

## Welcome and Announcements

### Passing the Peace

#### Prelude

Instrumental

#### Greeting / Call to Worship

Lord God, when you told Moses that he will deliver your people from Egyptian slavery, he tried to wiggle his way out by asking, “Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers sent me to you’ and they ask me, ‘What is His name?’ Then what shall I tell them?”

**You, O Lord, answered Moses, “I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: ‘I AM has sent me to you’**

Lord God, approximately 1,330 years after Moses, Jesus boldly proclaimed, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM.”

**Many people in the crowd picked up stones to stone Jesus because by claiming to be I AM Jesus was claiming to be God, which is blasphemy...unless He really is fully human & fully God.**

Lord God, change our hearts to make us holy and loving like Jesus.

**May our desires & attitudes conform to the desires & attitude of Jesus. May our opinions conform to the wisdom of Jesus. Amen**

**Opening Song\*** Love the Lord Your God (on screens)

**Opening Prayer\* (Serenity Prayer as originally written by Reinhold Niebuhr)**

God, give us grace to accept with serenity the things that cannot be changed, courage to change the things which should be changed, and the Wisdom to distinguish the one from the other.

Living one day at a time, enjoying one moment at a time, accepting hardship as a pathway to peace,

Taking, as Jesus did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it, trusting that You will make all things right, if I surrender to Your will. So that I may be reasonably happy in this life, and supremely happy with You forever in the next. Amen.

**Affirmation of Faith\*** (Nicene Creed, # 880 in UM Hymnal)

**Gloria Patri\***

UMH #70 / On Screens

**Old Testament** Exodus 3:13-14

“This is the word of God for the people of God”

**"Thanks be to God"**

**Children’s Sermon....**Diane Wilson

**New Testament \*** John 8:58

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**"Thanks be to God"**

### Presentation of Prayers and Praises

**Prayer Song** Come and Fill Our Hearts ( page 2157 in TFWS)

#### Prayer

### Receiving God’s Tithes and Sacrifices

#### Offertory Song

Instrumental

#### Doxology\*

UMH #95 / On Screens

**Message** "Jesus: Knowing God on a first name basis"

(Part I of "The Great I AM statements of Jesus")Pastor David Charlton

**Closing Song\*** The Jesus Way

**Benediction\*** (Hebrews 13:20-21)

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

(\* ) *Indicates to stand if able.*

As we come to know God on a first name basis through faith in Jesus, we learn that ...

➤ God is love.

➤ God is righteous.

➤ God is a God of justice for poor, oppressed, and marginalized people.

# Welcome!

We are glad you are here!  
May you experience the transforming power of God's love as you worship with us.

The following is our mission statement:  
We are an uncommon church for common people offering a love of neighbor without boundaries. We share the gospel of love when we gather to celebrate a faith relationship with Christ. We serve both God and his children through our ongoing prayers, talents, gifts, and dedication of time until he comes again in glory.

I would love to sit down with you over coffee or a meal. If you would like that, please let me know. My contact info is:  
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**We are the church on the curve.**

## This Week

### Sunday (02/22):

10:00 am – Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
6:30 PM – Chosen Series (Sanctuary)

### Monday (02/23):

Presidents' Day – Office Closed  
6:30 pm – Tai Chi Class (Fellowship Hall)  
6:30 pm – Bible study reflecting on The Chosen

### Tuesday (02/24):

9:45 am – Tai Chi Class (Fellowship Hall)

### Wednesday (02/25):

9:00 am – Food Pantry (Fellowship Hall)  
4:30 pm - Choir Bell Practice

### Thursday (02/26):

5:00 pm – Food Pantry (Fellowship Hall)  
5:00 pm – God's Kitchen (Fellowship Hall)  
6:30 pm – Prayer Shawl Meeting (Joy Classroom)

### Friday (02/27): Office Closed

## Upcoming Events

**Tuesday, March 17**, location & time TBD, United Methodist Men

**Saturday, March 28, 10:00 AM** Easter Festival

**Thursday, April 2, 6:00 PM** - Maundy Worship at Coral Isles Church

**Friday, April 3 9:30 AM** - Cross walk starts at Venetian Shores

**Friday, April 3, 12PM** - Cross walk ends at Matecumbe Methodist Church with Good Friday Worship.

**Friday, April 3, 6 PM** – Good Friday worship – starts in Fellowship Hall with soup dinner and ends in outdoor sanctuary with a contemplation on Jesus' words while dying on the cross.

**Easter Sunday, April 5, 6:30 am** - Sunrise Worship at Harry Harris Park

**Easter Sunday, April 5, 10 am** – Celebration Worship

**Burton Memorial**  
A United Methodist Church