

**ST. JOHN UNITED CHURCH**  
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**UNITED IN LOVE – UNITED FOR SERVICE**  
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***WELCOME TO ST. JOHN UNITED!***  
***EXPECT GOD TO COME TO YOU HERE.***



**FEBRUARY 2, 2020**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

**\* please stand**

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**WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

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*GTG=Glory to God hymnal; PH=Presbyterian hymnal;  
TFWS=The Faith We Sing hymnal; UM=United Methodist hymnal*

PRELUDE

WELCOME

INTROIT

*What Does the Lord Require of You?*

SJU Chancel Choir

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The God of blessing and love be with all of us.

**We embrace God's blessing and love.**

Turn now and pass that blessing on to one another so that our community may be bound together in love and blessing.

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

O God, you are the gathering one who calls us into community  
**with each other to love and work, to support and heal.**

You are the gathering one who calls us into community  
**with all people; to bring justice and hope, freedom and truth.**

You are the gathering one who calls us into community  
**with the whole creation; to live in harmony, to cherish and renew.**

Let us worship the God who makes us one!

\* PRAYER OF ADORATION

God the Holy Spirit,

You are the restless breath of love that sweeps through the world.

You move where you will, breaking down barriers,

Stirring hearts to change, making all things possible.

Inspire each one of us to hunger and thirst for justice!

Come, Spirit of God,

Sweep through our world bringing great change.  
May the bounty of your goodness be shared more justly,  
So all may share in the rich blessings of your creation.  
And, for us, bring transformation in our praying and living,  
So that we may act justly, love mercy,  
And walk humbly with you all the days of our lives.  
Amen.

\* OPENING SONG                      *Shout to the North [Men of Faith, Rise Up and Sing]* (GTG #319)

#### CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Let us acknowledge our need for God's grace and the grace of God made known through each of us, praying ...

#### UNISON PRAYER

**Holy One, we come before You confessing that we have taken more than our share. We have wanted to have everything we need in life and have missed seeing the needs of our neighbors. We have worked hard to get where we are and have failed to see that You gave Your life for us, and that we ought to live our lives for others. Forgive us for putting ourselves first over the needs of others. Help us to seek to serve You in all that we do, by serving our neighbors. In the name of Christ, who came not to be served but to serve, we pray. Amen.**

*(A time of silence)*

#### ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Blessed are you, for you are God's child. God loves you. God desires the best for you. Give of your best by loving your neighbors as yourselves. Know that you are forgiven. Go and live for others, loving and forgiving. Amen.

#### HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

*Lord, Be Glorified* (GTG #468)

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#### FIRST READING

Micah 6:1 – 8

#### ANTHEM

*He's Got the Whole World in His Hands*                      SJU Chancel Choir  
(traditional spiritual; arr. Sandy Willard Rogers)

#### GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1 – 12

*inside back cover*

#### MESSAGE

**"DO JUSTICE"**

Rev. Mary Ka Kanahan

#### MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

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## WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO GOD'S WORK

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### CALL TO GENEROSITY

As Christ calls for us to see the blessedness of life lived in simplicity, we are also called to serve those who are most vulnerable in this world. A feast has been prepared for those who need it most. Let us rejoice in the opportunity to participate in that feast by sharing from the wealth of God's provisions with thanksgiving and hope.

*At this time, please fill in the information sheet **on the inside back page of the bulletin** and place it in the offering basket.*

### OFFERTORY SONG

*Be Thou My Vision* (GTG #450)

### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

*This table is open to all who recognize Jesus Christ as healer and redeemer. This table is open to all who work to bring God's Kingdom here on earth. No one is turned away because of life circumstances. No one is barred from this table. No one seeking God's abundant grace and mercy is turned aside. We see before us the abundance that a life of faith offers as we respond to God's everlasting mercy in prayer and deed.*

*This morning Communion will be given by intinction. We offer gluten-free elements for those who prefer. Please approach the altar table by the two center aisles, receive the bread and wine, and return to your seat by the side aisles. You are invited to remain at the front (on either side of the platform) for a time of personal prayer.*

### The Great Thanksgiving

The Spirit is here.

