

WELCOME

Pastor Beth Snarr

PRELUDE

Jennifer Miller & Lynn Sandefur-Gardner

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Harold Henderson

Jesus reminded the disciples,

“Love one another as I have loved you.”

Jesus taught and witnessed to God’s love.

Love one another as I have loved you.

Jesus encourages us to love each other with tenderness, compassion, and hope.

Let us love one another as Christ loved us. Amen.

HYMN UMH 110

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

¹ A mighty fortress is our God a bulwark never failing; our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

² Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing, were not the right man on our side, the man of God’s own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he; Lord Sabaoth, his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.

³ And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us. The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

⁴ That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours, thru him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill; God’s truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We entrust ourselves to God. Divine Maker and Lover of all. We are created by love, for love, and we give thanks.

We entrust ourselves to Jesus, God’s Anointed One, who embodied God’s love in its fullest. His love has healed us and fed us, taught us and guided us, freed us and raised us to new life, and we give thanks.

We entrust ourselves to the Holy Spirit, the spirit of love, by whose power we care and forgive, heal and bless. This is the Spirit that empowers us to live for justice and healing in the name of Christ. We pray that by that Spirit we may love as we have been loved, for the sake of the whole world, and we give thanks. 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

“Then Will the Very Rocks Cry Out”
arr. Mark Hayes

Chancel Choir

CALL TO PRAYER UMH 496 (vs 1)

“Sweet Hour of Prayer”

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer! that calls me from a world of care, and bids me at my Father’s throne make all my wants and wishes known. In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief, and oft escaped the tempter’s snare by thy return, sweet hour of prayer!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Harold Henderson

LORD’S PRAYER UMH 895

HYMN UMH 191 (vs 1)

“Jesus Loves Me”

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

SERMON

“From the Tomb”
Glorify God
John 13:31-35

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HYMN UMH 310

“He Lives”

- ¹ I serve a risen Savior, he’s in the world today; I know that he is living, whatever foes may say. I see his hand of mercy, I hear his voice of cheer, and just the time I need him, he’s always near. *He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life’s narrow way. He lives, he lives, salvation to impart! You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.*
- ² In all the world around me I see his loving care, and though my heart grows weary, I never will despair. I know that he is leading through all the stormy blast; the day of his appearing will come at last.
- ³ Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King! The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find; none other is so loving, so good and kind.

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

Fugehtte on “A Mighty Fortress”
Johann Pachelbel

Gavan Mcvey

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): _____

- 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:

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Email: _____ Phone: _____

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- 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?

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today’s altar flowers are given by Dodie Andrews in loving memory of her and Bill’s daughter, Suzanne.

FAMILY PROMISE WEEK

We are hosting families on-site again at the end of May! Please look in this week’s *Weekly Welcome* for the link on how you can help.

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!

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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