

## **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you,  
and we welcome you in Christian love.**

**As members together with you in the body of Christ  
and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church,  
we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church  
by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness,  
that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**



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### **Welcome to St. Matthew's!**

If you are visiting with us this morning we hope you feel welcome and will return to visit soon! Please take a moment to sign the attendance pad found on each pew or you can scan the QR Code to let us know you are here.  
This QR Code can also be used to make a financial contribution.





St. Matthew’s United Methodist Church  
January 18, 2026 10:30 am  
2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Gathering	Danny Lee
Prelude.....	Allen Hart, Pianist
*Call To Worship.....	Sanctuary Choir
	“A Call to Praise” - Hamby
*Cross and the Light of the World	
*Hymn of Praise.....	No. 580
	“Lead On, O King Eternal”
*Affirmation of Faith.....	No. 883
	“A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada”
Morning Prayers	
Celebration of Birth	
Elliot John Burns, newborn son of Brian and Megan Burns	
Call to Prayer.....	No. 393
	“Spirit of the Living God”
Pastoral Prayer	
Lord’s Prayer .....	No. 895
Choral Response.....	Sanctuary Choir
	“Amen” - Franck
Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts	
Offertory .....	Allen Hart, Pianist
*Doxology .....	No. 95
*Offertory Prayer	
Children’s Moment .....	Laura Rivera
Hymn of Preparation.....	No. 451
	“Be Thou My Vision”

New Testament Reading.....	1 Corinthians 1:1-9
Gwen Howard: This is the word of God for the people of God.	
People: Thanks be to God!	
Anthem.....	Sanctuary Choir
	“Draw Me Nearer” - Crosby/Sheets/Rhodes
*Gospel Reading .....	Matthew 5:13-15
Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.	
People: Thanks be to God!	
Message .....	Rev. Andy Stoddard
	“Leaving a Mark”
*Hymn of Commitment .....	No. 591
	“Rescue the Perishing”
*Benediction .....	Rev. Andy Stoddard
*Cross and the Light of the World	
*Choral Response.....	Sanctuary Choir
	“May the Lord Watch Over You” - Shcram
*Postlude.....	Allen Hart, Pianist
	* Please stand as you are able
	The rose bud on the altar is announcing the birth of Elliot John Burns, son of Brian and Megan Burns. Elliot is welcomed by big sister, Karis, and proud grandparents, John and Peggy Fraiser, as well as a host of loving family.
	The Sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Frank Laney from Bill and Martha Roach.