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## Third Sunday After the Epiphany

# PRELUDE

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Laura Steele

## SCRIPTURE READING:

Darren Halverson

### **Old Testament: Psalm 40:1-11 (NRSV)**

I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry. He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure. He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and put their trust in the Lord. Happy are those who make the Lord their trust who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods. You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you. Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted. Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear. Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required. Then I said, "Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me. I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart. "I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O Lord. I have not hidden your saving help within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation. Do not, O Lord, withhold your mercy from me; let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever.

### **New Testament: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (NRSV)**

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION**    *The Summons*    TFWS#2130

**SERMON:**            *Sinners and Saints?*            Rev. Laura Steele

**OFFERING**

**MUSIC FOR MEDITATION:**

*Variations on "A Firm Foundation"* William Teubner, Trumpet

**\*DOXOLOGY** (*please rise as you are able*)

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*            UMH #94

**\*CLOSING HYMN:**        *Here I Am, Lord*            UMH#593

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**            *Recessional in G Major*

*\* Please rise in body or spirit as you are able  
Please join us after service for refreshments in the Social Hall.*

### **In Our Thoughts and Prayers**

Carmel Christenson, John Jennings, Chris Zotti and son Jack.  
Gun violence in America, The Weaver Family, Rikki, Bob Reed,  
Christina, Family of Marlene Frere, Dottie Zottie, Warren Pierce,  
Jamie Noonan, K.S., Norma, The Miles Family, Bertha, Mervin  
The Boggan Family, Jerry Gaston, the people of Ukraine, family of  
Clyde Branson, Helga Ruttkamp, D, Gregory Carter, Kathy  
Whipps, Walter, Doug, Jonathan, those struggling with mental  
health, Christine Zotti, Betty, Madi, Mrs. Judith Ventura, Christina  
Teubner Donett, Family of Brook Lewis. Mary Ellen DeJohn's  
brother Mike. Andy Menandez struggling with cancer.

## **This Week's Schedule**

### **Sunday, January 22:**

9:30am-10:00am Instrumentals (Sanctuary)  
10:00am-10:30am Vocal Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
10:30am-11:30am In-person/online Worship (Sanctuary)  
11:30am-12:30am Coffee Hour (Social Hall)  
5:00pm-6:30pm Johanna/Pickle Ball (Social Hall)  
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

### **Monday, January 23:**

7:00pm-9:00pm Contemporary Worship Rehearsal (Social Hall)  
7:30pm-8:30pm Administrative Council Meeting (Sanctuary)  
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)  
7:45pm-9:30pm Gamblers Anonymous (Fellowship Room and Chapel)

### **Tuesday, January 24:**

9:30am-10:30am Baby Bandstand (Social Hall)  
1:00pm-9:30pm Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio)  
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

### **Wednesday January 25:**

9:00am-12:00pm Music Together (Social Hall)  
1:00pm-9:30pm Debbie' Dance (Dance Studio)  
7:15pm-9:15pm Toastmasters (Social Hall)  
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

### **Thursday, January 26:**

3:30pm-9:00pm Debbi's 'Dance (Dance Studio)

### **Friday, January 27:**

9:00am-12:00pm Music Together (Social Hall)  
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

### **Saturday, January 28:**

8:00am-3:30pm Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio)  
9:00am-12:00pm Music Together (Social Hall)  
11:30am-12:00pm Wesley Choir  
12:00pm-12:30pm Chancel Choir  
2:00pm-8:30pm EMC Shalom (Fellowship Room)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Education Programming Begins Sunday, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>, 9:30AM

The Christian Drama Club & Children's Sunday School will resume regular programming on Sunday, January 29th. Christian Drama Club meets at 9:30AM in the Green Room (second floor Education building). Sunday School meets during Sunday morning worship.



### Volunteers Needed!

Children's Sunday School & Christian Drama Club need YOUR help! If you are a parent or a volunteer who enjoys working with children, please consider signing up to join our growing class of young disciples. We would love for our parents and volunteers to commit two Sundays

this Spring season. Please see CYF Minister Natalie Palacio for more information. Or email: [CYFMinister@umcsummit.org](mailto:CYFMinister@umcsummit.org)



### NEW! Contemporary Worship Service

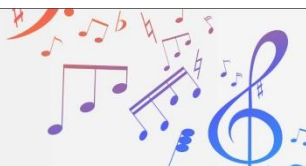
"Waves of Grace"

Thursday, 2/2, 7PM

Join us for our new, contemporary worship service the first Thursdays of the month.



## MUSIC MINISTRY



Our choir and ensembles will resume on:

**Saturday Jan 28th**

11:30am Wesley Choir

12:00pm Chancel Choir

**Sunday Jan 29th**

9:30am Chancel Choir

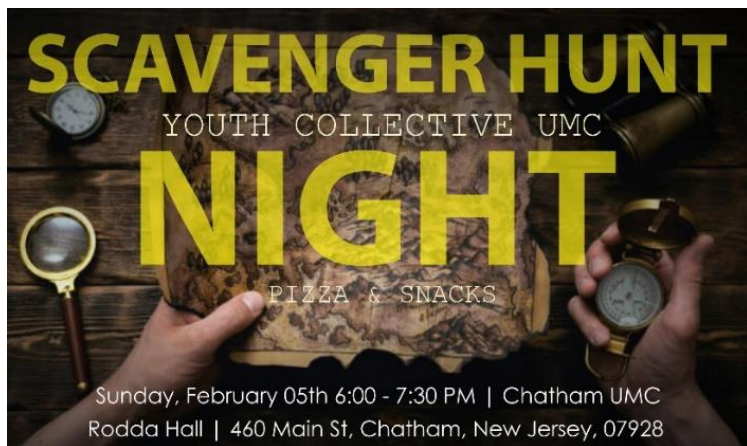
11:30am Bell Choir

12:00pm Singing Believers

12:20pm Contemporary Ensembles

For more information please contact Director of Music JoAnne Teubner Prussak at 908-277-1700 or [office@umcsummit.org](mailto:office@umcsummit.org)

Childcare will be available from 9:30-12:30 Sunday mornings.



**YOUTH GROUP Kick-Off**

**Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> 6PM-7:30PM**

Join our Meadowlands Youth Collective as we kick-off 2023 with a Scavenger Hunt Night at Chatham UMC! All youth middle-school through high-school are welcome to attend! As a reminder, Confirmation Class meets at 5PM at Summit UMC and leaders will drive any Confirmation Class participants to Chatham UMC.