**God's hope is in us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the God of peace.

**It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

Here today, through bread and wine, we renew our journey with Jesus and his disciples. We renew our unity with one another, and with all those who have gone before us in this place. We renew our communion with the earth and our interwoven life with the broken ones of the world.

We take bread, symbol of labor, symbol of life. We will break the bread because Christ, the source of life, was broken for the excluded, exploited and downtrodden. We take the fruit of the vine, symbol of blood, spilt in war and conflict; symbol also of new life. We will drink this because Christ, the peace of the world, overcomes violence.

Now bread and juice are before us, the memory of our meals, our working, our talking; the story that shapes us: the grieving and the pain, the oppressor who lies deep in our own soul, the seeking and the loving.  
And we give thanks for all that holds us together.

Therefore, with the disciples, and with all the faithful we proclaim your great and glorious name, forever praising you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy One, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Bless the One who comes in the power of Love. Hosanna in the highest!**

On the night before he died Jesus took bread; when he had given thanks he broke it, gave it to his disciples and said:

Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me. After supper he took the cup; when he had given thanks he gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood which brings new life; do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

**Break the bread for freedom. Pour the wine for justice. Celebrate this meal for all the world, a meal of faith and hope. God's love shared among us.**

Spirit of God you are here. Come upon us afresh. May the bread that we eat bind us across the world with those who cannot. May the wine we drink fortify our resolve to share with those who have not. May the power of love move us to work with those who know it not. May the justice of Jesus become a reality by which all people can eat, drink and be sustained. May that reality come, and may we be a part of its coming.

United in the power of love with all who stand for justice, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise and pray as Jesus taught, saying... "Our Father,..."

We break this bread and drink from this cup to share in the hope of Christ.

**We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.**

Come God's people, come to receive Christ's heavenly food. Come, bringing your varied faiths and backgrounds, for all are welcome to share in this act of communion.

*During Communion we will quietly sing:      Lord, I Want to Be a Christian (GTG #729)  
All Who Love and Serve Your City (GTG #351)*

\* Prayer After Communion

Filled with a Spirit that calls us and the entire world beyond what we ever thought was possible, we leave this table strengthened with food for the journey and a vision of life as it can be; one diverse family, living in justice and peace.

**Most loving God. We offer ourselves and our lives to your service. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to stand with you in your world. We ask this through our Savior Jesus Christ the servant, our friend and brother. Amen.**

\* CLOSING SONG      *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me (GTG #700)*

BENEDICTION

May the holy wisdom of God guard your ways and guide your paths.  
May the living truth of God enlighten your hearts and open your minds.  
And may the living Spirit of God give you life, and life to the full!

**Amen!**

Extrait

*Amen (GTG #600)*

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*Greeter(s):* CJ Buche

*Liturgist:* Andrew Love

*Welcomer(s):* Harriett Tootle

*Ushers:* Mike Hayman, Rich Parker

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**CHRISTIAN SERVICES OF HOWARD COUNTY** (the Thrift Shop): **TODAY** is our monthly collection for the pantry at Christian Services of Howard County (also called the Thrift Shop). When you come forward to take communion, you may place the items in the basket on either side of the dais. Cash offerings, used to buy meat for the clients, may be placed in the small baskets. If you wish to write a check please make it **payable to St. John United** and write “Christian Services” on the memo line.

