



**COMMUNITY UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**  
*REACH, GROW, SEND WITH GOD'S LOVE*

**April 1, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.**

*Prayers for all of us during this time we are physically separated one from another.*

**Welcome and Announcements** Pastor Riva

**Silent Meditation** *(Let us all be in silent meditation as the candles are lit)*

**Prelude** *“Panis Angelicus (Bread of Heaven)”* César Franck  
Dan Ritter, Sharon Ruhnke

**Opening Meditation** Pastor Nancy

We are Jesus’ disciples, following him even as he moves toward the threat of crucifixion. Even as he wraps a towel around his waist. Even as he kneels to wash the filth from the feet of his friends. We are Jesus’ disciples, longing to be faithful even as the night grows dark. Even as betrayers loom. Even as the powers that oppose the way of Christ press in around us. We are Jesus’ disciples, struggling to love others even as Jesus loved us. We are Jesus’ disciples, gathered here to worship God: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer. Amen.

**Opening Music** *“There Is a Redeemer”* Melody Green/ arr. Tom Fettke  
Sharon Ruhnke

**Scripture** John 13:1-17, 31b-35 (NRSV) Pastor Nancy  
**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

**Meditation/Communion** Pastor Riva

**Virtual Feet/Hand Washing**  
Music background: *Were You There (When They Crucified My Lord)* Spiritual/arr. Cindy Berry  
Sharon Ruhnke

**Closing Music** *“Lamb of God”* Twila Paris/arr. Gary Rhodes  
Women’s Quintet

**Closing Prayer/The Lord’s Prayer/Benediction** Pastor Riva

**Silent Video/Image for reflection**

**Worship Participants**

Sharon Ruhnke

**Women’s Quintet:** Naomi Jones, Joanie Anderson, Kari Trench,  
Stacy Johnson, Aza Donnelly

**Worship Team**

**Lead Pastor:** Pastor Riva Tabelisma

**Teaching Elder:** Rev. Dr. Nancy Victorin-Vangerud

**Music:** Dan Ritter

**Audio & Video Recording:** James Bordewick/Les Johnson

**Video Editing:** James Bordewick/Riva Tabelisma



## **Our Vision**

*We are an urban, intergenerational, inclusive, and welcoming Christian fellowship woven into the fabric of our community.*

## **Community UMC's Statement of Reconciliation:**

Community United Methodist Church of Columbia Heights believes that we are all children of God, individuals of sacred worth, created in God's image with our many differences, and that God loves all people. We recognize that God's love is not limited by boundaries. Therefore, we welcome and affirm people of all ages, races, ethnicities, cultures, gender identities, sexual orientations, socio-economic statuses, physical capabilities, or mental abilities.

We believe that prejudice, hatred, or discrimination directed toward any individual or group is contrary to the life, spirit, and teaching of Jesus Christ. We have vowed to accept the freedom and power God gives us to resist evil, injustice, and oppression. Therefore, we shall work to eliminate prejudice and discriminatory practices within ourselves and our community, and to show God's grace.

We proclaim ourselves a Reconciling Congregation and welcome all who seek a relationship with God.

*Adopted November 3, 2019*

## **Our Staff**

Lead Pastor	Pastor Riva Tabelisma
Teaching Pastor	Rev. Nancy Victorin-Vangerud
Ministers	All the Congregation
Office Manager	Martha Bentley
Music Director	Dan Ritter
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