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## **SERMON NOTES**

# **CHURCH OF THE SAVIOUR**

*United Methodist*

*Bringing New Life to Greater Heights*



**February 16, 2020**

**11:00 a.m., Sanctuary**

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**

Rev. Andy Call, Lead Pastor  
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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

SANCTUARY

11:00 a.m.

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## OPENING TO GOD

PRELUDE

Two Spirituals:  
*Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen* arr. George Blake  
*Balm in Gilead* arr. Robert J. Hughes

WELCOME

The Rev. Andy Call

CHORAL INTROIT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Dick Meadows

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\*HYMN OF PRAISE

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* (insert) Hyfrydol

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Amanda Moseng

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>1</sup>

**Holy God,  
your law shows the way of righteousness,  
but we forsake your commandments.  
We have not provided for the poor  
or aided the disabled.  
We have not been truthful in our daily business;  
we have been unjust in our judgment of others.  
We have sought vengeance against our enemies;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
Forgive us our sins  
and rouse us to sincere repentance.  
By the power of your Holy Spirit,  
free us to live as your holy people  
with Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

*(Silence is kept.)*

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Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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\*PASSING OF THE PEACE (Share signs of reconciliation with each other.)

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

*Maya's Prayer for Peace*  
Chancel Choir; Bernadette Chappell, Signer

Tom Trenney

\*THE GOSPEL LESSON

*Matthew 5:43-48* (NRSV)

Mr. Meadows

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THE MESSAGE

"Perfection"

Rev. Call

## OFFERING OUR LIVES IN DISCIPLESHIP

HYMN OF REFLECTION #417

*O For a Heart to Praise My God*

Richmond

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (#895)

Rev. Moseng

MOMENT FOR MISSIONS

Nolan Holland

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Rev. Call

*Please participate in the ministry of hospitality by recording your attendance in the  
Friendship Pads located at the center aisle of each pew.*

Offertory

*My Life Is In Your Hands*

Kirk Franklin

Gospel Choir

\*The Doxology (#95) & Prayer of Dedication

\*HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP #550

*Christ, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Canterbury

\*BENEDICTION & CHORAL RESPONSE

\*POSTLUDE

*Sing Praise to God*

Edward Broughton

\*The people may stand.

*Acolytes: Anna Rose, Marie York*

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Good News

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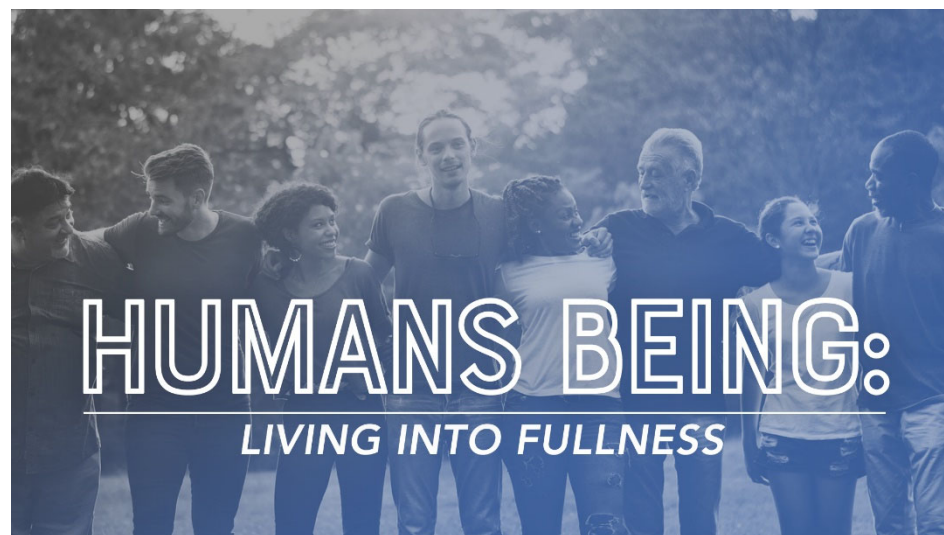
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9:30 AM | Great Hall



MESSAGE  
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*Matthew 5:43-48 (NRSV)*  
Rev. Andy Call

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Be sure to stop in the Parlor to view the photo exhibit from award-winning **photographer Stephen Bivens**. The show will be displayed through March 1.

