WORSHIP GUIDE

January 21, 2024 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

WELCOME Pastor Beth Snarr

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP Pastor Harold Henderson

Christ is calling you as disciples.

Lord Jesus, let us follow you faithfully.

You will be led outside of places of comfort where you will experience new ways to live and new people to love.

Lord Jesus, where you lead us, we will go.

Listen for Christ's call to you.

We are ready to serve the Lord. So be it! Amen.

HYMN UMH 206

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

¹ 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.

- ² 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.
- ³ 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.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in the one God, creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations, the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, our teacher, example, and Redeemer; the Savior of the world.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength.

We believe in the church, those who are united in the living Lord for the purpose of worship and service.

We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in 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

COUNT ME IN MOMENT

Lynda Knight

RECEIVING GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

SPECIAL MUSIC

"In This Very Room"
Ron Harris

Chancel Choir

CALL TO PRAYER FWS 2128 (vs 1) "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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Harold Henderson

LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

GATHERING SONG 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

Under Our Roof, Beyond Our Walls Reaching Mark 1:14-20

Pastor Beth Snarr

"Victory in Jesus"

¹ I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory, how He gave His life on Calvary to save a wretch like me; I heard about His groaning, of His precious blood's atoning, then I repented of my sins and won the victory.

O victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever! He sought me and bought me with His redeeming blood; he loved me ere I knew him, and all my love is due him; he plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood.

- ² I heard about his healing, of His cleansing power revealing, how he made the lame to walk again and caused the blind to see; and then I cried, "Dear Jesus, come and heal my broken spirit," and somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory.
- ³ I heard about a mansion he has built for me in glory, and I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea; about the angels singing and the old redemption story, and some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory.

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

CONNECTION CARD Please use the Connection Card for any questions, comments, or prayer requests you may have and place 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 Please have a Pastor contact me Please have someone contact me, I am interested in Volunteering Membership at First UMC Please add me to your email list $\mathsf{O}_{\mathsf{ther}}$ Growth Groups My contact information: ☐ Mobile Home Email: _ Phone: _ Questions, Comments, Prayer Requests Please share only with the Pastors

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given by Ole Nelson in loving memory of his wife Grace.

DRAVER 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* or note it on the Connection Card.

FAMILY PROMISE HOST WEEK - JANUARY 21-28

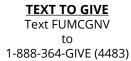
We are hosting two homeless families here at First UMC this week and there are still opportunities to volunteer. For more information, contact Kim Hasko at <code>familypromise@fumcgnv.org</code> or sign up online at <code>https://fumcgnv.org/FamilyPromise</code>.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN KICKOFF AFTER WORSHIP TODAY

We will hold a kickoff celebration after worship today for the final phase of our Capital Campaign that was started in 2006. The celebration will be held in the Fellowship Hall and children 4th grade and under will have their own special pizza party!

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