup>3</sup> He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat; he is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat; O be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet! Our God is marching on.
- <sup>5</sup> He is coming like the glory of the morning on the wave, he is wisdom to the mighty, he is honor to the brave; so the world shall be his footstool, and the soul of wrong his slave. Our God is marching on.

#### 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 Richard and Ruth Ann Wilson in memory of their parents, Elbert & Ilah Wilson and Albert & Inez Schneider.

#### **MISSION MOMENT**

Join us as we pray for and support the families affected by the partial collapse of the Champlain Towers South building in Surfside, FL. Hundreds of people have been displaced from their homes and rescue teams continue to lead search and recovery efforts. In addition to prayer, you can provide practical support for the victims by making a monetary gift to First UMC, Attention: Surfside Fund.

#### **NEW SERMON SERIES**

We will be starting a new sermon series next week titled "No Longer Strangers". This six-week series will explore what it looks like to live rooted in reconciliation, both vertical and horizontal, with God and neighbor.

#### **CONNECTION CARD UPDATE**

If you stopped by the Welcome Center and checked in before the service, you don't need to fill out a Connection Card unless you have a prayer request or change of contact information.

#### **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*.

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