Please be in prayer for:

- **Andrea Barnes** (*recovering from surgery*)
- Family and friends of **Cynthia Garber**, Izetta Cooper’s cousin
- **Our Cameroonian church family members** (*who are grieving the violence to friends and family in their home of origin*)

**For our friends at home:** Eudora Barnes, Ruth Beasley, Maxine Behling, Eddie Davis, Barbara Mall, Pat Mutchler, Ruby Polley

*Your faithful and earnest prayers make a difference and are appreciated by all.*

**UPCOMING EVENTS, DEADLINES and CLOSINGS**

- FEB 8, 9**      **CHURCH LEADERSHIP PLANNING RETREAT** (Hebron House)
- FEB 17**      **SJU and IFC OFFICES CLOSED** (Presidents' Day)
- FEB 26**      **ASH WEDNESDAY**

**CHRISTIAN APPLICATIONS CLASS**

Al Holm

The Christian Applications class will begin discussing “The Righteous Mind: Why Good People Are Divided by Politics and Religion” by Jonathan Haidt on **Sunday, February 2**. The Christian Applications class meets Sunday mornings from 9 AM until 10 AM in Room 14. Everyone is welcome to join us.

**“WHO ARE WE?” STUDY**

**(led by Pastor Mary Ka)**

**continues weekly through May 13.**

**Meet in Room 14, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm.**

For more information, contact Pastor Mary Ka,  
or email the office at [SJUColumbia@gmail.com](mailto:SJUColumbia@gmail.com)

**COUNCIL RETREAT 2020**

**SAVE THE DATES** for the Leadership Planning Retreat

Friday, February 7, 6 pm - 9 pm and

Saturday, February 8, 9am – 3pm

At Hebron House

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## CHILI ANYONE?

Do YOU have a great chili recipe you would like to share, and participate in a chili cook off for SJU in January? **Bridges to Housing Stability** has its annual cook off contest in March. Did you remember that, in the past, we have had an SJU winner?

If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Mary Lou Shippe.

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### BWES Partnership News

- On Sunday, **January 12**, some **BWES** staff, young musicians and singers joined us in service (and wasn't it great?). Members of the orchestra and chorus sang and played for our introit, anthem and offertory selections!
- SJU is invited to participate in the BWES “**Guest Reader Day**” on **February 21**. The school is looking for 2 or 3 people to guest read in Pre-K to Grade 5 classrooms from 9 am – 1 pm. During your visit, you will be given a 30-minute time slot to read a book of choice that you bring or we provide. IF you are interested, please see Karen Randall after service to sign up.
- If you'd like to **volunteer** as a tutor, reader, lunchroom helper or anything else to work with the staff and students at BWES, it's easy - the form for letting the school know about your interest is here:  
<http://bwes.hcpss.org/content/bwes-online-volunteer-training>
- We're still encouraging people to support the school by joining the BWES **PTA**. If you want to know more about applying, ask a team member. The form for joining can be downloaded here:  
<https://bryantwoodspta.weebly.com/membership.html>

Thank you for all your help in making our partnership with BWES a success!

*The BWES team (Karen Randall, John Roberts, Mary Ka Kanahan, Mary Lou Shippe, and Andrew Love)*

### **PLEASE PICK UP YOUR 2020 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES!**

**There are many envelopes still waiting to be picked up.** See Dean Randall, Alvin Thompson or John Worley – finance team members – if you have questions.

*(If your name is not on a set of envelopes, please add your name to the request sheet provided.)*

**MISSION COMMITTEE**

Our next meeting is scheduled for  
**February 16, at 12 noon,**  
in Room 20.

The Mission Team is “United for Service” in our community and the world. If you would like to be part of this dynamic and impactful SJU ministry, which reaches around the world, you are invited to join!

Contact Lisa Cooper-Green  
if you have questions.

**COMMUNION SERVERS NEEDED!**

Patsy Nwagbaraocha

I'm still seeking volunteers to serve communion.

We need four persons  
each first Sunday of the month.

If you are interested, please let me know at  
p.nwagbaraocha@gmail.com or call  
410-730-3543.

If you have never served, this is a meaningful way to be part of this important function of our worship.

