

Traditional Service of Worship

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

January 26, 2025

11:00 a.m.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

God Leads Us Along

Rogers

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please fill out a Connect Card located in the pew pocket or scan the QR code on the bottom right side of this bulletin.

INTROIT

*HYMN

To God Be the Glory

No. 98

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Please respond by reading the bold text aloud.)

Come, all who seek the light of Christ, for Christ is the image of the invisible God, the One through whom all things were created.

In Christ, we are strengthened with all power, empowered to live in God's glorious light.

Let us give thanks to the Son, who has rescued us from darkness and brought us into God's kingdom of light.

Christ is before all things, and in Christ, all things hold together,

ALL: Let us fix our eyes on Christ, the source of all light and life, the Firstborn over all creation.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (THE APOSTLES' CREED)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen.

*RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Let no one be a stranger in the house of God.
Please take this opportunity to greet those around you.

*HYMN

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus (verse 1)

349

SCRIPTURE

John 12:44-47

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

We value the gift of generations, so all kids are invited to grab a worship bag (or coloring supplies) and remain in the sanctuary as part of worship. The nursery is open and available for kids four and younger.

ANTHEM

Grazioso
Chancel Ringers

Sherman

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY

The Yearning
Chancel Choir

Courtney

*DOXOLOGY

No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*HYMN OF ILLUMINATION

O Jesus, I Have Promised

No. 396

SCRIPTURE

Colossians 1:11-17

LEADER: Word of God for the people of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Look to Jesus"

Rev. Emily Knight

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

For the Beauty of the Earth

No. 92

*THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Dickens

*Congregation, please stand.

Worship Attendance - January 19, 2025

Contemporary Worship - In-person	61
Contemporary Worship- Online	8
Traditional Worship - In-person	99
Traditional Worship - Online	22
Total Worship	190

Serving in Worship Today

9 a.m. Contemporary Service

Greeters: Tami & Kevin Crowell, Rick Bible

Tech Team: Caroline Jennings

Liturgist: Laura Whiteman

11 a.m. Traditional Service

Greeters: Emily Rehberg, Harriet Thurgood

Tech Team: Ava Manalo, Tessa McCorkle

Ushers: Shirley Davis, Jake Manalo, Jesse Manalo

Liturgist: Lara Manalo

Crucifer: Bella McCorkle

Acolyte: Ria McCorkle

Today's handbell selection *Grazioso* was written in memory of Norma Taubert Brown, a handbell ringer, who died of cancer in 1988. The piece begins with a lovely, peaceful introductory theme, dubbed Norma's theme. After three statements, the piece begins to transition (the music darkens, depicting her struggle with the illness). It moves to a minor key, then the bass bells will bring out a very haunting melody reflecting Norma's diagnosis and battle. As the piece progresses, ringers play very steady chords with echos (gently touching their bells to the table), which represents Norma's heartbeat. As her heartbeat becomes more troubled, then ceases, the piece will become suddenly quiet. The higher bells begin to mallet a very ethereal melody representing Norma's ascension to her final resting place. As Christians, we know that is not the end of her story, so Norma's theme returns, played very majestically, as a celebration of her life.

What's Happening This Week?

TODAY:

Worship: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.

Chancel Ringers: 5:00 p.m. (Room 201)

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Tai Chi: Tues. at 10:30 a.m. & Thurs. at 7:00 p.m. (FH)

Karate: Tues. & Thurs. at 5:30 p.m., Sat. at 3:00 p.m. (Room 304)

Wednesday Night Ministry: Wed. at 5:30 p.m. (McCord Building)

Chancel Choir: Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. (Room 501)

Meals Served Last Week: 120

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.

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CONTEMPORARY SERVICE
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Gather with Song

Let Everything That Has Breath - Matt Redman

Welcome! Greet one another in Christ!

King of Kings - Hillsong United

Scripture

John 12:44-47

Lift Every Voice And Sing - James Weldon Johnson

Children's Message

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Announcements

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Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Offer Gifts to God

God Of This City - Bluetree

Proclaim God's Word

Colossians 1:11-17

"Look to Jesus"

Rev. Emily Knight

Benediction and Sending

Jesus Does - We The Kingdom



Chili Sale

Pre-order yours now.
Pick-up Sunday, Feb. 9th
\$10 quart
Circle of Hope & Sisters of Service



**THE AMANDA BETHANY STRONG
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Apply now! (By Feb 17th)



Youth Trip (No youth today)
Jan. 25-26

contact Ronin for more info.
youth@riversideparkumc.com

ONE Worship service
@10:30am
Sunday, February 16th
with Claflin University guest choir)



