



### John 17:3

And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, & Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

### 2 Peter 3:18

<sup>18</sup> But grow in the grace & knowledge of our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now & to the day of eternity. Amen.



### Matthew 28:19-20

<sup>19</sup> Go therefore & make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father & of the Son & of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.

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**Sunday School Attendance: N/A**  
**Worship Attendance: 75**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

We wish a happy birthday this week to Tinzea Upchurch.

Please join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 for Bible studies for all ages. A free meal is provided at 6:00 for all children and youth.

**Sunday January 4th, 2026**



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I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD" and

**you forgave  
the iniquity  
of my sin.**

PSALM 32:5

## Call to Worship

### ***Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly***

## Welcome & Announcements

## Scriptural Call to Worship

### **Psalm 32:1-7**

## Worship through Song

### ***The Lord's Prayer***

### ***There's Something About That Name***

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

## Worship through Giving

### ***King of Kings***

(After the offering, children 5th grade & under are dismissed to children's church)

## Worship through Proclamation

### **Mark 1:14-15**

## Worship through Response

### ***Just a Closer Walk with Thee***

## Benediction

## Scripture Reading

Psalm 32:1-7 (CSB) — 1 How joyful is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered! 2 How joyful is a person whom the Lord does not charge with iniquity and in whose spirit is no deceit! 3 When I kept silent, my bones became brittle from my groaning all day long. 4 For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was drained as in the summer's heat. Selah 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not conceal my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the guilt of my sin. Selah 6 Therefore let everyone who is faithful pray to you immediately. When great floodwaters come, they will not reach him. 7 You are my hiding place; you protect me from trouble. You surround me with joyful shouts of deliverance. Selah

Mark 1:14-15 (CSB) — 14 After John was arrested, Jesus went to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God: 15 "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"

## Sermon Notes

### **What is the kingdom of God?**

- The kingdom of God is the \_\_\_\_\_ and reign of God; it represents his authority to rule and his sovereignty

Psalm 145:11 (NRSV) They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power.

God's reign expresses itself in different \_\_\_\_\_ through salvation history.

- The kingdom of God is the \_\_\_\_\_ realm in which believers now live

Colossians 1:13 (CSB) He has rescued us from the domain of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of the Son he loves.

- The kingdom of God is the \_\_\_\_\_ realm that believers will inherit

Matthew 25:34 (CSB) Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

### **How do we enter the kingdom of God?**

- \_\_\_\_\_: a change of mind that leads to a change in direction

Acts 17:30 (CSB) God now commands all people everywhere to repent.

- \_\_\_\_\_: a trust and consent that leads to commitment and allegiance