

Worship Bulletin
Sunday, February 8, 2026

INVITATION TO WORSHIP - Rev. Steph Heilakka

PIANO PRELUDE - Jodi Bohr

"I couldn't hear nobody pray" Spiritual, arranged by David Lantz, III

CALL TO WORSHIP: Faye Ross

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord. We are his sheep and the flock that He shepherds.

All: Allelu. Allelu. Alleluia.

Leader: Our Lord has promised us that wherever two or more are gathered, our Lord will be present. We have gathered. Our Lord is here.

All: Allelu. Allelu. Alleluia.

Leader: Come and open your heart, your mind, your body and your soul to the everlasting promises.

OPENING HYMN - UMH 133

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

PASSING THE PEACE - Faye Ross

As we move into worship together, We at FUMCOG want to you to know

No matter where you've come from or are going;

- No matter what you believe or doubt;

- No matter what you are feeling or just not feeling;

- No matter what you have or don't have; and

- And no matter whom you love

All of who you are is welcomed

- into this community of faith

- by a God who knows you by name,

loves you and wants to connect with you..

Thanks be to God. Amen!

STORIES THAT WE SHARE - Kyra & Dale

"The Pool of Siloam"

SUNG RESPONSE - UMH 377

"It Is Well with My Soul" verse 1

CONTEMPORARY READING - Faye Ross

Excerpt from "Markings" by Dag Hammerskjöd

In the faith which is "God's marriage to the soul," you are in God, and

God is wholly in you, just as, for you, He is wholly in all you meet.

With this faith, in prayer you descend into yourself to meet the OTHER,

in the steadfastness and light of this union,

see that all things stand, like yourself, alone before God,

and that each of your acts is an act of creation, consciousness, because

you are a human being with human responsibility, but governed

nevertheless, by the power beyond human beyond human consciousness which created man.

You are liberated from things, but you encounter in them an experience which has the purity and clarity of revelation.

In the faith which is "God's marriage to the soul " everything therefore has a meaning.

So live, then, that you may use what have been put into your hand....

Dag Hammerskjöd secretary general of the United Nations died in Northern Rhodesia on September 18, 1961 in an airplane crash while trying to negotiate a cease-fire between United Nations and Katanga forces.

SCRIPTURE READING - Faye Ross

John 4: 43-54

When the two days were over he set out for Galilee; for Jesus himself declared that a prophet is without honor in his own country. On his arrival in Galilee The Galileans gave him a welcome, because they had seen all the he did at the festival in Jerusalem; they had been at the festival themselves.

Once again he visited Cana-in Galilee, where he had turned the water into wine. An officer in the royal service was there, whose son was lying ill in Capernaum. When he heard that Jesus had come from Judaea into Galilee, he came to him and begging him to go down and cure his son who was at the point of death. Jesus said to him, "Will none of you ever believe without seeing signs and portents?" The officer pleaded with him, "Sir, come down before my boy dies. Then Jesus said, "Return home; your son will live." The man believed what Jesus said and started for him. When he was on his way down his servants met him with the news, "your boy is going to live. So he asked them, "What time it was when he began to recover?" They said, "Yesterday, at one in the afternoon the fever left him." The father noted that this was the exact time when Jesus said to him, "Your son will live," and he and all his household became Believers.

This was now the second sign which Jesus performed coming down from Judea into Galilee.

HYMN of PREPARATION - UMH 500

"Spirit of God, Descend upon my Heart" verses 1, 2, 4

SERMON - Rev. Steph Heilakka

"A Tapestry of Healing"

GATHERED PRAYER - David G. Miller

LORD'S PRAYER - ON SCREEN

CONNECTIONS and ANNOUNCEMENTS - Rev. Steph Heilakka**OFFERTORY ANTHEM - FUMCOG CHOIR**

"Stop By Lord" by Doris Wesley Bettis

OFFERING PRAYER - RAY TORRES

Gracious God, we offer these gifts and ask you to help us do our best to love not just in words but in deeds. May our faith be made real through justice, mercy, and care for those in need. Use what we give to help other people at all times, and shape us into a people who walk what we believe. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN - UMH 375

"There Is A Balm In Gilead"

BENEDICTION - Rev. Steph Heilakka**POSTLUDE - Jodi Bohr**

"Gigue" by Douglas Wagner