

Central United Methodist Church



The First Sunday after the Epiphany

January 10, 2021

10:45 am

Our Vision:

***Making Christ known by extending hospitality,
serving the community, and embracing all.***

201 - 3rd Avenue Knoxville TN 37917

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We Gather to Praise God

Gathering Music

Prelude

Arise, Shine From: One Incredible Moment

Huntsinger

Welcome

Rev. Jimmy Sherrod

Opening Prayer

Rev. Stephanie Parrott

Call to Worship

Come, let us continue on our journey of faith. Let us bring our hopes and visions of a new possibility, for God's work of Christmas is just beginning.

We are called into a future yet unnamed. We hear the call of Jesus and venture forward, leaving behind our comforts and certainties.

As we travel in the light, in the spirit of faith and expectation, we are led by the One who brings to light God's dreams for us and for the world.

May we be witnesses to God's new tomorrow, and go with confidence, knowing that we never travel alone.

Come, now is the time to worship. **Alleluia! Amen.**

Opening Hymn

O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

arr: Miller

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemers' praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace, the triumphs of his grace!

My gracious master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name, the honors of thy name.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health and peace, 'tis life, and
health and peace.

He speaks, and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive;
the mournful broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe, the humble poor believe.

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the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

We Listen to Hear God's Voice

Scripture

Mark 3:1-6

Song

Your Grace is Enough

Maher

Great is your faithfulness, O God; You wrestle with the sinner's heart.
You lead us by still waters and to mercy; and nothing can keep us apart.

So remember your people, remember your children, remember your promise, O God.

Your grace is enough. Your grace is enough. Your grace is enough for me.

Great is your love and music, God of Jacob; You use the weak to lead the strong.
You lead us in the song of your salvation; And all your people sing along. [So remember your people...]

Prayer of Illumination

**Open our ears, O God, that we might hear your Word speaking to us in this moment.
Open our ears, O God, that we might listen for your voice calling to us through scripture.
Open our ears, O God, that we might understand your promises
to followers both old and young, ancient and modern.
Open our hearts, O God, that we might enter into the love you offer us. Amen.**

Sermon

Rev. Sherrod

We Respond to God's Great Love

Song

Agnus Dei

Smith arr: Raney/Hine

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering Our Gifts

We Are Scattered to Serve God In Our World

*Closing Hymn

Spirit of God

The Faith We Sing 2117

Spirit of God, bright Wind, breath that bids life begin,
blow as you always do; create us anew.
Give us the breath to sing, lifted on soaring wing,
held in your hands, borne on your wings.

[refrain] Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come! Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come!

Spirit of God, bright Dove, grant us your peace and love,
healing up on your wings for all living things.
For when we live your peace, captives will find release,
held in your hands, borne on your wings. [refrain]

Spirit of God, bright Flame, send us in your holy name,
the power to heal, to share you love everywhere.
We cannot fail or fall, or know defeat at all,
held in your hands, borne on your wings. [refrain]

Spirit of God in all, we gladly hear your call,
the life in our hands that sings, the power of your wings.
Born of your grace we rise, love shining in our eyes,
held in your hands, borne on your wings. [refrain]

Benediction

Postlude

Sunday, January 3, 2020

Nesta Reseigh (Thomas Reseigh's 99-year-old mother) has tested positive for COVID.

Michelle Copeland's (Tyler Lewelling's sister) pregnancy complications have resolved. The baby is expected soon.

The family of **Larry Cummings** (friend of Judy Dooley) who died January 5 after a long battle with COVID-19.

Russ Fuquay (Patty Parham's son-in-law) is home recovering from successful knee replacement surgery on December 30.

Todd Gilbert (friend of Sue Renfro) is now home recovering from pneumonia.

Hannah and Haylee Hotchkiss (premature daughters of Amy Hotchkiss, Penney Helm's cousin), born December 16, remain in the NICU at UT Medical Center. Hannah is now 2 lb 4 oz, while Haylee is 1 lb 10oz and should be off the ventilator soon.

Dr. Robert Moore is recovering from a successful procedure to deal with an aneurysm.

Gary Sherlin remains in hospice care. Please do not call or text Gary. Cards are welcome (2815 Oakleigh Township Dr, 37921), or you may check with Jack Poore.

Jamie Varnell is still home with COVID-19, but the rest of the family is better.

All those people dealing with illness or complications from COVID-19, those caring for them, and those working to provide vaccines and treatments.

Please continue to remember **Dick Bales** (friend of Carolyn Cottrell), **Clara Hagaman** (1412 Tipton Station Rd, 37920), **Sancy Hail** (7545 Thunder Ct, Powell, 37849), **Bobbie Jones** (friend of Carolyn Cottrell), **Allen Knable** (4371 Lifespring Ln, Room 303, 37918), **Barbara Marks** (1315 Snowdon Dr., 37912), **Richard Moon** (7655 April Cross, Corryton, 37721), **Doris Jean Moore** (7404 Kentfield Dr, 37919), and **Billy Varnell** (4121 Riverstone Ln, 37918).

Additions and changes to prayer list should be sent to Kathy Gant, gants@att.net, or the church office.