

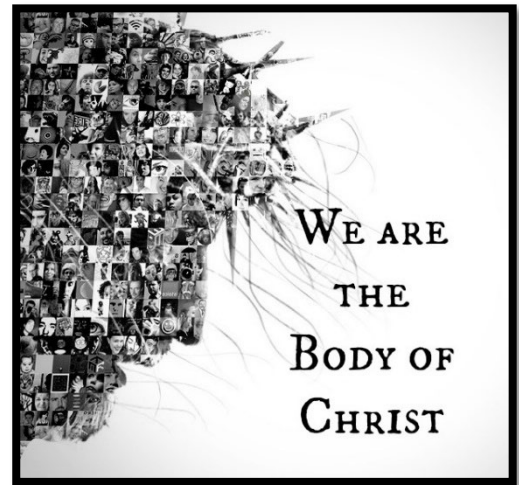
Community of Faith United Methodist Church

January 23, 2022

10:30 Worship

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Worship Guide



THOUGHT FOR THE MORNING

"For in the one Spirit we are all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit." -- 1 Corinthians 12:13 (NRSV)

It is important to remember the real purpose of communities of faith. It is not to teach the world what to think or even how to act—religious organizations can be as wrong about that as any other organization—but rather to perform the central task of the people of God. God created God's beloved covenant community to persist stubbornly over time for one purpose: to give thanks. We are called to give thanks continually, to remind ourselves, and to tell the world, that God is at work, saving, restoring not just us, but the whole world that God created in love.

Barbara G. Wheeler, President
Auburn Theological Seminary

WELCOME

PRELUDE

OPENING PRAYER

Spirit of the living God, we praise and adore you for empowering us to claim membership of the body of Christ, a gift received through the fullness of your grace. Empower us anew, we pray, with tongues of fire and hearts of love to proclaim the reconciling word among people. Remind us that we are all members of the one body and if one member suffers, we all suffer. May we, as the body of Christ in this place, be the best evidence of your love by declaring and witnessing to this as the year of the Lord's favor for all people. We give thanks that all of us are Christ's body, and rejoice in each one being a part of it. Accept our adoration and praise for these great gifts, we pray, in Jesus' name. Amen.

*HYMN	<i>One Bread, One Body</i>	UMH #620
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	<i>The Apostles Creed</i>	UMH #881
*GLORIA PATRI		
ANTHEM	<i>Praise Canon</i> Sanctuary Choir	Michael Sharp

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. ¹⁴Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,"

that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many members, yet one body. ²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." ²²On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; ²⁴whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, ²⁵that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

²⁷Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

WITNESS TO THE WORD

Your Mission: Help Your Eulogist

Dr. Larry Buxton

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE PRAYER OF JESUS

*HYMN

In Christ there is no East or West

UMH #548

*BLESSING & DISMISSAL

Go Now in Peace

UMH #665

*Go now in peace, go now in peace,
may the love of God surround you,
everywhere, everywhere you.*



**Due to CoVid health precautions, there are several changes in our usual order of service. There is less liturgy and music, and the entire service is planned to be briefer, providing a shorter amount of time inside. As conditions change, so will our protocols. Thank you for your patience and gentleness with one another as we seek to find safer ways to be together.*

Announcements

We welcome the Reverend Dr. Larry Buxton, as our guest preacher this day. Larry returns to our pulpit for today and last Sunday. A retired elder in the Virginia Conference, Larry last served at Burke United Methodist Church. Larry and his family make their home in Ashburn.

United Methodist Day at the General Assembly 2022 January 27

In the Virginia Conference we have been change makers in our great Commonwealth for 30 years. While we were excited to be back in person in Richmond for United Methodist Day at the General Assembly on January 27, 2022, we recognize the necessity of meeting again virtually. We will still arrange visits with our Delegates and Senators to discuss issues that are relevant to our faith with direction from our friends and partners at Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy (VICPP). One of the ways we put our faith in action is by advocating for the least, the last, and the lost at the General Assembly and this year we will spend time reflecting and celebrating all the ways our advocacy has changed the political landscape in our Commonwealth for the better. We hope that you will come and join us virtually in Richmond as we continue our legacy as change makers here in our Commonwealth. To register go to or click <https://vaumc.org/umday/>.



