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Location: 18700 SW 248th Street Homestead, FL 33031

February 16, 2025 OUR VISION STATEMENT:

We will be Christ's presence in our community, building relationships

OUR BIBLICAL PURPOSE:

"To be a faithful community of devoted servants who will share Christ's love and example."

MUSIC: Felicia Fina; LAY LEADER: Phil Formel

GREETERS: Charles Alderson, Santiago Garcia
LITURGISTS: Jan Burlison, Tom Settle, Yanira Bonilla
USHERS: Charles Alderson, Robert Kelly, Tom Settle,

Jim Rumohr

ACOLYTES: Chloe Junco, Jim Rumohr

Bishop: Rev. Tom Berlin

District Superintendent: Rev. Dr. Simon Osunlana

Pastor: Nelson Bonilla

For emergency pastoral care or needs please contact: if you would like prayer, a visit, to receive the Sacraments of Holy Communion or baptism, information on joining the church or other needs.

Pastor Nelson Bonilla – Phone: 386-631-6193 email:

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Regular Office Hours – Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9am-1pm or by appointment or the following members: **Santiago Garcia, Administrative**

Council Chair, 305-608-1184

Redland Community United Methodist Church

Beloved, let us love one another, for **love is from God**, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God.

1 John 4:7

Front

February 16, 2025 Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany Liturgist: Jan Burlison

WELCOME GUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES)

PRELUDE (acolyte brings light into the gathering place) Felicia Fina, Pianist

Opening Prayer

Heavenly Father, as we gather today, we open our hearts to the boundless love you pour upon us. May your grace fill our souls, enabling us to love one another with compassion, kindness and forgiveness, reflecting the very essence of your love in all our interactions. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Beloved, let us love one another. **People: We love because God first loved us.**Leader: There is no greater love than this:

People: to lay down one's life for one's friends. Leader: This is the new commandment in Christ:

People: As Jesus loves us, so let us love one another.

*HYMN OF PRAISE "O How I Love Jesus" #170(UMH)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Affirmation from Romans 8:35, 37-39 #887 (UMH)

GREETING ONE ANOTHER:

#557(UMH)

As the body of Christ in the world, let us share his love and peace with one another.

C: (Congregation) "Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above."

JOYS AND CONCERNS (We lift up concerns & thanksgivings)

PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER The Lord's Prayer

HYMN OF PREPARATION "How Can We Name a Love" #111(UMH)

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING 1 JOHN 4:7-17 (N.T)

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "NOTES FROM GOD."

HYMN OF INVITATION "I Stand Amazed in the Presence" #371(UMH) (1,2,4,5)

OFFERTORY Special Music (Offering plate in center aisle) PIANIST

*OFFERTORY PRAISE: (Doxology) #95 (UMH)

*HYMN OF SENDING "God Be With You, Till We Meet Again" #672 (UMH)

(First Verse)

*BENEDICTION

SUNG RESPONSE "A-men, a-men, a - men." #898 (UMH)

*Please stand as you are able Join us in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments following the service!

Please remember the Joys and Concerns in your daily prayer.

"The LORD'S loving kindnesses indeed never cease, For His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness."

Lamentations 3:22-23

JOYS: All the laity of our church and how much they do in serving God and others. Thanks to God for answered Prayers. Our many blessings. Good doctors. Health Care Specialists. Caregivers. God's goodness. Church friends as helpers. The gift of life. The blessing of children. Grateful for our Church leadership. Gift of the Holy Spirit. Families worship together. Each of our talents and gifts. Our congregation.

CONCERNS: Prayers for our country. Prayers for our denomination, local churches, pastors, and leaders. People affected by fires in California. Prayers for Jim and Lucy's son, Luis and his family. Lucy's mom, Gladys. Prayers for the people of Cuba. Prayers for the people of Gaza. Prayers for our country. For all missionaries around the word. Prayers for people struggling with mental health. All victims and their families of tragic violent shootings. Immigrants seeking asylum. All victims of terrorism and natural disasters. Those in Hospice Care, and those suffering from cancer. Prayers for single moms. All who are grieving the loss of a loved one. For World leaders to make good decisions that lead to peace. Ed & Karen's son Brian. Pray for people experiencing homelessness.

Healing prayers for: Healing prayers for Phil and Brian. Praying for Lily and her family as she undergoes chemotherapy for her leukemia. May they find strength, peace, and healing during this challenging time. Felicia's sister. Santiago's health. Phil's brothers Mike and Shaun. May's brother David. Lucy's brother-in-Law Mike. Jina May. Francis Mora. Harriet Morris. Jim's brother, sister and brother-in-law (Terry Rumohr, Sharon, Mike). Rob's mom, Judy. Gus's sister, Theresa. Jose Fernandez. Valentina, needing a bone marrow transplant. Dottie. Lucy's friend Bryan. Jan's friend Andrea was diagnosed with cancer. Carol Horeb. Jan's mom. Sandi Settle, continued healing

<u>CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS –</u> Sunday, February 16, 2025

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sunday: 9:00 am -Worship Service

Fellowship Coffee after service

Tuesday: 10:00 am -Prayer and Share in the multi-purpose room.

Friday: 11:00 am - Bible Study

5:00pm- Fellowship Dinner: First Sunday of every

month

(BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES) HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL BORN IN FEBRUARY!

FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES:

GAME NIGHT: Friday, Feb 21st starting at 4pm

MARCH ACTIVITIES:

DRIVE-TRU ASHES: Wednesday, March 5, 4:30-6:00PM

MOVIE NIGHT: Friday, March 14 at 5pm

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: Tuesday, March 18 at 4PM

UPPER ROOM: Daily devotional now available in the Narthex.

Prayers for healing of the World- Join us daily at 12:00pm.

"Tree of Life" – Leaves and other features are available to dedicate or memorialize special individuals in your life. Flyers are available in the narthex.

AC: If you wish to donate to this project, please mark your special donations as "AC offering."

NOTE: Pastor Nelson can be reached at (386) 631-6193

* AFFIRMATION FROM ROMANS 8:35, 8:37-39 (The United Methodist Hymnal, #887)

Leader: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?

Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine or nakedness or

peril or sword?

People: No!

In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who

loved us.

We are sure that neither death nor life,

Nor angels, nor principalities,

Nor things present, nor things to come,

Nor powers, nor height, nor depth,

Nor anything else in all creation,

Will be able to separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ

our Lord.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

1 JOHN 4:7-17

God is love

7 Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who is born of God and knows God.

8 Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love.

9 God's love was revealed among us in this way; God send his only Son into the world so that we might live through him.

10 In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

11 Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another.

12 No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abide in us, and his love is perfected in us.

13 By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he was given us of his Spirit.

14 And we have seen and do testify that the Father had sent his Son as the Savior of the world.

15 God abide in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God.

16 So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.

17 Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world.