

January 17, 2021

Prelude

*Introit

“Seek Ye First”.....v 1- 2 UMH 405

Welcome and Announcements

*Gathering Hymn

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” v 1- 4..... UMH 89

*The Call to Worship

L: God calls by name, and we answer, “Here I am!”

P: God call us by name , and we say, “Speak, for you servant is listening.”

L: Let us worship the God who claims us, loves us and call us His own.

P: The God who sends us forth as children of blessing and promise.

*Opening Prayer*Together as the Body of Christ*

Gracious God, you invite us to follow you and to love you. You call us to love our neighbors and our enemies when we have trouble loving ourselves. Lord teach us to love you with all our heart, with all our mind, with all our strength that we may love those around us as well. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Gloria Patri: Glory Be to the Father..... 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.

A-men, A-men.

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

The Lord’s Prayer..... UMH 895

*Tithes, Gifts, and Offerings

“Doxology” UMH p. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men.

Children’s Sermon*Heifer Quarters* Vera Latcham

* *Please stand if you are able.*

Bold type invites congregational participation.

*The Reading and Hearing of the Holy Scripture

I Cor 13:1-13 (ESV)Debbie Iverson

¹ If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ² And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³ If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing. ⁴ Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant ⁵ or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful, ⁶ it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸ Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰ but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. ¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. ¹² For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³ So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

L: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

P: Thanks be to God!

This Morning’s Message

The Greatest of These Is Love Pastor Jim

*Communion

“Come to the Table” Choir

*Closing Hymn

“Shalom to You” × 2 .. UMH 666

*Benediction

*Postlude

Today’s Volunteers Thanks!

COMMUNION STEWARD Patti Collins

LITURGIST Debbie Iverson

GREETERS/USHERS Roger & Kathy Cox

CHILDREN’S SERMON.....*Heifer Quarters*..... Vera Latcham

ACOLYTES. Vivian Cook & Sophia Semprini

AUDIO Jeremy Miller

VIDEO..... Dennis Latcham

FELLOWSHIP Ron & Nancy Urfer/Roger & Kathy Cox

MUSIC Carol Behounek

Looking Ahead

Sunday, January 17, 5:00 p.m..... Teen Christian Education
Wednesday, January 20, 6:00 p.m.Committee meetings
Wednesday, January 20, 6:30 p.m.....Administrative Council meeting
Thursday, January 21, 6:30 p.m.Choir practice
Sunday, January 24, 9:15 a.m.Adult & Youth Christian Education
Sunday, January 24, 10:30 a.m. Wordship service
Sunday, January 24, 5:00 p.m..... Teen Christian Education

Next Week's Volunteers, January 24, 2021

LITURGIST..... Roger Cox
GREETERS/USHERS..... Myron & Sarah Byers
CHILDREN'S SERMON..... Roger Cox
ACOLYTES.Olivia Burnett & Grace Burnett
AUDIO Broox Stockman
VIDEO..... Don Henry
FELLOWSHIP Mark & Robin Bolen/Doug & Mindy Johnston
MUSIC..... Carol Behounek

Prayer Concerns (* new information)

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| 1. Bea Hensel | 15. Lois Evans |
| 2. Bill Douglass | 16. Mobley family |
| 3. Bob Nelson | 17. Rebekkah Shrimplin |
| 4. Bonnie Schlesselman | 18. Rick Linn |
| 5. Carol Hall | 19. * Stacy Helm |
| 6. Carol Helm | 20. Tom Sheets |
| 7. Dale Watts | 21. Our first responders |
| 8. Denny Johnston | 22. Our health care workers |
| 9. Dixie Markun | 23. Our U.S. Armed Forces |
| 10. Doris Kadel | 24. Our church |
| 11. Ellen Merck | 25. Our elected leadership |
| 12. * Francis Carl family | 26. The great state of Iowa |
| 13. * Joetta Bates | 27. The United States of America |
| 14. John Kercheval | |

*In Our Thoughts
& Prayers*



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*Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the World
starting in Montezuma, Iowa*