

Community Church At Sun Village

A Service of Communion

January 3, 2021



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Prelude	Cheryl Clopton
Opening Hymn	<i>"Down at the Cross"</i>
Call to Worship	Galatians 2:20
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Call to Worship	Psalm 23
Missionary Prayer Assignment	CRU The Jesus Project - Phil and Ellen Nichols
Worship Hymn	"The Old Rugged Cross"
Family Time	Marylyn Cirulis
Greet One Another in Christian Love <i>"Man of Sorrows"</i>	
Communion Prayer to Begin the New Year	Don Dropps
Worship through Our Tithes and Offerings <i>Doxology</i>	
Special Music	Cheryl Clopton Selection of Melodies on Piano

Lessons from the Storm Scripture Readings

The Disciples Administer the Miraculous Feeding

Matthew 14:19-22

Steve Cole

Jesus directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children. Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd.

Jesus Comes to the Disciples in the Storm

Matthew 14:23-24

Lynda Cole

After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.

Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear.

But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid."

Lord Save Me!

Matthew 14:28-31

Donna Jones

"Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." "Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!"

Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"

Worship

Matthew 14:32-33

Pastor Charles Rasmussen

And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Message

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Standing Strong During God's Stormy Tests

Lord's Prayer

Communion

Communion Bread *"Let us Break Bread Together"*

"For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was

Oh, precious fountain that saves from sin,
I am so glad I have entered in
There Jesus saves me and keeps me clean,
Glory to his name!

Come to this fountain so rich and sweet,
Cast your poor soul at the Savior's feet;
Plunge in today and be made complete;
Glory to His Name!

CALL TO WORSHIP
Galatians 2:20

(Pastor) I am crucified
(All) With Christ
(Pastor) And I no longer live
(All) But Christ lives in me
(Pastor) The life I now live in the body
(All) I live by faith in the Son of God
(Pastor) Who loved me
(All) And gave Himself for me.

CALL TO WORSHIP
Psalm 23

(Pastor) The Lord is my shepherd;
(All) I shall not want
(Pastor) He maketh me to lie down in green
pastures:

(All) He leadeth me beside the still waters
(Pastor) He restoreth my soul
(Pastor) He leadeth me in the paths of
righteousness
(All) For His name's sake
(Pastor) Yea, though I walk through the valley of
the shadow death,
(All) I will fear no evil:
(Pastor) For Thou art with me;
(All) Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me
(Pastor) Thou preparest a table before me
(All) In the presence of mine enemies:
(Pastor) Thou anoinest my head with oil;
(All) My cup runneth over
(Pastor) Surely goodness and mercy
(All) Shall follow me all the days of my life
(Pastor) And I will dwell
(All) In the house of the Lord forever.

The Old Rugged Cross

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
The emblem of suffering and shame;
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

Refrain

*So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
Till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
And exchange it someday for a crown.*

O that old rugged cross,
so despised by the world,
Has a wondrous attraction for me;
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above
To bear it to dark Calvary.

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true,
Its shame and reproach gladly bear;
Then He'll call me some day to my home far away,
Where His glory forever I'll share.

Man of Sorrows

"Man of Sorrows," What a name!
For the Son of God, who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude,
In my place condemned He stood;
Sealed my pardon with His blood.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless we;
Spotless Lamb of God was He;

Full atonement! can it be?
Hallelujah! What a Savior!
Lifted up was He to die;
It is finished! was His cry;
Now in Heav'n exalted high.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious king,
All His ransomed home to bring,
Then anew His song we'll sing:
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Let us Break Bread Together

Let us break bread together on our knees;
Let us break bread together on our knees;
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising
sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;
Let us drink wine together on our knees;
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising
sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees;
Let us praise God together on our knees;
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising
sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.



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CHURCH AT SUN VILLAGE IN ACTION – A WARM WELCOME



It is our privilege to worship the Lord our God freely without intimidation or fear of opposition. The psalmist exhorts, “Come, let us sing to the Lord! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms...Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker. For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.”

Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to all those who are celebrating in the month of **January**.



Thank You - All members and friends of Sun Village Community Church offer our Thanks to **Chef Peter**

of **Chef Peter's Bistro** for his continuing assistance to the church. Please continue to support him while he keeps **Chef Peter's Bistro** open and available to Sun Village.

