ST. PAUL & ST. ANDREW

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Join us as we build a community of radical welcome that follows Jesus into the streets of the city to increase the amount of love and justice in the world.

K Karpen Lea Matthews Andrea Steinkamp Pastors

Second Sunday after Epiphany

Human Relations Day

January 14, 2024 11:00 a.m.





Sunday, January 14, 2024 ♦ 2nd Sunday After Epiphany

♦ Please rise in body or spirit

Prelude Frank Glass

The Promised Land by Miss M. Durham in *The Southern Harmony* (1835);

arr. by Frank Glass (2020)

Irve Been To the Mountaintop by Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Call To Worship ♦ Aurora Celestin (pg. 4)

Opening Hymn (519)♦ Lift Every Voice and Sing (pg. 5, v. 1,3)

Prayer Aurora Celestin

Prayer Song Lift Every Voice and Sing (pg. 5, v. 4)

Scripture Andrea Steinkamp, with SPSA Children & Youth

1 Samuel 3: 1-10 (pg. 6)

Youth & kids are invited up front to the chancel. After the scripture, kids 10 and under are invited to Sunday School in the Chapel.

Scripture Song Open My Eyes, That I May See (pg. 7, v. 1-3)

Gospel Reading ♦ Pearl Vercruysse

John 1: 43-51 (pg. 6)

Gospel Song ♦ Open My Eyes, That I May See (pg. 7, v. 4)

Sermon K Karpen

"Come and See"

Sung Response The Summons (pg. 8)

Morning Prayer Lea Matthews

Lord's Prayer Our God who art in heaven, but whom we know on earth, your very name is

precious to us. May your kin-dom come to us; May your will be done by us, on earth, as your angels hasten to do it in heaven. Give us today the food we need, but let us not eat until we know that those around us have food as well. Forgive us our sins and shortcomings, but not before we forgive in our hearts those who have disrespected and disappointed us. Do not lead us into situations that tempt us to be less than ourselves, but call us to defy evil in our nation and world. For thine is the kin-dom and the power and the

glory forever. Amen!

Prayer Song Spirit, Open My Heart (pg. 4)

Welcome Ekama Eni

Please Please greet those right around you with 'Peace be with you'.

Peace Song Siyahamba!

Siyahamb' ekukha nyen quen kos We are marching in the light of God Marcharemos en la luz de dios

Love in Action Nancy Meyers (pg. 12)

Offertory Of tithes, gifts, prayers, and pledges for 2024 (pg. 9)

Offering Chancel Choir

Lord, Don't Move the Mountain

Mahalia Jackson (1958), arr. Frank Glass (2023)

Scan the QR code or text "Give" to 646-971-9400

Prayer of Gratitude Julia Tulloch

Closing Hymn (714) ◆ I Know Whom I Have Believed (pg. 7)

Benediction ♦ K Karpen

Postludial Response Chancel Choir

I Believe This Is Jesus!

African American Spiritual, harmonized by John W. Work (1940)

Epiphany Activity Julia Tulloch

Empathy, Generosity, Hospitality, Curiosity, Humility, Lament, Forgiveness,

Vulnerability, Gratitude, Hope, Stewardship, Creativity

Livestream Brent Ness (director), **Chaz Pittman/Red Gate Sound** (video)

Audio Hector Pagan

Counters Linda Bloom, Connie Coddington Greeters Erna Daniel, Shirley Struchen

Childcare Al-Naima Finch

Childcare (ages 1-3) is available in the Parlor.



If you are new to our community, we'd love to keep in touch, and invite you to fill out a Connect Card at the Welcome Table, or scan this QR code to complete a Connect Card online. Thank you for joining us today!

Call To Worship

From "Letter from Birmingham City Jail" by Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

One: Though I was initially disappointed at being categorized as an extremist,

Many: I gradually gained a measure of satisfaction from the label.

One: Was not Jesus an extremist for love:

Many: 'Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you.'

One: Was not Amos an extremist for justice:

Many: 'Let justice roll down like waters & righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.'