**Call to Generosity and Action**

**A Wonderful Opportunity for Those at Least 70 ½ Years Young**

In December 2015, the Protecting Americans from Tax Hikes (PATH) Act was passed. The Act made permanent the IRA charitable rollover, allowing for individuals age 70½ and older to make **tax-free** distributions from individual retirement accounts (IRAs) to a qualified charitable organization. **The amount transferred can be used to meet the donor's required minimum distribution.**

You are encouraged to contact your financial advisor to further explore the possibility of a gift from your IRA to SJU. Discover how an IRA rollover gift can benefit both donor and recipient! For more information, see Dean Randall or John Worley of the Finance Team.

Pastor Mary Ka

**POTENTIAL FRAUD ALERT:  
'20 could be turned into "2019" or "2021"**

When signing and dating legal documents, do not use 20 as the year 2020.  
For example, 3/3/20 could be modified to 3/3/2019 or 3/3/2021.

Protect yourself and avoid any fraud possibilities  
by writing out the full year (3/3/2020 or March 3, 2020).



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WILDE LAKE INTERFAITH LIBRARY NEWS  
[interfaithlibrary.wildelake@gmail.com](mailto:interfaithlibrary.wildelake@gmail.com) 410-730-7920  
Library Hours: Sundays, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm  
**Do you like books?** You could spend a couple of hours on a Sunday enjoying the Interfaith library and keeping it open for other parishioners. The need is great and the rewards are many. For more information contact [interfaithlibrary.wildelake@gmail.com](mailto:interfaithlibrary.wildelake@gmail.com)

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**THE CENTER’S FIRST ANNUAL HAPPY HOUR & SILENT AUCTION**  
Sunday, February 9 – 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm  
The Center, 210 West Madison St., Baltimore MD 21211  
Connect with partners and friends at The Center for our first annual Happy Hour and Silent Auction Fundraiser! Your financial support makes our work with our local partners possible.  
Your ticket gives you access to an open bar, heavy hors d'oeuvres, delightful musical entertainment, and a chance to support the center by bidding on a collection of silent auction items donated by our partner congregations.  
Tickets are \$25; available through this link:  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-centers-first-annual-happy-hour-and-silent-auction-tickets-82083850005>  
*The Center is a mission initiative of the **Presbytery of Baltimore**. We envision a world of just communities and thriving congregations. Our mission is to inspire and equip churches and individuals to engage boldly with their neighborhoods - to get involved where Christ's love and justice are already at work.*

**BWC Scholarship application process now open:** The BWC awards scholarships for qualified students currently attending college, as well as high school seniors who plan to attend college in the fall of 2020. The application process **closes March 5**. To be considered for a scholarship, students must complete the full online application which includes uploading their current transcripts. In addition, the student must provide contact information for their pastor and one additional church reference. The pastor and reference will be contacted and asked to submit information on the student's participation in the local church. The entire process will be completed online. [Learn more and apply](#).

**Registration is now open for the 886<sup>th</sup> Gathering of Presbytery** to be held at 3:30 pm, February 13, 2020 at Catonsville Presbyterian Church, 1400 Frederick Road, Baltimore. All pastors, clerks, presbytery commissioners and interested Presbyterians are invited to attend.

The meeting will feature an evening worship service with communion, with a focus on the theme “This is Our Story: Celebrating Black History in the Presbytery of Baltimore.” The service will also include the reading of the necrology of Ministers of Word and Sacrament and Ruling Elders who have passed away in the past year. Items for Discernment and Decision will include consideration of possible support for two overtures to the 224<sup>th</sup> General Assembly. Commissioners. [Register for dinner](#)

**The Ruth Gosnell Education Fund:** Need an interest-free loan for the 2020-2021 academic year to complete your college Junior, Senior or Graduate School studies? The Ruth Gosnell Education Fund, directed by the Springfield Presbyterian Church, provides interest-free loans for those full-time student categories. Regardless of religion, all applicants will receive impartial consideration; and repayment of the loan does not start until 6 months after graduation. Loan applications will be evaluated on academic performance, financial need, and a short essay. Visit their website for [more information](#).

