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"A Holy, Healthy, and Loving Community Striving to Know Christ and to Make Christ Known"

January 19, 2025 Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.



WORDS OF WELCOME

Rev. Michael Atkinson

ORGAN PRELUDE

"Pastorale" by GF Handel

Dr. Jessica Scott

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Be still for a moment. What do you hear? What do you smell? What do you feel under your feet? Beloved, God is here.

People: In the familiar and unfamiliar, God is here with us.

Leader: Take a moment to look around. Whom do you notice? Who isn't here that you expected to see? Whether this community feels brand new or familiar to you, God is here.

People: In the familiar and unfamiliar, God is here with us.

Leader: Take a deep breath. We share this air, this space, this worship home together. In our breathing and worshiping in this time and place, God is here.

People: In the familiar and unfamiliar, God is here with us.

Leader: God *is* here. May we pay attention and discern how God brings us together in the familiar and the unfamiliar to be and become the Body of Christ.

People: May we notice and join in God's work of forming us for community as we worship today. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2024.

*OPENING PRAYER

God, our God, As you were with the wedding party in Cana of Galilee, be with us here today. The wine of our lives and souls has run out. Fill this place with the presence of your Holy Spirit. Fill the water pots of our souls this day with new and fresh wine from your wine cellar. The wine of yesterday is gone; it is stale; it is old. Today, God, send your anointing power in this place and in the lives of your people that we may find strength to hold on and hold out. Help us to know that the best wine is yet to come, and we can taste and see your goodness. Show yourself to be powerful, empowering, and awesome this day and for all times to come. In the name of Jesus the Christ, we pray. Amen.

Written by Bryan K. Fleet, in The Africana Worship Book, Year C (Nashville: Discipleship Resources, 200), 124.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #332

"Spirit of Faith, Come Down"

*PASSING OF GOD'S PEACE

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

ANTHEM "In My Heart There Rings A Melody" FUMC Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim.

He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Rev. Michael Atkinson **MESSAGE** "New Wine"

(you are encouraged to use this space for notes)

ORGAN OFFERTORY

"Pastorale" by F Couperin

Dr. Scott

*DOXOLOGY

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts; Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up lifts; Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*HYMN #2237 (T.F.W.S)

"As A Fire Is Meant For Burning"

*BENEDICTION

*ORGAN POSTLUDE

"Trumpet Tune" by J Stanley

Dr. Scott

Today's Worship Participants

Liturgist: Jill Lilly

Ushers: Rick and Jane Lynn Squires

Livestream: Mathew Wray Altar: Carolyn Yost

Acolyte: Carson Wray

If you or someone you know is in the hospital, nursing home, has a need from the church, or would like a visit, Please feel free to call or send a text to Pastor Michael Atkinson at 304-771-3309



Beth Bryant-Barranco John & Charlene Cathell **Kyle Harris** Harry & Joretta Lewis **Curt Diaz**

The Children of FUMC

The Winter Shelter guests and workers.

THIS WEEK AT FUMC

- Tuesday, Jan. 21 Monastic Meal, 12:15 p.m. —Administrative Council, 6:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, Jan. 22 Connections, 5:30 p.m.
- **Thursday, Jan. 23**—Prayer Shawl group, 5-6 p.m.

Nutterfort Elementary Food Backpack Ministry

Join us TODAY after the service in the Fellowship Hall (basement level) to assemble the food bags.

Join us for CONNECTIONS January 22 at 5:30 PM

Menu: Spaghetti & Meatballs, Salad, Ice Cream "Unique As A Snowflake"

This theme will center around the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity with a winter twist that brings us together to discuss how we are unique and united.

You're Invited to Celebrate Keith & Shirley Murphy's 60th Wedding Anniversary Sunday, January 26th, in the parlor after Worship for a reception with light refreshments.

> No gifts, presence only! You can RSVP to Leanna Murphy

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