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Prelude
Welcome

***Call To Worship:** **Judy Cordes**
 God built the heavens, the earth, and everything in them
God calls us to be builders as well.
 God calls us to build our lives:
to restore broken places and continue to grow.
 God calls us to build our faith:
to study the Word and ponder its interpretation.
 God calls us to build our community:
to build bridges of understanding and systems of justice.
 God calls us to build history by fulfilling the promises
 of Scripture:
to preach the good news of God's love and liberation for all people.

***Song of Praise:** **“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”** **UMH #154**

<p>1 All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all. Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.</p>	<p>2. Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all. Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.</p>
<p>3. Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall, go spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all. Go spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.</p>	

Acolytes bring in the light of Christ acknowledging the Presence of God.

Centering Prayer Song: **“I’m Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing”** **UMH#333**

<p>1. I'm goin'-a sing when the Spirit says sing, I'm goin'-a sing when the Spirit says sing, I'm goin'-a sing when the Spirit says sing, and obey the Spirit of the Lord.</p>	<p>2. I'm goin'-a pray when the Spirit says pray, I'm goin'-a pray when the Spirit says pray, I'm goin'-a pray when the Spirit says pray, and obey the Spirit of the Lord.</p>
<p>4. I'm goin'-a shout when the Spirit says shout, I'm goin'-a shout when the Spirit says shout, I'm goin'-a shout when the Spirit says shout, and obey the Spirit of the Lord.</p>	<p>3 O the pure delight of a single hour that before thy throne I spend, when I kneel in prayer, and with thee, my God, I commune as friend with friend!(Refrain)</p>

Confession:

God of our Restoration, whenever we come home to you, we realize how far we have strayed and how much we have forgotten of your law and your love. We have not loved you with our whole hearts or loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us, heal us, and restore us to our relationship with you; through Jesus Christ, in whom we trust. Amen.

All pray in silence

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

God’s word does not come to condemn us, but to make us wise, reviving our souls and rejoicing our hearts. God’s Word has been fulfilled among us in Jesus Christ, who sets us free to live in accord with God’s own jubilee.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

YOUNG DISCIPLES TIME

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

Judy Cordes

Just as we see your wisdom and glory in nature around us, God, may we hear your Word for us in the words of these readings, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may be drawn closer to you. Through your great preacher, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

1 Corinthians 12:1-11 Spiritual Gifts

Judy Cordes

12 Now concerning spiritual gifts,[a] brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be ignorant. 2 You know that when you were gentiles you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. 3 Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says “Let Jesus be cursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. 4 Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, 5 and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, 6 and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. 7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 8 To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 10 to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

***Song of Preparation: “They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love” FWS #2223**

<p>1. We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:</p>	<p>Refrain: And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.</p>
<p>2. We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, and together we’ll spread the news that God is in our land:</p>	<p>3. We will work with each other, we will work side by side, we will work with each other, we will work side by side, and we’ll guard human dignity and save human pride:</p>

4. All praise to the Father, from whom all things come, and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son, and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:

John 2: 1-11 The Wedding at Cana

2 On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. 2 Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. 3 When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." 4 And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to me and to you?[a] My hour has not yet come." 5 His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." 6 Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. 7 Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8 He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the person in charge of the banquet." So they took it. 9 When the person in charge tasted the water that had become wine and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), that person called the bridegroom 10 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." 11 Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee and revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

SERMON: "Called to Delight" Rev. Laura Hewett Becker

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

***SONG OF THANKS: #95 Doxology**

OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW AND SERVE

***Song of Commitment: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" UMH #103**

<p>1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.</p>	<p>2 Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.</p>
<p>3. To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.</p>	<p>4. Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light; thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all laud we would render: O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.</p>

Blessing/Benediction

UMH=United Methodist Hymnal; FWS=The Faith We Sing



Please pray for our members and loved ones who are homebound or residing in nursing homes. Also, please pray for:

The Families of..... Allen Alschwede, Rocco Torres, Ken Burows, Jim Witcher, Carl Kuhlmann, Nancy Kramer, Mona "Chic" Jordan, Everett Andrews, Jimmie Jordan, Paul Lehmborg.

..and for the following individuals: Alice brown, Joan Whitaker, Donna Ziriach, Heather (Jenny Tucker's Daughter cancer), Shirley Beth Lyles (is in the hospital in San Angelo) Dave Benefield, Rita Frey,

Mike Cave, Bridget Klein, Kelly McEachern, Christy McMillan, Lauren Hoerster, Carl Langley, Braden Kangos (5 yr old with Leukemia), Kathy McKeown, Anne Chappell, Connor Reardon, Doris Grote, Lorine Metz, Kathy & Ted Kerr, Loy Williams, Terry Lange, the church, and all those effected by war and those affected by hurricane Helene.

Please pray for our members and loved ones who are in the military. U.S. Army: Joseph Alba, T.J. Schovajsa, Britney Schovajsa and Kalyn Bauer **USAF:** Matt Adam **US Navy:** Ferd T. Slocum III & Truman Coe

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Giving and Attendance	
LAST WEEK'S GIVING.....	\$4,132.00
JAN. MTD GIVING.....	\$12,095.95
JAN. BUDGET NEED.....	\$31424.58
LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE.....	56

Steady Steps will be using the Social Hall this week from 9-11:00 Am and from 2-4 PM so the kids can have room to play since it will be so cold outside this week.

Upcoming Events



**Sunday, Jan.26-2:00 PM
in the FUMC Sanctuary**

This week's Calendar

Sunday, January 19th

9:45 Sunday School for all ages

11:00 AM Worship Service

Monday, January 20th

Birthdays: Nonie Stringer

9:30 AM Prayer Shawl (GR)

10:30 PM Staff Meeting (GR)

Tuesday, January 21st

Birthdays: Carmen Bauer

9:30 AM Steady Steps Chapel

Wednesday, January 22nd

Thursday, January 23rd

Birthdays: Drew Tallent, Jim Heath

Friday, January 24th

Birthdays: Jess Irwin

Saturday, January 26th

Sunday, January 27th

Birthdays: Bobbie Baze

9:45 Sunday School for all ages

11:00 AM Worship Service

2:00 PM Piatigorsky Concert