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### INCLEMENT WEATHER NOTICE

\*\* In case of inclement weather, please do the following. \*\*

**FIRST, SEE IF/WHEN THE BUILDING IS OPEN:**

= call the Interfaith Center (410-730-7920) for its recorded announcement.  
(*If the building is open, scheduled meetings/activities can take place.*)

**THEN, SEE IF/WHEN THE SJU OFFICE IS OPEN:**

= check the SJU website's home page ([www.sjuinted.org](http://www.sjuinted.org))  
= check the SJU Facebook page (<http://tinyurl.com/SJUFacebook>)  
= call the SJU office (410-730-9137) for its recorded special announcement

Matthew 5:1-12  
The Beatitudes

**5** When Jesus<sup>[a]</sup> saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. **2** Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

**3** “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

**4** “Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

**5** “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

**6** “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

**7** “Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

**8** “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

**9** “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

**10** “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup> “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely<sup>[b]</sup> on my account. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

**THIS WEEK AT SJU (FEBRUARY 2 – FEBRUARY 9)**

**Weekly deadline for all bulletin notices is TUESDAY.**

SUN 2/2	MON 2/3	TUE 2/4	WED 2/5	THU 2/6	FRI 2/7	SAT 2/8	SUN 2/9
10:30 am Worship Service: Rm 4	4:00 pm Finance team: Rm 18		1:00 pm “Who Are We” study: Rm 14  2:00 pm CCC: Rm 18	7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal: Rm 18	5:00 pm Council Retreat: Hebron House	8:00 am Council Retreat: Hebron House	10:30 am Worship Service: Rm 4  12 noon: Needlework Group: Rm 20  12:15 pm BWES Team: Rm 19

**SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 9 (5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY):**

*Lectionary Readings (NRSV):*

Isaiah 58:1 – 9a (9b – 12); Psalm 112:1 – 9 (10)  
1 Corinthians 2:1 – 12 (13 – 16); Matthew 5:13 – 20

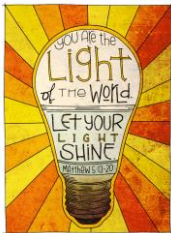
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INTROIT

*Woke Up This Morning*

SJU Chancel Choir

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let us greet another as a sign of God's peace and of our shared friendship. The peace of God is here ... to stay.

**Thanks be to God.**

*You are invited to share a sign of friendship and peace with your neighbors.*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

We are called to bring a new understanding of God: that God so loves the world.

**We are the salt of the earth.**

We are called to bring a new hope in God: that God gives us new life.

**We are the light of the world.**

We are called to follow the commandments and the law.

**The Law of God is to love God and to love one another.**

Come, let us be the salt of the earth, the light of the world.

**Come, let us love one another with the love of God.**

**Let us join together in our love of God to worship and follow Jesus.**

\* OPENING SONG

*Gather Us In [Here in This Place] (GTG #401)*

UNISON PRAYER

**O Holy One, we play at following you and doing your will, but then your prophets speak so loudly again and remind us what it really is that you are asking of us. It is so hard to do. We would rather keep playing Christian than being one.**

**We want lives enriched with wisdom, but so many other voices seem louder. We want to shine your light, but we ignore your laws and commands. Today we come to hear again your will for us. May we be receptive to what the Holy Spirit brings to our ears, minds and hearts today. Amen.**

*(A time of silence)*

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*Soon and Very Soon*  
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GOSPEL

Matthew 5:13 – 20

*inside back cover*

MESSAGE

**“FAITH THAT SHOWS”**

Rev. Mary Ka Kananah

MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

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**WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO GOD’S WORK**

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CALL TO GENEROSITY

Our Lord has given us much work to do. With thanksgiving and joy let us bring forth our tithes, offerings and ourselves to serve the Lord and do God’s will.

