

Faith United Methodist Church

March 28, 2021

I Am



Centering

¹⁴God said to Moses, 'I am who I am.' He said further, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "I am has sent me to you. The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you": This is my name for ever, and this my title for all generations. Exodus 3:14-15

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Holy God, be present with us as we come to know you more deeply in our lives. Help us to see your work in the world in ancient days and this day. Draw our hearts and minds closer to you so that we will be committed to doing your work in your world. Through Jesus Christ, who showed us the way, we pray, **Amen.**

Music

Prayer of Illumination

O Lord open our hearts and lives to your word so that we may be transformed into faithful disciples. **Amen.**

Scripture Reading

John 10:1-8

¹Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. ⁷So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly. The Word of God, for the People of God. Thanks Be to God. **Amen.**

Special Music

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor
(please reflect on these words silently)*

*Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's name comest, the King and Blessed One.
All glory, laud, and honor, to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.*

Witness

I Am: The Gate

Music

Joys & Concerns

Prayer of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. You are the Way, the Truth and the Life, as your children, draw us all closer to you in our daily life and work.

Lord God, you are the bread and the wine as your body in the world help us work for justice, freedom, and peace in all that we do.

Lord God, you are the light of the world, shine through us as we love and care for the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Lord God, you are the Good Shepherd, guide & protect all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; comfort the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Lord God, you are the Door, so help your Church, all who proclaim the Gospel, our Bishop Scott, our Superintendent Romonica, pastors, deacons, lay leaders, for all who serve you to welcome your people.

Lord God, you are the Resurrection and the Life, so grant eternal life to those who have died and hope for all who grieve.

In silence we name our own needs and the needs of others...

For your mercy is great so we gather all these prayers that have been spoken and those written on our hearts to you through Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

Offering & Prayer for the Gifts of the Community

O God, our hope, transform our gifts and the acts of giving into ministries of love and compassion to all the persons this church serves in your name. **Amen.**

Music

Benediction

Go forth from this time and place, through the Gate which God has opened, to hear the voice of the Good Shepherd offering care, love, offering a place of healing. So that together we may live in the world that God has planned and prepared for us all. May the blessing of God, Father, Son & Holy Spirit be with you this day and always.

Amen.

Prayer List

Margaret Arceneaux
Paul Arceneaux, Jr.
Sidney Arceneaux
Kim Craigen Ard
Lucian Adams
Dolores Anderson
Vee Battaglio
Brenda Bermaster
Lloyd Betar
Mary Bevil
Roland Blanchard
Bonnie Blankenship
Donna Suppa Bolton
Jo Bordeaux
Pat Borel
Glenda Brooks
Jean Brooks
Kent Broussard
Ann Campbell
Norma Campbell
Robert & Roxie Castilaw
Jared Castolenia
Matthew Cerda
Tana Champeau
Rebecca Chance
Billie Cherry
Kim Wilber Conn
Derick Cooper
Kyle & Beth Craigen
Dakota Crutchfield
Jimmy & Emily Davis
Bobbye Dean
Mary Delafosse
Tammy Dufour

Julie Duplichan
Keven Dupre
Marli Dupuy
Joe Floyd
Sheila Frederick
Lorene Green
Rachel Grimmett
Robert Hargraves
Connie Hebert
MaryJo Hebert
Susie Hesselteine
Edna & Raymond Jones
Selwyn Jones
Alice Kethley
Kristi Key
Ray & Tammy Lake
Bud Landry
Clyde Landry
Dora Mae LeDaux
Fred Ledesma
Alice & Louis Loftin
Orianna Marchand
Matt Markos
Barbara Martin
Randy & Shannon Mayfield
Gary & Vicky Minaldi
Linda Meyers
Ron & Michelle Mueller
Joyce Murphy
Eric Neal
Arnold Northcut
Kelly Simmons Owens
Jim Padgett
Jimmy & Ruby Parker

John & Candance Perkins
Family of Danny Phillips
Melva Phillips
Harlan Phipps
Mercedes Pierson
Justin Plake
John Pool
Kenny Puckett
Charles Quinn
Beverly Reese
Buddy Renkema
Nikki Castilaw Rice
Edward Rivet
Randy & Darlene Rivett
Floyd Roche
Ezekiel Romero
Joann Savelle
Shawna Shaw
Loretta Shearer
Brooke Simon
Harriet Simpson
Family of Smitty Smith
James Sowell
Kim Streed
Bob Taylor
Sadina Hammock Ward
Mary Alice Weitzel
Herschel Williams
Mary Rose Williams
Gail Wright



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We are called to be:

Transformed by God's love, Christ's sacrifice and the Spirit's work in our lives.

Engaged with all of God's children from the small to the tall, the near and the far.

Celebrate, worship & praise God as we care for each other.

Share the Good News of God's love in our thoughts, words and deeds.

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