Audio recordings of all of Pastor's sermons are found on the church website www.communitychurchsv.com
(click the sermon tab)

CDs of the sermons for any date are available (free). Please contact the church office.

COMMUNITY CHURCH AT SUN VILLAGE ON OUR KNEES



Keep all those suffering from **COVID-19** in your prayers. Pray for a quick recovery, strength to endure the issues associated with the disease before, during and after it passes and for the family and friends who serve as caretakers.

Pray for our **home-bound** members that they will be encouraged as they look to God for His blessings.

Members of CCSV

Thank you so much for the wonderful end of year gift I received. I feel honored to assist the church in its needs throughout the year.

Marylyn

Missions –The Jesus Project

Phil and Ellen Nichols

When COVID-19 cases began ramping up worldwide, Cru® national ministries in Southern and Eastern Africa—like many ministries around the world—questioned what to do. When the virus spread, governments locked their countries down. Some banned public gatherings. Nevertheless, ministry workers determined this wasn't a time to retreat, knowing God was still at work. Global Church Movements national team leaders and a host of local Cru staff members and volunteers banded together to steward Hope2020, Africa's gospel response to COVID-19.

The Hope2020 digital strategy encourages believers to go a step beyond evangelism—by leading small groups and encouraging their members to share the gospel and form their own groups. For instance, Tonderai mentors 20 people in Zimbabwe, using WhatsApp as a Bible study platform. Among his mentees is Chipu, a third-year medical student at the University of Zimbabwe. She has five mentees of



Pray for Missions

her own. One of these mentees is Nsobi, who shares her Bible studies with a group of 300 people, and so on.

Rwandan ministry workers used the WhatsApp platform to run a nightly Bible study. Soon after, the group challenged everyone to share via WhatsApp the names of 10 friends who aren't believers. They assigned the names to each other and committed to initiate gospel conversations with everyone listed. **The group initiated gospel conversations with 56 people, and 18 of them indicated decisions to receive Christ!**

Persecuted Church -Egypt

12/15/2020 International Christian Concern (ICC)

On December 10, 2020, three extremists attacked Coptic Christians living in Alexandria, Egypt resulting in the murder of one Christian, the injuring of two, and significant damage to three Christian shops. Although arrests were made, local Christians have expressed fear that the extremists will be declared mentally ill and thus not receive the punishment according to the law. This fear is based on an established pattern of Egypt using claims of mental illness to reduce the penalties of those who attack Christians. Claire Evans, ICC's Regional Manager for the Middle East



said, "The Christian community in Egypt is not okay, despite messaging from the authorities to the contrary." and, "Persecution is more than violent cases; it is also about how the authorities respond to these injustices."

World, National, and State Concerns

Pray for **protection**, and for **containment** of the **Coronavirus (COVID-19)**.

Pray for our **nation's leaders**, that they would have **wisdom** in how to deal with the virus.

Pray for **medical professionals**, that God would guide and protect them as they treat those affected.

Pray for our brothers and sisters whose **businesses** and **job stability** might be affected.

Pray especially for those who are the most **vulnerable** to the effects of the virus.

Pray for **President Donald Trump** as he completes his four-year term of office. These are critical days for our nation.

Pray earnestly for a **revival in this land**, that Christians will boldly take a stand for their Christian beliefs. Pray that those who attempt to impose restrictions on us that are contrary to the Law of God are stopped.

Pray for **our National and State legislators**. Pray for the congress as they deal with critical issues

facing our nation. Pray for all those who are in **leadership** over the political matters facing our national, state, and local governments.

Pray for those in **Law Enforcement** throughout the country. Pray for God's intervention to stop the constant attacks against police and those charged with keeping law and order.

Pray for **protection of our troops** as they serve around the world to keep and maintain peace. Pray for wisdom for those who provide **leadership for military** operations.

Our Deepest Thanks

Marge and I express our deepest thanks for your "beyond", generous Christmas Gift this year. That is, "Beyond-any-Christmas-gift-received-in-my-forty-years-as-a-pastor", and it represent your bountiful love to us. In the words of the Apostle Paul, your gift is a "fragrant offering...pleasing to God"—and to us!

Our Deepest Thanks,

Pastor Charles and Marge Rasmussen

