

**Sunday, March 26, 2017**

*Worship Coordinator*

*Sound Engineer*

*Hospitality*

**Sunday • 10:00 am**

*Renée*

*Toka*

*Rosalee*

Welcome

Lisa

A Moment to Feel God's Presence

Opening Prayer

Priscilla

Praise & Worship

Praise Reports and Prayer Requests

Lisa

Community/Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Marilyn Bowens

Announcements

Toddie

Passing of the Peace

Collection of Tithes & Offerings

Deacon Marcus

Offertory: \*

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands,**

**We lift our lives up to You, We are an offering.**

**Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands**

**Lord use our lives, they are Yours. We are an offering.**

**All that we have, all that we are, All that we hope to be**

**We give to You, we give to You.**

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands**

**We lift our lives up to You.**

**We are an offering, we are an offering.**

Scripture Reading

Renée

Song of Preparation

Sermon

Rev. Marilyn Bowens

Holy Communion

*At Imani MCC, and at MCCs throughout the world, we serve an open communion. Everyone is welcome at the Table of God.*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and our greatest joy ...

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices ...

**Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord, God of power and might!**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory!**

**Hosanna in the highest!**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest!**

The Mystery of Faith:

**Christ has died. Christ has risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

The Consecration (Blessing of the Elements)

Invitation to the Table

Distribution of the Elements

Jaye, acolyte

*We use a small wafer & grape juice.*

*Please respect those around you and engage in silent meditation.*

*-- Thank You --*

If you would like someone to pray with you following the service, please let your server know at the time of communion.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Annie Ross

Closing Blessing \*

"We now go forth in faith with this intention:

- To **Worship** wherever we are
- By being **God's Word** made flesh,
- Living the **Oneness** that we are,
- Celebrating **Wonder** everywhere,
- And bearing **Witness** through love.

And so it is. And so it shall be. Amen. "

Parting Song \*

"I Need You to Survive"

*Program Subject to Change*

\* Please rise as you are able.

**"Higher Ground"**

I'm pressing on the upward way,  
New heights I'm gaining every day;  
Still praying as I onward bound,  
"Lord, plant my feet on higher ground."

Refrain: Lord, lift me up, and let me stand  
By faith on Canaan's tableland;  
A higher plane than I have found,  
Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.

My heart has no desire to stay  
Where doubts arise and fears dismay;  
Though some may dwell where these abound,  
My prayer, my aim, is higher ground.

I want to live above the world,  
Though Satan's darts at me are hurled;  
For faith has caught the joyful sound,  
The song of saints on higher ground.

I want to scale the utmost height  
And catch a gleam of glory bright;  
But still I'll pray till rest I've found,  
"Lord, lead me on to higher ground."

"I Need You to Survive" .....Parting Song

I need you, you need me, we're all a part of God's body.  
 Stand with me, agree with me, we're all a part of God's body.  
 It is his will that every need be supplied.  
 You are important to me. I need you to survive.  
 You are important to me. I need you to survive.

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### Sermon Notes

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#### WEEKLY EVENTS

- Wednesday: 7:00pm-8:15pm – Bible Study
- Thursday: 1:00pm-5:00 pm – Open Office Hours
- Thursday: 6:30pm-8:30pm - Voices of Imani rehearsal

Let's remember to "keep first things first" this week!

*"Do not worry then, saying, 'What will we eat?' or  
 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear for clothing?'  
 But seek first [God's] kingdom and [God's] righteousness, and all  
 these things will be added to you."  
 Matthew 6:31, 33 (NASB)*

	Attendance	Worship Offering	PayPal Giving	Total Offering
Mar 19 2017	42	\$351.00	\$159.00	\$510.00
<b>Total Offering Needed Weekly in 2017</b>				<b>\$892.70</b>
<b>Remaining Offering Needed in March 2017</b>				<b>\$2,769.50</b>

*"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for,  
 the evidence of things not seen." - Hebrews 11:1 (KJV)*

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*Focusing Our Faith.*



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**worship, word, oneness, wonder and witness.**

**Imani, a church where, through faith, all can experience and express God's irresistible love through**

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 of things hoped for, the evidence  
 of things not seen." - Hebrews 11:1**



## Imani MCC

*Fourth Sunday in Lent  
 March 26 2017  
 10:00 am*

*Imani MCC Ministry Center*

**WE WELCOME YOU TO IMANI MCC.  
 YOU MAY BE NEW TO US, BUT  
 YOU ARE KNOWN AND LOVED BY GOD.**