

## WELCOME

Pastor Beth Snarr

## PRELUDE

Marlene Udell

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Harold Henderson

Hope in Christ!

**Hear the word of truth, the good news of our salvation.**

Believe in Christ!

**We are sealed with the mark of the Holy Spirit.**

Live in Christ!

**We embrace our inheritance, as children of God. May our worship glorify the Christ in whom we hope, believe and live!**

## HYMN FWS 2170

“God Made from One Blood”

- <sup>1</sup> God made from one blood all the families of earth, the circles of nurture that raised us from birth, companions who join us to walk through each stage of childhood and youth and adulthood and age.
- <sup>2</sup> We turn to you, God, with our thanks and our tears for all of the families we've known through the years, the intimate networks on whom we depend of parent and partner and roommate and friend.
- <sup>3</sup> We learn through our families how closeness and trust increase when our actions are loving and just. Yet families have also distorted their roles, mistreating their members and bruising their souls.
- <sup>4</sup> Give, Lord, to each family in conflict and storm a sense of your wisdom and grace that transform sharp anger to insight which strengthens the heart and makes clear the place where rebuilding can start.
- <sup>5</sup> Then widen that wisdom and grace to include the races and viewpoints our families exclude till peace in each home bears and nurtures the bud of peace shared by all you have made from one blood.

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in God, maker of all things, provider of all things, who loves all people.**

**We follow Jesus, in whom salvation has come to us: he sees us for who we are, heals the wounds of our hearts, and makes us new. In his death and resurrection, we see the deepest truth of life.**

**We live by the power of the Holy Spirit, who empowers us for self-giving love.**

**We give thanks for the Church, the Body of Christ, and for the gift of forgiveness, the power of resurrection and the mystery of eternal life. 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

Dean Brown

## CONNECTION CARD

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Questions or Comments?

**CALL TO PRAYER** FWS 2007

"Santo, Santo Santo"

Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you! My heart knows how to say to you: You are holy, Lord!

¡Santo, santo, santo, mi corazón te adora! Mi corazón te sabe decir: ¡Santo eres, Dios!

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE****LORD'S PRAYER** UMH 895**HYMN** UMH 191

"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**

Pastor Beth Snarr

"No Longer Strangers - Siblings"

Ephesians 1:3-14

**HYMN** UMH 369

"Blessed Assurance"

<sup>1</sup> Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

*This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.*

<sup>2</sup> Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

<sup>3</sup> Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

**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 Sandy Evans and Karen Harris in loving memory of her mother, Helen Alkire.

**NEW SERMON SERIES**

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

**FAREWELL TO SUNNY**

The day we knew would come is finally here. Since graduation, Sunny has been searching for a job as an Actuary and has found a position in Tampa with Sterling International. Congratulations, Sunny! She will be moving to Tampa in August, so please take the next few weeks to show Sunny your love and appreciation for all her hard work and dedication to First UMC since 2018. Her last day with us will be "Christmas in July" on July 25th. Many blessings to Sunny as she continues her journey.

**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](mailto:prayer@fumcgnv.org).

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