

**Sunday, April 2, 2017**

*Worship Coordinator*

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**Sunday • 10:00 am**

*Renée Knight-Tate*

Welcome

A Moment to Feel God's Presence

Opening Prayer

Praise & Worship

Praise Reports and Prayer Requests

Community/Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Annie Ross

Announcements

Passing of the Peace

Collection of Tithes & Offerings

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

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 Vaughn, 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.

**"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"**

All our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry

Everything to God in prayer!

O what peace we often forfeit,

O what needless pain we bear,

All because we do not carry

Everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?

Is there trouble anywhere?

We should never be discouraged,

Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful

Who will all our sorrows share?

Jesus knows our every weakness,

Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden,

Cumbered with a load of care?

Precious Savior, still our refuge—

Take it to the Lord in prayer;

Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?

Take it to the Lord in prayer;

In His arms He'll take and shield thee,

Thou wilt find a solace there.

"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 26 2017	26	\$602.00	\$120.00	\$722.00
<b>Total Offering Needed Weekly in 2017</b>				<b>\$892.70</b>
Offering Still Needed for March 2017				\$2,047.50

*"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**

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



## Imani MCC

*Fifth Sunday in Lent  
 April 2 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.**