One: Was not Paul an extremist for the Christian gospel: **Many:** 'I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus.'

One: Was not Martin Luther an extremist:

Many: 'Here I stand; I cannot do otherwise, so help me God.'

One: Was not Harriet Tubman an extremist for freedom?

Many: "I reasoned that one of two things I had a right to, liberty or death; if I could not have the one I'd have the other."

One: So the question is not whether we will be extremists.

Many: But what kind of extremists we will be.

One: Will we be extremists for hate or for love?

Many: Will we be extremists for the preservation of injustice or the extension of justice?

One: Jesus Christ was an extremist for love, truth and goodness;

Many: Perhaps this nation and the world are in dire need of creative extremists.

Spirit, Open My Heart





Ruth Duck, 1994

Irish Folk Tune WILD MOUNTAIN THYME

Lift Every Voice and Sing

Words: James Weldon Johnson, 1921 Music: John Rosamond Johnson, 1921



PRAYER SONG: God, you have called us to go to extremes for you,
Living a life of justice, joy, and love.
Give us the strength to stay close to the narrow way,
Spreading the grace you pour down from above.

--K Karpen, 2024

Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 3: 1-10

3 Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

² At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³ the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴ Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵ and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call; lie down again." So Samuel went and lay down. ⁶ The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my child; lie down again." ⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸ The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹ Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if God calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰ Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "**Samuel! Samuel!"** And Samuel responded, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

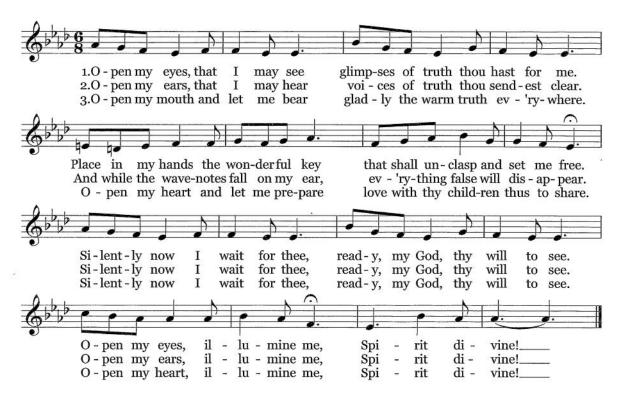
The Word of God for the people of God **Thanks be to God!**

Gospel Reading: John 1: 43-51

⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. There, he found Philip and called to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴ Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found the One about whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." ⁴⁶ Nathanael said to Philip, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip responded, "Come and see." ⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸ Nathanael asked Jesus, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹ Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Child of God! You are the Ruler of Israel!" ⁵⁰ Jesus answered, "Do you believe just because I told you that I saw you under some fig tree? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹ And Jesus said to Nathaniel, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see the heavens open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Human One."

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Open My Eyes, That I May See



4. Open my mind to be aware good things can come from anywhere.

Lead me, by grace, to come and see value in those quite strange to me.

Silently now, I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.

Open my mind, illumine me, Spirit divine!

