

WELCOME

Pastor Beth Snarr

PRELUDE

"Le Cygne"
Camille Saint-Saëns

Gavan Mcvey

CALL TO WORSHIP

Carol Morris

And Jesus said, "Come!"

To all mothers and all children: he said, "Come!"

To the motherless and the childless: he said, "Come!"

To all who long to be mothered: he said, "Come!"

"Come unto me all ye who labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble of heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

Thanks be to God in this time of worship and beyond.

HYMN FWS 2137

"Would I Have Answered When You Called"

¹ Would I have answered when you called, "Come, follow, follow me!" Would I at once have left behind both work and family? Or would the old, familiar round have held me by its claim and kept the spark within my heart from bursting into flame?

² Would I have followed where you led through ancient Galilee, on roads unknown, by ways untried, beyond security? Or would I soon have hurried back where home and comfort drew, where truth you taught would not disturb the ordered life I knew?

³ Would I have matched my step with yours when crowds cried "Crucify!" when on a rocky hill I saw a cross against the sky? Or would I too have slipped away and left you there alone, a dying king with crown of thorns upon a terrible throne?

⁴ O Christ, I cannot search my heart through all its tangled ways, nor can I with a certain mind my steadfastness appraise. I only pray that when you call, "Come, follow, follow me!" you'll give me strength beyond my own to follow faithfully.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe all are a part of God's family. We are special, we belong, we are not alone, we are wanted, we don't have to be afraid, we are imperfect, and we still belong.

We believe we can start over again. We are safe, there is always meaning and purpose and love for us.

We believe because God's Spirit lives in us, we belong to God, and we belong to each other. 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

"Closer"

Janet and Carl Rocap

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"

Pastor Beth Snarr

Believe God

John 10:22-30

HYMN UMH 117

"O God Our Help in Ages Past"

¹ O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!

² Under the shadow of thy throne, still may we dwell secure; sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.

³ Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame, from everlasting, thou art God, to endless years the same.

⁶ O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come; be thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.

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

"Finale Jubilante"
Brenda Portman

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 fumcgvn.org/ConnectionCard

Name(s): _____

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Prayer Requests Please share with the Prayer Team Please share only with the Pastor

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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 Betty Alsobrook in loving memory of her grandmother, Annie Cannon Pound.

We have a few openings in 2022 for donating altar flowers on June 5, June 26, July 17, October 9, October 16, and November 27. If you are interested, please contact Janet Rocap in the church office at janet@fumcgvn.org.

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@fumcgvn.org.

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