Join us today at 3 p.m. in the Great Hall to experience **worship in the tradition of the African American Church**, including the COTS Gospel Choir and groups from churches around the greater Cleveland area.

**Youth Sunday** - Come to worship next Sunday, February 23 to support our Junior and Senior Youth, who will be leading all three worship services.

**Ash Wednesday** services will be held on February 26 at noon in the Chapel and 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. This worship experience that marks the beginning of the Christian season of Lent is a time to explore the fragility of life, the inevitability of death, and our constant need of God's grace. We will receive ashes in the shape of a cross on our foreheads or hands and celebrate Holy Communion. Worship will include music in the style of Taizé.

**Lenten Midday Prayer & Eucharist:** Sometimes we arrive at the middle of our week and need centering. Join us on Wednesdays, March 4 - April 8, at 12:05 p.m. in Myers Chapel for prayer, music, and the Eucharist. The service will last about 25-30 minutes.

**Soul Shop: A Workshop for Congregations** - Have you wondered how to build faith communities able to engage in safe conversations about suicide? Former member, Rev. Robin Craig, leads this workshop for congregational members and volunteers of ALL ages, staff, ministry teams and leaders on Sat., March 7 from 9 a.m. - noon at Church of the Saviour. Pastor Robin has done mental health advocacy work at national and state levels and has been trained in ASIST (Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training). Register in the church office or on our website by March 5.

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Chaz Cotton, Creative Director | Jill Phillips, Worship  
Leader | Graham Rosen, Production Team Leader

**Thursday Night Fellowship Dinner** (6:15 - 6:45 p.m. in Calvary Hall) - Join your fellow COTS members and friends for a Community Dinner on Thursdays. Delicious catered food will be available for a \$5 at-will/able offering. Contact Laura Moseley, Director of Children's Ministries at [lmoseley@cotsumc.org](mailto:lmoseley@cotsumc.org) for information on how to donate and to RSVP.

Mark your calendars:

- Sunday, March 8: **Discover COTS** (brief, informal meet-and-greet for those interested in church membership) at 10:30 a.m. in the back of the Great Hall and at noon in Room 100.
- Tuesday, March 10: **UMW Fellowship & Hands-On Mission Work Day**, anytime from 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. in Calvary Hall.

**SMALL GROUP STUDIES**

**"Life of the Beloved: Spiritual Living in a Secular World"** by Henri Nouwen will be the all-church Lenten study book. Beginning February 26, Sunday School classes and Bible study groups are encouraged to study this book. Pastor Amanda Moseng will lead two studies on this book - beginning March 4 on Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. and during the Thursday evening Women's Bible Study at 5:30 p.m. Books can be purchased in the Parlor for \$5.

Please join Rev. Gregory Kendrick, Jr. and Rev. Lois Annich in Room 100 on Thursday evenings, Feb. 27 - April 2, from 6:45 - 8:15 p.m. for conversations based on Austin Channing Brown's book, **"I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness."** Deepening our awareness of the impact of racism on our common life and learning new ways of interacting with one another is part of our commitment "to act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with our God." The first meeting will be an introduction to the themes in the book, so people need not have read it. We will have books to distribute at that session for \$17 each. Sign up at

the Group Life table in the Parlor after services or RSVP through the church office.

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**WORSHIP SERVICES**

**Sunday, February 23 - YOUTH SUNDAY**

8:30 Myers Chapel, 9:30 Great Hall, 11:00  
Sanctuary

*Matthew 6:14-15; 7:1-5*

**Sermon Notes**

Worship Participants: Bob Rosneck, Terry & Joan Angle