

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We need your help cleaning up the Sanctuary, Fellowship hall, and Kitchen on Saturday March 23rd at 10am. Volunteer for one room now. We need YOU!

Lenten Recharge Join us on Wednesdays during the Lent season for worship. **Dinner will be served at 6pm.** Service will start at 6:30pm. \$5 Donation for dinner encouraged. College Students \$1.

Men's Study Group: Men's study group will be meeting on Wednesdays at 1p. Please see Rev. Wesley for details.

District Breakthrough Prayer Meeting: Zoom prayer meetings will be held on Wednesdays at Noon. Meeting ID: 819 2328 6708 Passcode: 015653
Fridays at 10:30am in-person with Ms. Kofa Chea

Upcoming Events:

March 17th: Charge Conference vote directly after service. Members please remain after service.

March 31st: Easter Service. Bring a guest to church

Every 4th Thursday: Under 40 will meet for fellowship.

April 20th: 4th Annual CTF Teen Talk Clubhouse Workshop from 12pm-4pm. Join us for fun and creative learning activities for ages 12-16. Lunch is included. **Register now at Eventbrite:** <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/4th-annual-ctf-teen-talk-workshop-tickets-855425579937?aff=ebdshpsearchautocomplete>

Other Ways To Give:

PayPal- donations@fumc-jax.org ; **Zelle-** office@fumc-jax.org;

CashApp- \$FUMCJAX

CONGRATULATIONS!

Many heartfelt congratulations to those who celebrate birthdays and special anniversaries in the month of March
May God bless you richly!

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Order of Worship

Sunday, March 17, 2024

*=Those who are able, please stand

Rev. Tiffany McCall, Pastor

Bro. Alfred Nimely, Lay Leader

Lisa Cogdell & Doug Tillett, Liturgists

Aaron Thorla, Pianist

We Gather For Worship

Praise

Graves In The Garden

Pianist

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Gracious God, enliven us with the courage to follow your leading, break through our blindness, and open our eyes to see your vision and doors to resources we cannot see to fulfill your mission in this community. One breath from you and we are rescued from the arid valley of dry bones, given muscles and sinews and joy with which to praise you, and filled with the holy hope you grant to all your faithful children. Let our whole lives be filled with the life-breath of the Spirit, that what has lain dormant may burst into bloom, and what looks to us to be death may be revealed as but sleep before the emergence of new life. Amen.

Call To Worship

L: The prophet asks: Can our soul-weary bones live again?

P: O God, you know!

L: We ask: Can we dance again after mourning, loss and grief?

P: O God, you know!

L: The gift is sure and unmistakable:

P: God's breath poured out as new life for weary souls!

L: Let us celebrate the gift of God's new life,

P: And come to worship God in laughter and dancing!

Morning Hymn

My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less UMH #368

*** Lighting the Candles**

Acolytes

*** Let us Affirm Our Church's Mission and Vision**

To be Loved Period, Love God, Love Neighbor, Love Self!

We believe in teaching gospel truths; We believe God is with us and we are the living body of Christ. We are the hands, feet, and heartbeat of God. We believe the Spirit of God calls us to freedom, and we are not free until all of us are free.

Glory Be to the Father

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A Service of Giving

Offering Prayer

(Tithes, Mission, and Public Offerings)

Rev. Tiffany McCall

Thank You, Lord

We Listen To The Word

The Reading of God's Word

John 11:1-20

Song of Preparation

Moving Forward

Sermon

Our Greatest Hope

Rev. Tiffany McCall

We Respond In Faith/Reaffirmation of Faith

Song of Commitment

Way Maker

We Depart To Serve

***Closing Song**

He's Able

***Extinguishing the Candles**

Acolytes

Congregational Response

Pastor and Congregation

We have come to worship **because we have a heart for God**. We leave to go into the world to comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable, **because we have a heart for humanity**. On mission for God: **Let's do it!**

***Benediction**

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.

*** Postlude**

Pianist