

and gifts. May they be used for the work of proclaiming the good news that the kingdom of heaven comes near. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Sending into the World

\*Sending Hymn: *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus* #602

Postlude

\*Please stand in body or in spirit.

*Please join us for the Annual Congregational Meeting and/or fellowship following worship.*

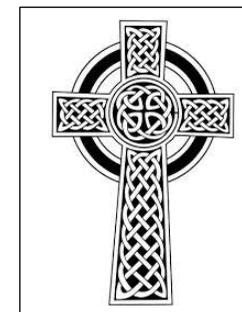
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Announcements:

- Our Annual Congregational Meeting takes place today following worship. All church members are invited to attend.
- Next Sunay, February 1<sup>st</sup>, we will have the installation and ordination of officers.
- Food Pantry Collection for January – Diced tomatoes.
- For February – Fruit – canned or snack packs.
- Bible Study tomorrow night, January 26<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 P.M.
- Sewing Day Thursday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 9:00.

In our thoughts & prayers: Please pray for Sharon Johnson, Jeani Amacher, Vicki Beck and others dealing with cancer; for those dealing with serious health concerns; The Melody Furman family, and others dealing with the loss of loved ones; and all people around the world dealing with loss and devastation.



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**January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

Welcome to Worship  
January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 10:00 A.M.  
Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Gathering Around the Word

Ringing of the Bell

Announcements

Prelude: *I Woke Up This Morning*

Peggy Davidson

Invocation

\*Call to Worship:

Friends of God, today Jesus calls to each of us:  
“Come! Follow me!”

**The kingdom of heaven has come near.**

Some say, “But we are walking in darkness.”

**In Christ, we have seen God’s light.**

**The kingdom of heaven has come near.**

Some say, “But divisions tear us apart.”

**In Christ we are united in mind and purpose.**

**The kingdom of heaven has come near.**

Friends of God, today we gather to worship God and to follow Jesus.

**The kingdom of heaven has come near.**

\*Hymns of Praise: *I Will Call Upon the Lord* #530(2x)  
*Unto Thee, O Lord* #531(2x)  
*Tell Me the Story of Jesus* #295

\*Call to Confession:

\*Prayer of Confession: Jesus, you come into our lives as a light shining in our darkness, and you call us to follow you. We long to seek you. We long to follow you. Sometimes our losses and failures overwhelm us, and we don’t hear your call. Sometimes we are caught up in our disagreements and our desires to prevail, and we don’t hear your call. →

Sometimes we are so busy with our responsibilities and our successes, comfortable in our routines, and we don’t hear your call. Yet, we have seen your great light. We have heard your appeal to come together in mind and purpose. May we, like Peter and Andrew, and James and John, step away from our darkness and our conflicts and our devotion to our set ways. Help us to hear your call, for your kingdom draws near. In Christ’s name, we pray. Amen.

\*Assurance of Pardon

\*Gloria Patri (words on screen)

Children’s Message:

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Hearing the Word

Scriptures: Psalm 27:1,4-9 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 Kelsi Heer

Hymn of Consecration: *Wonderful Words of Life* #406

Gospel Reading: Matthew 4:12-23 Lance Griese

Congregation: “Thanks be to God”

Message: “One God and Father of All” Lance Griese

Giving of our Tithes, and Gifts

Offertory: *Pass It On* Peggy Davidson

\*Response: *O Bless the Gifts* #817

Offering Prayer: Generous God, you have blessed us with your call to follow Jesus. In return, we rejoice as we give our offerings (over) →