

**January 16, 2022**  
**Sanctuary Worship, 11:00AM**

Welcome to worship today!

Please remember to follow the directions of our ushers and wear appropriate facemasks at all times inside the building.



A **spiritual gift** is **given** to each of us so **we** can **help** each other.

**Prelude**

*We invite you to enjoy the prelude as a time of quiet reflection, and to individually prepare your hearts for the worship of God.*

**Call to Worship**

Leader: So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near;

**People: for through him all of us have access in one Spirit to the Father.**

**Prayer**

**Lord God in heaven, today we gather as your people to worship you in spirit and truth. We celebrate your life in us and celebrate your body, the church. Help us to reflect your love for us with the love we have for each other. It is with great joy that we come before you today, joined by your Spirit. Thank you for your love and mercy shown to us. Thank you that we can comfort another with the same love and mercy that has comforted us. Praise be to you, our shepherd. We are your people, the sheep of your pasture. Help us today to understand more fully how you have made us to live together and serve each other. Help us to understand your plan for your body and to give you praise. Amen.**

**Hymn – *Christ, from Whom All Blessings Flow***

Christ, from whom all blessings flow, perfecting the saints below,  
hear us, who thy nature share, who thy mystic body are.

Join us, in one spirit join, let us still receive of thine;  
still for more on thee we call, thou who fillest all in all.

Move and actuate and guide, diverse gifts to each divide;  
placed according to thy will, let us all our work fulfill.

Never from thy service move, needful to each other prove;  
use the grace on each bestowed, tempered by the art of God.

Many are we now, and one, we who Jesus have put on;  
there is neither bond nor free, male or female, Lord, in thee.

Love, like death, hath all destroyed, rendered all distinctions void;  
Names and sects and parties fall; thou, O Christ, art all in all!

UMH 550. Charles Wesley, adapt. from Orlando Gibbons.

### Prayer Time & Lord's Prayer

*(To share your joys and concerns, please text them to Elias at 252-578-1090.)*

**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.**

### Choir Anthem – *Each One Has a Gift*

*(Refrain: Choir sings first time, and congregation is invited to sing along after each verse.)*

The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef, with a key signature of two sharps (D major) and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are: "Each one has a gift, a gift of the Ho-ly Spir-it; We each have a gift to use for the good of all. Each one has a gift, a gift of the Ho-ly Spir-it, And it is the same Spir-it who gives them all." The melody is simple and repetitive, with a clear refrain structure.

Some have the gift of knowledge, and some have the gift of wisdom,  
and some have the gift of faith – all these are the Spirit's gifts.  
Some have the gift of teaching, and some have the gift of preaching,  
And some have the gift of music – these, too, are the Spirit's gifts.  
*(Refrain)*

Some have the gift of healing, and some have the gift of listening,  
and some love with understanding – all these are the Spirit's gifts.

Some see with clear discernment, and some speak the truth with boldness,  
And some share good news of God – thee, too, are the Spirit’s gifts.

*(Refrain)*

Some plan our work with wisdom, and some make us all feel welcome,  
And some bless us all with humor – all these are the Spirit’s gifts.  
Some show God’s love by giving, and some show God’s love by helping,  
And some show God’s love by patience – these, too, are the Spirit’s gifts.

*(Refrain)*

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### **Scripture Lesson – 1 Corinthians**

Brothers and sisters, I don’t want you to be ignorant about spiritual gifts. You know that when you were Gentiles you were often misled by false gods that can’t even speak. So I want to make it clear to you that no one says, “Jesus is cursed!” when speaking by God’s Spirit, and no one can say, “Jesus is Lord,” except by the Holy Spirit. There are different spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; and there are different ministries and the same Lord; and there are different activities but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. A demonstration of the Spirit is given to each person for the common good. A word of wisdom is given by the Spirit to one person, a word of knowledge to another according to the same Spirit, faith to still another by the same Spirit, gifts of healing to another in the one Spirit, performance of miracles to another, prophecy to another, the ability to tell spirits apart to another, different kinds of tongues to another, and the interpretation of the tongues to another. All these things are produced by the one and same Spirit who gives what he wants to each person.

### **Message – The Power of One, Part 1**

#### **Hymn – *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling***

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down;  
fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown!  
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast!  
Let us all in thee inherit; let us find that second rest.  
Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be;  
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return and never, nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above;  
pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be.  
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee;  
changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

UMH 550. Charles Wesley, John Zundel.

**Blessing & Sending Out**  
**Forward to Share Our Offerings**  
**Outside to Share Peace and On to Serve the Lord**

***What to know this week ...***

*On Monday, January 17, our entire church staff has been encouraged to participate in a day of service, and we invite the membership of the church to do the same! There are many opportunities to serve; please refer to the weekly email or [www.activategood.com](http://www.activategood.com) for some options.*

*Life Line screening will be at St. James on Saturday, January 29 by appointment. For information about Life Line screenings available and to make an appointment, please visit <https://lisa.social/HSC>.*

*At the Administrative Council meeting on Sunday, the Council reviewed and discussed the proposal which was shared with the church last week, as well as the congregational responses received. After lengthy conversation, desiring to make worship and discipleship easily available to all, the Council adopted the following schedule which will begin on **February 6:***

*9:15AM Common Thread, Parking Lot and Patio worship*

*10:15AM Discipleship*

*11:00AM Sanctuary Worship*

*St. James UMC is happy to announce the return of our sign-up for weekly altar flowers – now digitally! You may sign up on any 2022 date to provide live, fresh flowers on the sanctuary altar for the Sunday Sanctuary Worship service. Please visit [www.signupgenius.com/go/5080e48a4aa2da2F85-2022](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080e48a4aa2da2F85-2022) for more details and to sign up for your special date. If you need assistance signing up online, contact Martha in the church office during regular office hours.*

*Food pantry needs this week: hearty soups, cereal, pasta sauce (in cans or plastic jars). Thanks for your continued support!*