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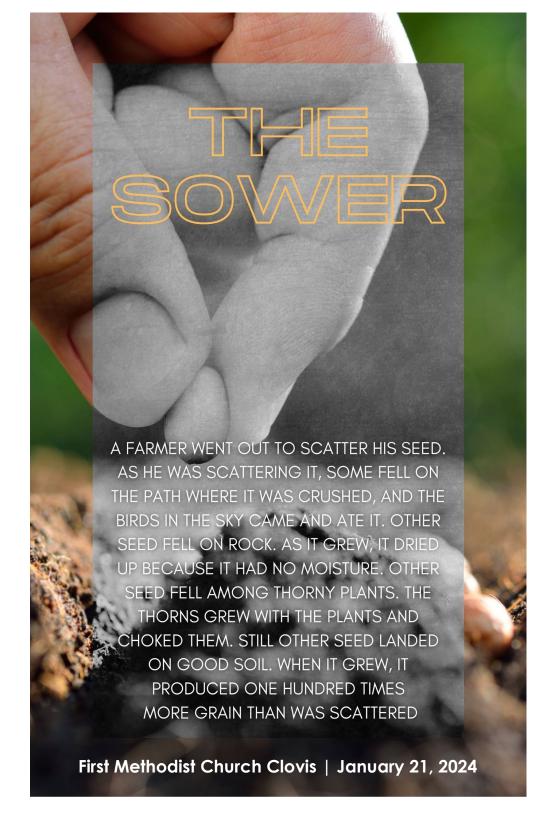A GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH COMMUNITY

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THE SOWER

A FARMER WENT OUT TO SCATTER HIS SEED. AS HE WAS SCATTERING IT, SOME FELL ON THE PATH WHERE IT WAS CRUSHED, AND THE BIRDS IN THE SKY CAME AND ATE IT. OTHER SEED FELL ON ROCK. AS IT GREW, IT DRIED UP BECAUSE IT HAD NO MOISTURE. OTHER SEED FELL AMONG THORNY PLANTS. THE THORNS GREW WITH THE PLANTS AND CHOKED THEM. STILL OTHER SEED LANDED ON GOOD SOIL. WHEN IT GREW, IT PRODUCED ONE HUNDRED TIMES MORE GRAIN THAN WAS SCATTERED

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VOLUNTARY   Ferrell Roberts, organ
A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!
Robert A. Hobby

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS   Rev. Jeb Archey

*CALL TO WORSHIP   Jeannette Albin
Leader: O Lord, save us from hardness of heart,
where your word cannot take root.
**People: O Lord, save us from shallowness of mind,
where your word withers away.**
Leader: O Lord, save us from the deceitfulness of riches,
where your word is choked by everyday cares.
**People: But Lord, grant that our hearts may be fertile soil,
where your word flourishes and yields a harvest,
bringing salvation to ourselves and those about us.
Amen.**

*HYMN   Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing   UMH #400

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH   Jeannette Albin
Leader: Where the Spirit of the Lord is, There is the one true
church, apostolic, and universal, whose holy faith let us
now declare:
**All: We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power,
and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose
will is ever directed to his children's good.
We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of Man,
the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our
hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and
death.
We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our
lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of
the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of
need.
We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the
service of love as set forth in our example of our blessed
Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come
upon the earth, Amen.**

*GLORIA PATRI   UMH #70
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME   Rev. Jeb Archey

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER   Rev. Jeb Archey

*HYMN   O Jesus, I Have Promised   UMH #396

*SCRIPTURE   Luke 8:4-15   Rev. Jeb Archey
The Word of God, for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM`   We Sing With Joy   Chancel Choir
Marvin Curtis

SERMON   The Sower: Hardened Hearts   Rev. Jeb Archey

TITHES AND OFFERINGS   Rev. Jeb Archey

OFFERTORY   Ferrell Roberts, organ
Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring
J.S. Bach (BWV 147(/ Janet Linker

*DOXOLOGY   UMH #94
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*HYMN   All Creatures of Our God and King (vs. 1,5,7)   UMH #62

*BENEDICTION   Rev. Jeb Archey

POSTLUDE   Fantasia   Ferrell Roberts, organ
John Stainer

*you are invited to stand as able

**Interested in becoming a member?
Contact Pastor Jeb at jarchey@firstclovis.com
or call the church office for more info.**

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WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS:
Liturgist: Jeannette Albin
Pianist: Alison Brown
Children's Time: Pastor Jeb
Ushers/Greeters: Team 3
Acolyte: Addison Archey,
Leighton Castillo
Sound/Media: MaryNell Urban,
Greg Jennings, Calvin DeWitt,
Melodye Thomas

SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:45—11:30AM
AGES 4 TO ADULT

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preschool. Our nursery is located in
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