Prayer Concerns

First Responders	Carole B.'s nied
Those affected by gun violence	
, 0	Nancy D.
Those suffering from mental	Lois D.
Illness, addiction & homelessness	Anita B.
Bunny, Liz Lavelle's cousin	Ray S.
Curtis, lifted by Reba Y.	Judy, lifted by I
Doug, friend of Joel & Deb C.	Marianne, lifte
Bill & Marilyn R.	Jane P.
Tammy M.'s Dad's recovery	Keith A.
Vicki and her family, daughter of	Judy L.
Rae and Walt S.	Selene, lifted b
Harry W., son of Harry W.	David and Stev
Dan G., lifted by Barb & Ron C.	Mary Ellen M
Matt, lifted by Janis J.	Terry, Kathy, a
Joan H.	Paul & Claudi
Jeff S., nephew of Jan & Bill C.	Barbara B.
Cindy, Reba Y.'s sister-in-law	David N., JoAnr
Jewel Y., lifted by the Wolters	Joy and Rocky,
Betty, Paul T.'s aunt	Claudia T.
John, Paul T.'s 2 nd cousin	Ron W.
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ce's family Brenda F. ed by Janis J. by Carole A. ve, lifted by Λ. and Deb, lifted by lia T. ne's husband lifted by Paul & Wayne K., lifted by Liz L.

This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries

1/15 Barbara Linton	1/18 Nancy Kinzy
1/16 John Doerner	1/19 Christine Mincik
1/16 Clara Mae Brown	1/20 Joel Chermonte

Today's Worship Leaders

Preacher: Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm Organist: Javier Gonzalez Choir Director: Gabriela Martinez Liturgist: John Vas Greeters: Jean Scothon, Greg Lavelle Usher: Judi Wagner Audio Video Elements: John and Michelle Wolter, Phil Wolter



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Feeding the Community – Body, Mind, and Spirit

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2nd Sunday after the Epiphany/Human Relations Day January 14, 2024 10:30 am

Welcome and Passing of the Peace

L: The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **P: And also with you.**

Celebration of Ministries and Missions

Prelude	Improvisation on "Bunessan"	David Lasky		
* <i>Call to Worship</i> (1 Samuel 3, John 1) John Vas L: God, you call each of us to serve you, and we answer, P: "Here I am!"				
L: Jesus, you call each of us to follow you, and we answer, P: "Here I am!"				
L: Holy Spirit, you call each of us to worship you this day, and we answer, P: "Here I am!"				

*Unison Prayer (in honor of Humans Relations Day of The UMC) Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on us. As we gather in this place, allow your Spirit to fill our very being. As we worship today, we remember our brothers and sisters who are worshiping elsewhere throughout the world. Inspire each of us to work more faithfully for justice and dignity of life everywhere. Raise our vision above the barriers of color, culture, and creed that separate us. Give us wisdom as we deal with one another. Help us to recognize and to respect different ways, rather than to judge. In the Spirit of Jesus who came not to be served, but to serve, we now must walk in the world. We must reach out our hands with help and open our hearts in love. Awake in us the desire to seek your way of serving you in the world. Amen.

*Old Testament Reading 1 Samuel 3:1-10

*Hymn Spirit of the Living God (sing twice) UMH 393

Prayers of the People

Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Unison Prayer of Confession (Psalm 139)

Awesome God, you have made all of creation and each cell of our bodies. You know our thoughts and you know our sins. We desperately try to hide our mistakes, our weaknesses, our embarrassments. But you know it all, and so we come before you now asking for your forgiveness. Even as you know the limits of our human capabilities, we know the unlimited power of your love. Forgive us, cleanse us, make us whole.

(Nancy R. McMaster, U.S.A., 20 th Cent., Alt.)

Words of Assurance (Psalm 139, 1 Corinthians 6) The God who has made us will never desert us. The God of creation is creating still, making us new. The God whose love gave us the gift of Jesus Christ is the same God whose love forgives and sustains us.

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Choir Anthem The King of Love My Shepherd Is John Ness Beck

Offertory *Doxology *Prayer for the Offe	Allemande 'The Prince' ering	Anonymous UMH 94
Gospel Reading	John 1:43-51	
Hymn	I Am Thine, O Lord	UMH 419

Sermon	"Your Servant is Listening"	Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm
*Hymn	Here I Am, Lord	UMH 593

*Responsive Benediction

L: Beloved disciples, go from this place ready to listen for God's voice and to follow the Spirit's lead—

P: as we answer the call to build God's beloved community of justice, peace, and flourishing for all in our homes, our neighborhoods, and our world.

All: Amen.

(Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2023)

Postlude

Passacaglia

G. F. Handel

arr. Juliano Music

(You are invited to be seated for the Postlude before exiting the Sanctuary.)

*Please stand if you are able.