

*Your Friendly
Community Church*



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*Sixth Sunday
after the Epiphany*

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE “The Gift of Love”

WELCOME

& ANNOUNCEMENTS

Judi Rose

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Based on Psalm 1)

Leader: With joy and delight, we gather to praise our Holy God! With reverence and awe, we approach our Gracious God.

People: We give thanks that God understands us, and does not want us to be that which we were never created to become!

Leader: Creating God, you call us to worship you as your children, made in your image, with a divine spark within each of us.

People: We give thanks that God understands us, and encourages us to grow in our knowledge of God’s awesome holiness.

Leader: Glorious God, you invite us to sink our roots deep into your love and holiness and to grow stronger each day in our faith in you.

People: We give thanks that God understands us and that the fruits we bear are consistent with what God created us to become. We gather to worship and praise our supporting and caring God. Amen.

***HYMN**

UMH #154

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

God of life, in Christ you resurrect all things.

Raise us from death to life, that our transformation may bear witness to the power of your grace in our lives through Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead. Amen.

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Diane Horn

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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM **RUMC Choir**
"Raise Up the Crown"

***DOXOLOGY** **UMH #95**

***SCRIPTURE READING** **NT #165**
II Corinthians 15:12-20

SERMON "The First Fruits"

THE APOSTLES' CREED **UMH #881**

***HYMN OF INVITATION** **UMH #529**
"How Firm a Foundation"

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

The altar is open for prayer. If you would like the pastor to pray with you, please so indicate. The doors of our church are open if anyone wants to join by profession of faith or by transfer.

***BENEDICTION**

AMEN RESPONSE **UMH #898**

POSTLUDE

"Raise Up the Crown"

**Please stand as you are able.*

WELCOME GUESTS

We welcome you to our worship service this morning. If you are visiting, please complete a visitor's card located in your pew and place it in the offering plate.

Our mission project for February is to purchase Wal-Mart gift cards for the children at Epworth Children's home. If you would like to donate to this project, please see Tiffany Phillips.

Dave Petty is collecting warm clothing for the homeless. If you have extra coats, hats, gloves, etc., please bring them to the church and place in the large tote located in the hallway outside the church office.

The VITA Program (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) will provide assistance preparing income tax returns for individuals on February 19 and March 26 in the CLC from 9 am - 12 noon. If you want more information on this program, please see Bill Rose or Tiffany Phillips.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Tuesday, February 15, 6:30 pm: Leadership Team

Wednesday, 6:30 pm: Choir

Thursday, February 17, 12 noon: Trustees

Saturday, February 19, 9 am-12 pm: VITA (CLC)

You are welcomed to attend one of our Sunday school groups each Sunday Morning:

Crossroads SS Class meets via Zoom at 9 a.m.
Contact L.W. Smith for Zoom invite.

Pathfinder SS Class meets at 9:45 a.m. in the parlor in the Education Building.

HEARING INFO

If you would like to use a hearing assistance device, please see an usher for assistance.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please write your prayer requests in the book found on the podium located at the back of the sanctuary before the service begins. Pastor Meegian will receive these requests and lift them up for prayer during worship.

We are excited to have you in our worship service today. We love that the walls of our building do not limit the impact of our ministry and have a wonderful community joining us today virtually. As such, we would like to remind all in attendance that your presence in our worship service indicates your approval that you and all minors you represent being recorded for our digital usage. This includes, but is not limited to, your image, name, and involvements in today's services.