

## Prayer Concerns

First Responders	Brian R.
Victims of natural disasters	Frank M.
Those suffering from mental illness	Bill & Vince, lifted by Reba Y. Jim, friend of Marilyn & Bill R.
Those affected by gun violence	Connie C.
Those who are homeless	Danielle, lifted by Alice & Andy
Stephen Ministers and Care Receivers	Selene, lifted by Carole A. Keith A.
Our condolences to Tom Mayne following the passing of his daughter-in-law, Adrienne Josh O.	Donna, sister of Carol N. Donna, friend of Judy K. Andy, Faye W.'s son
Dallas, Terri W.'s father	Israel, Sarah J.'s student
Bobbi, Terri W.'s sister	Bev, lifted by Josh O.
Barbara B.	Zack, son of Jennifer G.
Viola C.	Steve, Mary Ellen M.'s son
Susan W.	Kevin, friend of Barb & Ron C.
Carolyn and Alex B.	Dusty, nephew of Reba Y.
Danielle, Gwen's granddaughter	Darlene, friend of Barb A.
Mary, Sue S.'s mother	Sterling B.
Kifah, friend of David L.	Dawn, friend of Susan W.
Jeff, friend of Judy K.	Carol B., lifted by Ray & Jane
Jeff & Sharon B., lifted by Janis J.	Sheryl, lifted by Sally S.
Bob, Carole B.'s son	Lt. Col Bill G., USMC
Donald R.	Christopher Y., USAF
Mary Lou L.	Matthew F., USAF
Gwen H.	

## This Week's Birthdays

January 19	Christine Mincik	January 21	Mary Lou Luckado
January 20	Joel Chermonte	January 23	Jack Lachvayder

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Worship with us online:

<https://youtu.be/eDjdTpI7ifU>

**January 17, 2021**

Second Sunday after the Epiphany/Human Relations Day

### Welcome and Passing of the Peace

The grace and peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you.

**And also with you.**

### Ministries and Missions Announcements

#### Prelude

*He's Got the Whole World in His Hands*

arr. Hughes S. Livingston, Jr.

Marlene Dirksen

### Call to Worship (Psalm 139)

Anita Bridges

L: We praise you, O God. You have known us since before we were born.

**P: We love you, O God.**

L: You know us better than we know ourselves.

**P: We worship you, O God.**

L: Your knowledge is more wonderful than we can imagine.

**P: We glorify you, O God.**

L: Your creation is ever-changing and ever-amazing.

P: We praise you, O God.

All: Your love is with us forever.

**Unison Prayer** (1 Samuel 3, John 1)

Open our ears, O God, that we might hear your Word speaking to us in this moment. Open our ears, O God, that we might listen for your voice calling to us through scripture. Open our ears, O God, that we might understand your promises to followers both old and young, ancient and modern. Open our hearts, O God, that we might enter into the love you offer us. Amen.

**Old Testament Reading** 1 Samuel 3:1-10

**Hymn** *Here I Am, Lord* UMH 593  
Vocalist: Deb Chermonte

**Prayers of the People**

**Prayer Concerns** (back of bulletin)

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Prayer of Confession** (Psalm 139)

Awesome God, you have made all of creation and each cell of our bodies. You know our thoughts and you know our sins. We desperately try to hide our mistakes, our weaknesses, our embarrassments. But you know it all, and so we come before you now asking for your forgiveness. Even as you know the limits of our human capabilities, we know the unlimited power of your love. Forgive us, cleanse us, make us whole.

**Words of Assurance** (Psalm 139, 1 Corinthians 6)

The God who has made us will never desert us. The God of creation is creating still, making us new. The God whose love gave us the gift of Jesus Christ is the same God whose love forgives and sustains us.

**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.

**Penny Sunday Offering**

*The January offering will go to support the work of UMCOR.*

**The Offering with Prayer**

*Please continue to be faithful with your financial gifts by sending your stewardship contribution to the church office to the attention of the Financial Secretary, Ed Brewster.*

**Gospel Reading** John 1:43-51

**Hymn** *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* UMH 474  
Vocalist: Gabriela Martinez; Pianist: Javier Gonzalez

**Sermon** "Come, See, Follow!" Rev. Hoyte L. Wilhelm

**Hymn** *I Know Whom I Have Believed* (vv. 1-3) UMH 714  
Vocalist: Gabriela Martinez; Pianist: Javier Gonzalez

**Benediction** (1 Samuel 3, Psalm 139)

And now, sisters and brothers, go from this place knowing that the God who made you also sustains you. The God who calls you also goes with you. The God who loved you before you were born still loves you today, and into all the tomorrows. Amen.

**Postlude** *With Joy Unending* Edward Broughton  
Marlene Dirksen