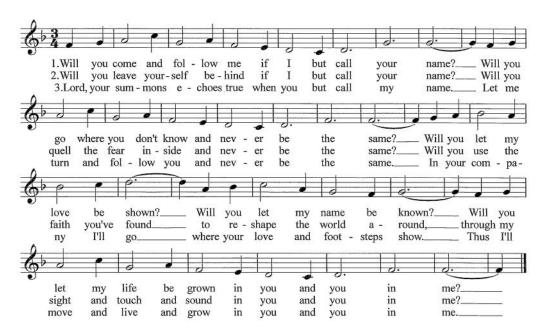
Words and Music: Clara Scott, 1895

Verse 4: K Karpen, 2024

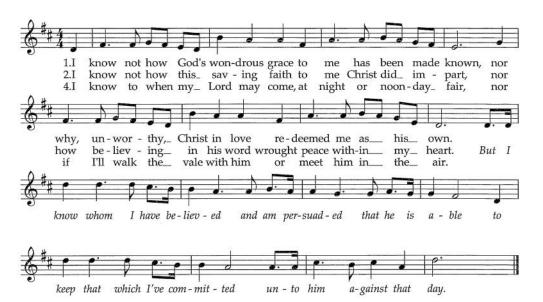
The Summons

WORDS: John Bell, 1987

MUSIC: Traditional Scottish Tune



I Know Whom I Have Believed



Joys & Concerns

Joy & Thanksgiving

Gina L, for sharing Christmas dinner with Elizabeth D and Gina's 17 month old granddaughter, being present to the joy it brought all of them to be together

Gratitude for shared concerns and mutual support

Health & Healing

Gisela's brother, Joachim, for successful surgery this week Kathryn DeL, fighting a virus; and for her eye health Kathryn's friend Betty L, whose cancer has come back and whose prognosis is treacherous

Jolene M, in the hospital for hip surgery following a fall

Ongoing prayers for Keyona W and her continued struggle with colon cancer, may her body adjust to this new chemotherapy, so she can function Benz's parents with Covid Marianne and David Colleen L Julia T

Kate's friend, Ruthie For all who are sick

Karen's friend, Michelle S, who is diagnosed with cancer

For Kay's brother John who is suffering from depression over a lost job
For David & Margery's granddaughter who is suffering from acute anxiety
Elizabeth J, healing from surgery
For healing for AJ's cousins, Lynn D and Joseph M

For families under stress Charles F, with Covid

Ava, in hospital with a serious UTI; for

relief of pain and for healing Continued prayers for Sydney Andrea's Uncle, Richard B, recently diagnosed with Stage 4 colon cancer; for his wife Patti and children, Jamie and Steven

Comfort

Support & hope for people who struggle to re-connect emotionally at the end of the year Continued prayers for the Law family, Brooke, Simeon, Elijah and Jacqueline, as they mourn the death of Brooke's mother Ongoing prayers for Jo & John and their family mourning the loss of Jo's brother, Wilson, who died suddenly this week Continuing prayers for Elizabeth D For all those who grieve For the family of Mary B For nephew Paul W Kate's friend, Tara and family Ron B as he attends his father's memorial service on Jan 13 in Texas Family and friends of John D as the mourn his niece, Kerry For Joanne M and all of her family as she enters hospice care

Work & Life

Insook in her move to a new home Amy and husband in support of their older son

Courtenev C

For all of us to be healthy and safe as we embark in this new year to live our best lives, extending SPSA's mission, and keeping Christ's covenant.

Continued prayers for Mary and John

and the whole UNLV community and Las Vegas as they come back to work in-person on campus in the New Year and find new ways of being together For Will, wife Rebecca, and their kids Vida, Desi, and baby on-the-way, as they live "across the pond" from each other for several weeks until their new baby comes

For Benz and her work at the border

Peace & Justice

For people suffering from war and tragedy in the Middle East, Ukraine and Japan

Prayers for refugees here and around the world

For a humane policy for the migrants in our city

For an immediate ceasefire in Gaza and in the Middle East

An end to ethnic cleansing and genocide anywhere it is happening For the end of violence and suffering in the Israel and Palestine; and all those around the world feeling hopeless as to how to end the carnage.

The U.N., their shelters, and all of the doctors providing care in Israel and Gaza

Peace and understanding in the U.S. among people of all faiths.

Intentional prayers that we may all be able to look through other lens in time of strife and war.

Gaza, Israel, Ukraine, Afghanistan, all suffering places around world For an end to violence in our city



Prayer requests

Scan this QR code to share your joys and concerns, or write them on the back of a Connection Card available at the Welcome Tables. Each week, our staff prays for our community and invites prayers from all. If you do not wish for your prayer to shared with the church community, please indicate your desire with your prayer.