*At this time, please fill in the information sheet **on the inside back page of the bulletin** and place it in the offering basket.*

OFFERTORY SONG

*His Eye is On The Sparrow* (GTG #661)

\* Doxology

*All Creatures of Our God and King* (v. 1)

*Text: Francis of Assisi, 1225; trans. composite*

*Music: Geistliche Kirchengesänge, 1623, alt.; Harm Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906*

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O brother sun with golden beam, O sister moon with silver gleam, sing praises!  
Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\* DEDICATION OF GIFTS

Gracious God, may what we have brought forth today from our pockets and ourselves go to offer food to the hungry, satisfy the needs of the afflicted, and bring light into the darkness. Amen.

Congregational Call to Prayer

*There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit* (GTG #408)

\* CLOSING SONG/SENDING FORTH

*Take My Life, That I May Be*

Lutheran Hymnal #583 [calypso]

*text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, adapt.;*

*Music: William Dexheimer Pharris, b. 1956; arr. Mark Sedio, b. 1954*

*Refrain:*

*Take my life, that I may be  
consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
take my moments and my days;  
let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

Take my hands and let them move  
at the impulse of thy love;  
take my feet and let them be  
swift and beautiful for thee. [Refrain]

Take my silver and my gold;  
not a mite would I withhold;  
take my intellect and use  
ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose. [Refrain]

Take my voice and let me sing  
always, only, for my King;  
take my lips and let them be  
filled with messages from thee. [Refrain]

Take my will and make it thine;  
it shall be no longer mine;

take my heart, it is thine own;  
it shall be thy royal throne. [Refrain]

**BENEDICTION**

As people of faith we have gathered for worship.  
**As people of faith we now return to the world.**  
Go out to share the story of faith, the story of life, with the world around you.  
**We share the faith in word and in deed, in speech and in action.**

As you go out to give a living witness, as you go out to testify to God's love active in the world, go knowing that God goes with you, sharing the laughter and the hope, the fears and the tears.  
**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

Extroit

*Amen (GTG #600)*

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- **Evann Ridgeway** (*will be recuperating at home after scheduled surgery on February 10*)
- **Pastor Mary Ka** (*will be recuperating at home after scheduled surgery on February 11*)
- **Our Cameroonian church family members** (*who are grieving the violence to friends and family in their home of origin*)

**For our friends at home:** Eudora Barnes, Maxine Behling, Eddie Davis, Pat Mutchler, Ruby Polley

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**FOR PASTORAL CARE CONCERNS  
FEBRUARY 11 through FEBRUARY 25**

Please contact the church directly:  
Email: [SJUColumbia@gmail.com](mailto:SJUColumbia@gmail.com) (best method)  
Phone: 410-730-9137

During this time of Pastor Mary Ka's recovery, we have clergy to respond to your needs.

**UPCOMING EVENTS, DEADLINES and CLOSINGS**

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**FEB 26** ASH WEDNESDAY (joint service with Christ UMC, 7:30 pm, Room 4)  
**MAR 15** JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE with Christ UMC, Room 4)

**EXCITING UPDATE!  
BRIDGES TO HOUSING STABILITY  
CHILI COOK OFF, MARCH 29**

SJU will be participating in the **chili cook off** sponsored by Bridges to Housing Stability on Sunday, March 29 from 12:30 - 3PM at the Al-Taqua Islamic Center, 10740 Route 108, Ellicott City, MD.

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**POTENTIAL FRAUD ALERT:**  
**'20 could be turned into "2019" or "2021"**

When signing and dating legal documents, do not use 20 as the year 2020.  
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Deuteronomy 30:15 – 20; Psalm 119:1 – 8  
 1 Corinthians 3:1 – 9; Matthew 5:21 – 37

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

INTROIT

*Seek Ye First*

SJU Chancel Choir

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Christ asks that we be reconciled to one another. The love of Christ reaches out to friend and stranger, touching each life with blessing. Share the peace and presence of Christ with one another.

*You are invited to share a sign of friendship and peace with your neighbors.*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Does not Wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice?

**On the heights, at the crossroads she takes her stand.**

Beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance she cries out,

**To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.**

Hear instruction and be wise, and do not neglect it.

**Happy is the one who listens to Wisdom, watching and waiting daily.**

For whoever finds Wisdom finds life, and obtains favor from the Lord.