Financial Contributions

Offerings may be made online at the church website www.cofumc.org, by texting to 73256 and in the message, enter COFUMC, or checks can be mailed to 13224 Franklin Farm Road, Herndon, VA 20171.

Adult Church School will meet today over Zoom. To participate just [click here](#).

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Acknowledgements: Opening Prayer is written by Moira Laidlaw, and posted on Liturgies Online, www.liturgiesonline.com.au

What's Happening this Week

MONDAY & TUESDAY MORNINGS – Food Distribution Prep @11AM

MONDAY-FRIDAY (January 24-28) Oak Hill Preschool

TUESDAY (January 25) Food Distribution 4:30-6:00PM

TUESDAY (January 25) Vespers with Pastor Rob

WEDNESDAY (January 25) Boy Scouts 7PM

SATURDAY (January 29) Called Virginia Annual Conference 9:30AM

SUNDAY (January 30) Court of Honor 4PM

SUNDAY (February 6) UMM Breakfast 7AM

Prayers

The blessings of a new year

Paige Warmbrunn De Cruz, Gail Harman, Betty Dudley

For our parents and families

Uncle of Joe East, hospitalized in Denver

Sandy (sister of Terri Orvis) during her care for their mother

Nahid (Ghazel Chilan's aunt in Germany)

Dan, brother-in-law of Terri Orvis, upon the death of his father

Vinny, recovery from a heart event (brother of Gwen Zavin)

Mark, Greg Carter's brother

Tracy – prayers for cancer treatment (colleague of Gwen)

Jenna, for cancer surgery (Rich Rosenberg's cousin)

Mark, for living with Alzheimer's (brother of Joel David)

Danny Perez, father of Di Hannum Beatty

Parents of Laura Babbitt (Nancy), Lara Fries (Shelby), Bane Vaughn (Betty Shamburger), ~~LF~~Mowery (Fred), Chris Gohrband (Virginia), Mary Ann East (Jackie), Kim Fuller, Winnie Rosenberger's mom (Margaret)

For Friends & Neighbors

John (neighbor of Briana Gittings in Raleigh) a mid-30s father of 2 with a brain tumor

John (friend of Barcia's) waiting for a double kidney transplant

Jeff (friend of Karla Mihalik) with CoVid

Olivia – for a healthy delivery (friend of Bill Huff)

Joe, who's dealing with long-term CoVid and now has pneumonia without a hospital to recover

Susan (friend of Ali Greenberg)

Sarah (Suzanne Jewell's stepdad's daughter) for healing with a recent cancer diagnosis

Sara Marie (colleague of Mike Folsom) for health

Rosemarie (work colleague of Jocelyn Gabriel)

Marilyn Lay (friend of Marcia Johnston)

For our state, nation, and world

Health care workers

Joys of New Life are shared with:

✦ Briana & Pete Codd upon the birth of Maren Lucille Codd on January 15. Larry & Dawn Gittings are proud grandparents.

Prayers of Christian sympathy are extended to:

✦ The family of Bob Burns & Lalitha Duddey upon the death of Bob's father January 19 in Tennessee.

Welcome

Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. (Matthew 10:40)

At Community of Faith, we believe each individual is of sacred worth and dignity as part of God's creation and as demonstrated by the life and ministry of Jesus Christ. We celebrate the beautiful diversity of all races, nationalities, and ethnicities. We welcome and affirm you whether you are rich or poor; love the Church, have never been to Church, or have been wounded by spiritual communities; gay, straight, or whatever your gender identity, expression, and sexual orientation may be; married or single; a person with children or without children; able-bodied, differently-abled, or challenged with mental or emotional health issues; certain of many things or full of questions. We vow to be a safe community truly open to everyone to grow in faith - God's love has no bounds.



Ministers - The Entire Congregation

Lay Leaders – Jocelyn Gabriel & Ghazel Chilan | Music Director: Mary Ann East

Music Accompanist: Kelly Nam | Children's Coordinator – Kelli Timanus | Nursery Care – Miyo Shimoda

Youth Director & Food Ministry Administrator: Hannah Godfrey | Office Manager – Di Hannum Beatty

District Superintendent – Sara Calvert | Bishop – Sharma Lewis



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