Your Friendly Community Church



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Second Sunday after the Epiphany

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE GATHER AT GOD'S INVITATION

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Felecia Boyce

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: I waited patiently for God, who turned to me and heard my cry, who lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; and set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.

People: We sing a new song! Our mouths are full of the praise of God.

Leader: Blessed are we when we make the Lord our trust; when we do not turn aside to false gods.

People: We sing of all your many wonders, O God, too many to declare them all.

Leader: Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but our ears you have pierced and a body you have prepared for us.

People: We sing, "Here I am, I have come – I desire to do your will, O my God; your law is in my heart."

*HYMN UMH #103

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy One, you sent the Lord Jesus Christ to save the world from sin. Teach us to follow him faithfully, proclaiming the good news, that all may come to know and love the Lamb of God, in whose name we pray. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Diane Horn

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Send your Spirit, O God, to search us and teach us. Help us to understand the wisdom of your way. Give us the mind of Christ – by whose gracious word we live and in whose holy name we pray. Amen.

*NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

NT #155

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

SERMON

Rev. Meegian Gossard

"Not Lacking"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UMH #881

The Apostles' Creed

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

Lady Imperio

"Miracles"

*DOXOLOGY

UMH #95

WE GO WITH GOD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN

UMH #573

"O Zion, Haste"

*BENEDICTION

*AMEN RESPONSE

"Let the Church Say Amen"

Let the church say amen, let the church say amen. God has spoken, so let the church say amen.

*POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

Apportionments final update: We were able to pay 31% of our 2022 apportionments. Thanks to everyone for your generosity.

For YouTube online services, you may now go to our website (www.rumcsc.com) and chick on the new YouTube button.

^{*}Please stand as you are able.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday, January 16

MLK, Jr. Birthday

Church office closed

Tuesday, January 17

6:15 Leadership Team - Parlor

Wednesday, January 18

10:30 Pastor's Bible Study - Crossroads Classroom

5:45 Choir Practice - Choir Room

SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

You are welcomed to attend one of our Sunday School classes:

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

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

HEARING DEVICES

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.

2023 FINANCES

2023 Budget = \$229,008.00 Need to Receive Weekly = \$4,404.00 Received for General Budget on 01/08/23 = \$2,556.00 Received Year-To-Date (2023) = \$5,343.00

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.