**Come, worship God, seek Wisdom, and follow Jesus our Lord.**

\* OPENING SONG

*They'll Know We Are Christians*  
*[We Are One in the Spirit] (GTG #300)*

UNISON PRAYER

**Come, Holy One:**

**teach us your ways, lead us in your paths, guide us on our journey. Speak to us your words of life, for you offer us direction and wholeness when we hear your voice and follow.**

**You bless us with your love, shower us with your grace, and help us grow in faith. We seek you, O God, with all our hearts.**

**Be near us this day. Amen.**

*(A time of silence)*

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

*Lord, Be Glorified (GTG #468)*

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## WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD TO US

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*Readings are NRSV unless otherwise noted. CEB=Common English Bible; CEV=Contemporary English Version; KJV=King James Version; MSG=The Message; NLT=New Living Translation; TIB=The Inclusive Bible*

FIRST READING

1 Corinthians 3:1 – 9

ANTHEM

*Kumbaya*  
(traditional spiritual; arr. Paul Sjolund)

SJU Chancel Choir

SECOND READING

Psalms 27:1, 4 – 7

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**WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO GOD'S WORK**


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## CALL TO GENEROSITY

God has given us growth, guided our steps on the ways that lead to life, and provided companions for our journey. Our very lives are a gift from God. With gratitude and praise, we turn to God with obedient hearts to offer back our gifts, that others may find life and wholeness.

*At this time, please fill in the information sheet **on the inside back page of the bulletin** and place it in the offering basket.*

## OFFERTORY SONG

*Breathe On Me, Breath of God* (GTG #286)

## \* Doxology

*All Creatures of Our God and King* (v. 1)

*Text: Francis of Assisi, 1225; trans. composite*

*Music: Geistliche Kirchengesange, 1623, alt.; Harm Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906*

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O brother sun with golden beam, O sister moon with silver gleam, sing praises!  
Alleluia!

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## \* DEDICATION OF GIFTS

Loving God, you have shown us your ways and led us in the paths of abundance. You have blessed us and kept us safe. In you we see that we are loved. We offer you our lives, for we have chosen to follow you. We offer you our praise, for your love is great. Use our gifts, our money, and our hearts to establish your realm of love upon the earth. Amen.

## Congregational Call to Prayer

*There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit* (GTG #408)

## \* CLOSING SONG/SENDING FORTH

*Lift Every Voice and Sing* (GTG #339)

## BENEDICTION

As we journey out into the world,  
**may each of us walk in the light of God's ways, striving to be blameless and just.**

May our hearts be vessels of God's love  
**and may the Lord bless us in the land that we are entering.**

Hold fast. Do not be led astray, and may the love of God be yours this day and forevermore.

Go now in peace. **Amen.**

## Extrait

*Amen* (GTG #600)

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- **Our Cameroonian church family members** (*who are grieving the violence to friends and family in their home of origin*)

**For our friends at home:** Eudora Barnes, Maxine Behling, Eddie Davis, Pat Mutchler, Ruby Polley

*Your faithful and earnest prayers make a difference and are appreciated by all.*

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For questions or concerns about Capital Project W-8331, contact Lisa Brightwell, Public Works Customer Service, at 410-313-3440, or email [publicworks@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:publicworks@howardcountymd.gov)

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Exodus 24:12 – 18; Psalm 99

2 Peter 1:16 – 21; Matthew 17:1 – 9

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To celebrate our diversity and promote inclusiveness for all;  
To partner with and advocate for victims of social injustice;  
And to share the good news of Jesus Christ and invite others to do the same.

**Attention anyone interested in joining St. John United:** New members are usually received on the fourth Sunday of each month. Please see Pastor Mary Ka to discuss membership and the new member gathering with Council and committee members.

**ONGOING/FYI: • NEEDLEWORK GROUP – SECOND SUNDAYS –ROOM 20:** 12:15 pm. For more information contact [Carole Thompson](#).

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