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Ministers: All Members /
Pastor: Randy Thomas
3rd Sunday after Epiphany – Gold
January 24, 2021

FIRST
THINGS FIRST

HERE TO SERVE

District Superintendent.....Eduardo Rivera
Today's pianist.....Victor Gene Robbins
Technical Support.....Vic Ivy & Ray Griffith
Secretary / Bookkeeper.....Christina Duarte
Children's Service Leader.....
Nursery Attendant.....Antonia Terrazas
Custodian.....Alexis Duarte & Delia Dutchover

WORSHIP SERVICE

January 24, 2021

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP Leaning On The Everlasting Love # 133

PRAYER

HYMN Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us #381

PRAYER & PRAISE CARD/MORNING PRAYER/LORDS PRAYER

PRAISE & WORSHIP Lean On Me

I Love To Tell The Story

I Exalt Thee

SCRIPTURE LESSON I John 1:1-7

MESSAGE THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY

By Pastor Randy Thomas

INVITATION TO RECEIVE CHRIST AND ALTAR TIME / JOIN THE CHURCH

Please let us pray for you and help you any way we can.

Please fill out your prayer/praise card in you
bulletin, and place it in the offering.

THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY

1 John 1:1-7 (NKJV)

¹ That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life-- ² the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us-- ³ that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship *is* with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. ⁴ And these things we write to you that your joy may be full. ⁵ This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷ But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

John 1:1 (NKJV)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

1 John 1:7 (NLT2)

But if we are living in the light, as God is in the light, then we have fellowship with each other, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, cleanses us from all sin.

I. A DISCORDANT SONG

Day 1: God creates light and darkness and it was very good.

Day 2: God separates the waters above from that on Earth and it was good.

Day 3: God separates tland and creates trees, plants, and seeds and it was good.

Day 4: God creates the sun, moon, and stars, and it was good.

Day 5: God creates sea life and birds and it was good.

Day 6: God creates life on the land and humanity.

Genesis 1:31 (NLT2)

Then God looked over all he had made, and he saw that it was very good! And evening passed and morning came, marking the sixth day.

Genesis 2:18 (NLT2)

Then the LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is just right for him."

*A missing chord

*Destructive four step plan of Satan in using technology: 1)Distracting from God; 2) Focus on self; 3) Break down relationships; 4) Divide humanity and open them up to false teaching.

*We need vibrant, Bible believing and Bible teaching churches in this day.

II. TECHNOLOGY CAN'T PRODUCE A MELODY

*Technology can't alleviate loneliness

Hebrews 10:25 (NLT2)

And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.

*There's no such thing as a Lone Ranger Christian

III. GOD'S MELODY: FELLOWSHIP

Acts 2:42 (NLT2)

All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals (including the Lord's Supper), and to prayer.

*Greek word *koinonia* is translated fellowship in the English Bible.

*Bob Franquiz: "*Koinonia* does mean hanging out together, but it also has a deeper sense of oneness, unity of purpose, and a common direction. It means communion and caring for one another in the highs and lows of life. The first church, the church built by the original disciples of Jesus, focused on *koinonia* and experienced the blessed life God intended for us.

Many one another passages in the Bible

*Love one another

*Serve one another

*Bear one another's burdens

*Encourage one another

*Forgive one another

NOTES:

***Please notice the next steps for your card.**

NEXT STEPS

___ I just accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Savior.

___ I just recommitted my life to Jesus Christ.

___ I will commit to being active in my church.

___ I will memorize the memory verse this week.

Please mark your next step on your Prayer Card and place it in the offering.

Then, keep the next step above as a reminder for the upcoming week.

MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK

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- ⇒ **Happy Birthday:**
Carolyn Sadler February 11th
Harold Snyder February 12th
Alex Guitierrez (Angel Tree) February 12th
Alexis Duarte February 14th
Christina Duarte February 15th
Glynetta Card February 21st
Ruth Neyland February 24th

- ⇒ The Church office is open Monday and Thursday from 9-12 and 1-3. All calls and emails will be answered throughout the week between 8-5.

- ⇒ Sermons and bulletins can be found on our website: **fsfumc.com**, as well as other updates and important information.

- ⇒ El Buen Vecino at 401 S. Valentine is open for those who need their services. Tuesday and Thursday 2-5, Wednesday 1-5

- ⇒ Our Food Bank is in need of donations of dry and canned goods. We still have enough for those in need. If you or someone you know can use that service, the office is ready to help Mondays and Thursdays: 9-12 noon and 1-3 pm

WITH OUR GIFTS

Received last Sunday:.....Tithes & Offerings.....\$1,920.00

WITH OUR PRESENCE

Last Sunday's Morning Service.....25
Online Views (as of Thursday).....12

FUMC MISSION STATEMENT

New. Life. Now.

WITH OUR PRAYERS

Ruth & Emily Neyland who
have continuing health issues.
Johnnie & Olga Rivera.
Kay Magee.
Denna Sadler.
Sara Borden.
Melba Ward.
Sylvia Thomas.
Eva Gail Abington.

Shawn Beeles who has mela-
noma behind an eye.
Ray Ortiz who has cancer.
Brett Magee recovering from
knee surgery.
Frank Granado who is recover-
ing from pneumonia
Steve Genette has been diag-
nosed with kidney cancer