Epiphany/Baptism of Jesus Worship



Advocating Compassion for Asylum-Seeking Families



WSCAH Warehouse Ribbon Cutting













West Side Campaign Against Hunger's 180th Warehouse and Distribution Hub celebrated its opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony on Wednesday. The warehouse vastly increases the storage capacity and operational efficiencies to support the Distribution Center at the church and other sites throughout the city.

Homework Help & English Conversation Groups













Who's Who

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Putting Love in Action

Liberating the New York Annual Conference

Town Hall (Wed. Jan 17 at 7pm on Zoom) In honor of the 95th birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., we are scheduling a Town Hall for the New York Annual Conference. We, the people of the NYAC, are committed to continue the work of anti-racism in this conference. At this gathering, we will reflect on the legacy of Dr. King by sharing updates on the independent anti-racism task force and by joining in small group discussions about how we have seen racism show up in our church and how we feel called to be anti-racist within our lives and the life of the church. Meeting ID: 96240043117

Winter Bible Study (Thu. Jan 18, 25, Feb 1 at 6:30pm) with K on Zoom.

Meeting ID 87622803411

Passcode: 667311

Souls & Solidarity is a community-building and learning program offered once a quarter to provide consistent space and time to gather and grow into being a place of spiritual activism and liberative gathering, grounded in an anti-racist foundation. This session is timed to coincide with the time in our nation and church when we remember the life and legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. We'll draw from his work in addition to our guiding text, Liberating Church, as we lift up the principle and value of "sacred attention." If you're not in a Connect & Care group and want to participate, there will be a zoom session led by Karen and Lea on Tuesday, 1/16th at 6pm. Meeting ID: 83331912111

Membership Class Our next New Members Class will take place on Sunday, Jan. 21st at 12:30pm. It's a great way for you to get to know St. Paul & St. Andrew and for us to get to know you better. Bring your questions and curiosities and wonderings!

New members will be received the following Sunday, on January 28th during worship service at 11 am. Please RSVP to Pastor Lea*

Ongoing Programs

Chancel Choir meets each Sunday at 10am. See Frank for details.

Campus Ministry meets each Monday at 7pm at Broadway Presbyterian (W114th). Email Ekama* for additional details.

Pajama Prayers our Tuesday prayer gathering on Zoom at 7:30am. Come as you are with whatever is on your heart. Meeting ID: 831 7700 2923 Phone: 646-931-3860

Pilates with Nancy an hour-long strengthening and stretching class on Zoom, Thursdays at 6pm. Email Brent* for details.

Kids & Families Our next Faith & Fun Fridays will be Jan 19. Email Pastor Andrea* for details on upcoming gatherings.

Youth Group Email Pastor Ekama* for details on upcoming gatherings.

Young Adults Email Pastor Andrea* for details on upcoming gatherings.

Volunteer Opportunities

Assisting Our New Neighbors Sign up to help with Miracle Monday via Lotsa Helping Hands (tinyurl.com/4et6b662).

Accepting clothing next Sunday (Jan. 21)

Homework Help Tutoring Wednesday evenings (6-7pm). We are working with many new arrivals, and we could use your help. Please see Charlene (charlenefloyd@aol.com)

West Side Campaign Against Hunger (WSCAH) emergency food pantry based at the church is looking for volunteers. Sign-up through New York Cares or email volunteer@wscah.org. Contributions can be made at www.wscah.org/donate

Other Good Stuff in the Building

Carnegie Hall Citywide

- Feb 25 (Sun) at 4pm: Joseph Parrish, bassbaritone & Shawn Chang, piano
- Mar 8 (Fri) at 7pm): Meghan Kasanders, soprano & Dror Baitel, piano



Gifts & Offerings

If you would like to make a contribution, visit stpaulandstandrew.org/give, scan the QR code, or text the amount of your donation to 646-971-9400. Gifts can also be placed in the donation boxes at the Welcome Tables.

Please consider a special gift today for Human Relations Day, one of the UMC's special Sunday's. HMD supports programming that changes lives through social justice ministries and outreach. Select "Give to 4. Human Relations Day" from the dropdown menu online.