

January 29, 2023

(**Indicates, please stand as able)

Prelude Handbell Choir
"How Far Is It" Anna Laura Page

Greeting/Life of the Church Pastor Andy Wagner

**Call to Worship

L: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

P: Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

L: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

P: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

L: We begin in the name of the Lord who made us.

A: Let us sing and worship together as we praise God's holy name.

**Opening Hymn "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" UMH#89

Opening Prayer (unison)

Be gracious to us today our Lord, for we are in need of your mercy. We are often quick to doubt and slow to pray. We are tempted to let go of faith when we need to hang on. We are discouraged by wrong when we need to be encouraged by your Spirit. O God, we are thankful for the strength you give us to trust in you all the days of our lives. Amen.

Children's Moments

Prayer Hymn "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" UMH#140

Prayers of the Faithful & 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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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.

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Brethren, We have met to Worship" John Carter

**Doxology UMH #95

**Prayer of Dedication

Lord Jesus, with gratitude for our belonging to your community of love, we bring these gifts and dedicate ourselves to your mission. Use them according to your will and wisdom, we pray. Amen.

Scripture Lesson 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18; 2: 1-2

L: The Word of God for the People of God.

P: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Ministry of Music Handbell Choir
"Chatter with the Angels" Spiritual

Sermon "Nothing But Christ" Pastor Andy Wagner

**Closing Hymn "How Great Thou Art" UMH #77

**Sending Forth

**Congregational Benediction
"God Be with You till We Meet Again" (v. 1-2) UMH #672

Postlude "Jesus Shall Reign" John Innes



The Altar Flowers are given in honor of Pastor Andy and his ministry to the Faith Community Congregation.

Scripture Lesson

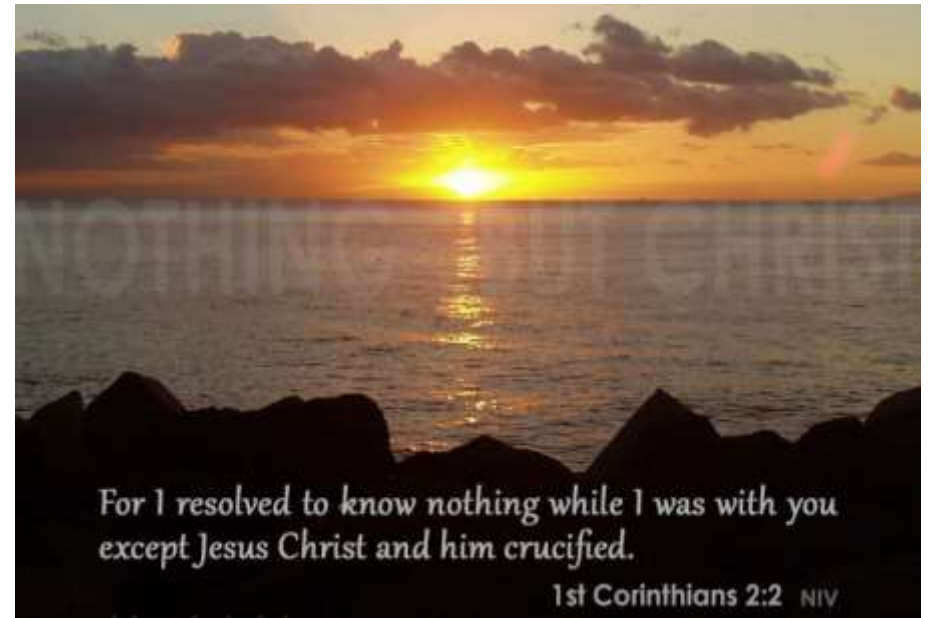
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¹⁰ I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. ¹¹ For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. ¹² What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." ¹³ Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴ I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵ so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶ (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷ For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. ¹⁸ For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

² And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. ² For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.

WELCOME VISITORS!

If you are visiting with us today, please take a moment to sign our attendance register located in each pew. We welcome you and hope you will come back and worship with us again soon.



Rev. Andy Wagner

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We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation

January 29, 2023 – Worship Team

Ushers	Mike Tittle, Will Mossing, Chad Mossing, Bob Whipp
Greeters	Pam Whipp
Acolytes	Evelyn Mahan, Catherine Mossing
Liturgist	Chad Mossing
Guest Organist	Jim McPeek
Choir Director	Glen Shaw
Bells Director	Jim McPeek



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Saturday 4			
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Matthew 5: 13-20

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FCUM COLLEGE CREW: Would you like to be involved helping to support the college students of our church? You can either make a monetary donation to cover the cost of purchasing 2 boxes of Girl Scout cookies for each of our college students or send them a Thinking of You card. I will have cards and addressed and stamped envelopes available during the Sunday's in February. See me and we can all work together to make sure our college crew knows that we are thinking of them. Julie Wickline (937) 207-8289.

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