Love & Remembrance Lunch

Friday, February 14th @noon
Bring your lunch to the office library to
share stories and remember loved ones

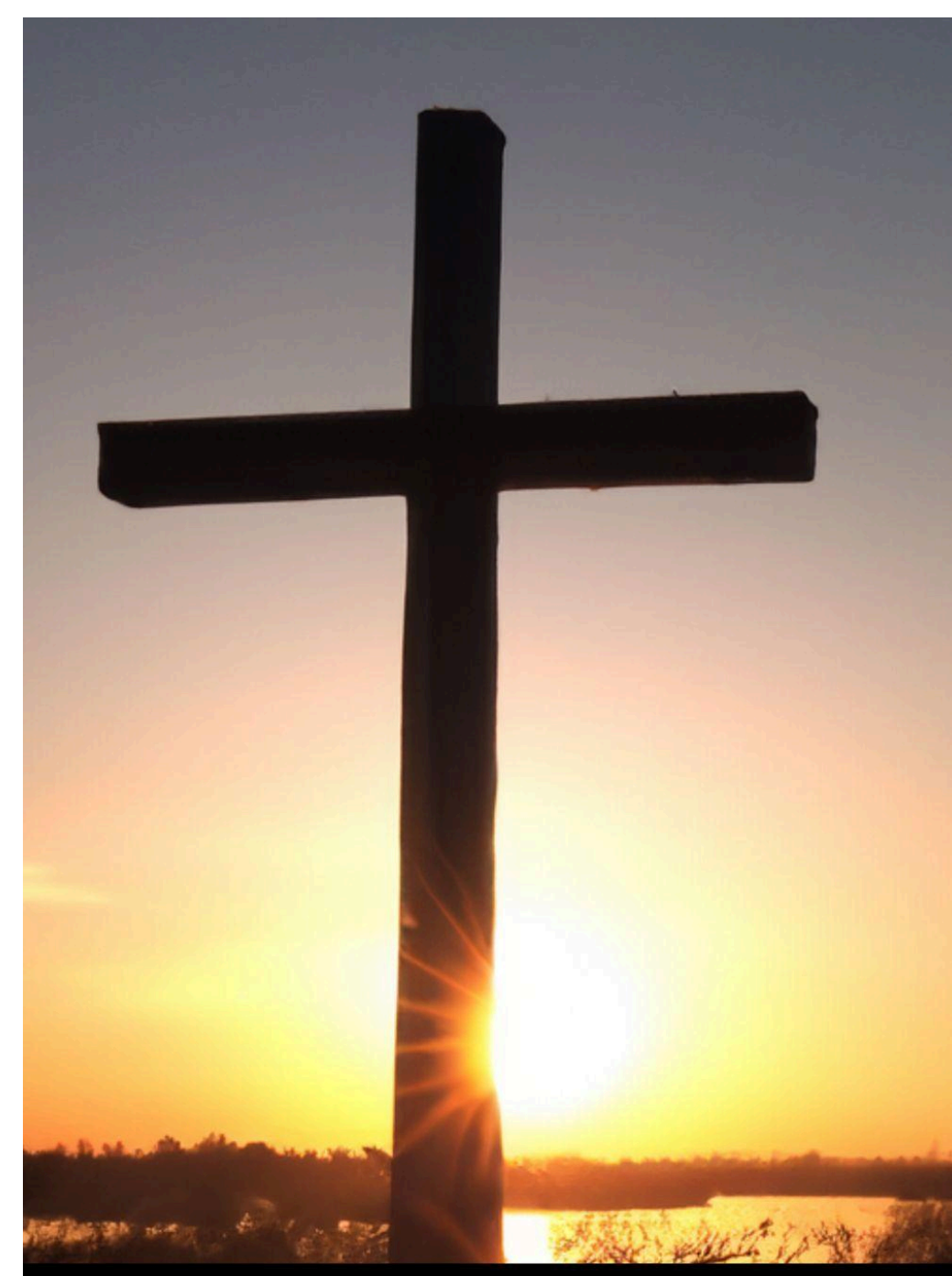
FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS

Friday, February 7th
11am Fellowship Hall

Senior adult fellowship and lunch.
February's program: chat with JSO



Offerings can be placed in the sanctuary offering plates, mailed to the church (819 Park St. Jacksonville, FL 32204) or given online using "MyWell" (code to the right): www.mywell.org/give/rpumc



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