

A black and white photograph of a person walking away from the camera down a narrow, snow-covered path. The path is flanked by bare trees and bushes, and the scene is backlit by a bright light source, creating a long shadow of the person on the path.

THE KIRK of Bonnie Brae

**JANUARY 18, 2026
WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

Order of Worship

January 18, 2026

Prelude	Matthew Kingham
*Gathering Song	<i>"Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary"</i> Sing! #187
Welcome & Announcements	Rev. Selena Wright
*Passing of the Peace	Rev. Wright
God makes peace within us; LET US CLAIM IT. God makes peace between us; LET US SHARE IT. <i>Please take a moment to greet those near you.</i>	
*Hymn of Praise	<i>"We Yearn, O Christ, for Wholeness"</i> NCH 179
Guiding Prayer & Jesus' Prayer	Rev. Wright
Choral Anthem	Kirk Choir
Children's Moment	Rev. Wright
Scripture	<u>John 1:29-42</u> Donna Furman
Message	Riss Kostelnick, MID
Response Hymn	<i>"My Life Flows on in Endless Song"</i> NCH 476
Stewardship Moment	Donna Furman
<i>To donate to the Kirk, there is a plate on the back table. You can also visit the <u>DONATE</u> section of our website or text the amount you wish to give to 833-262-8879.</i>	
Prayer Stations	Rev. Wright
<i>All are welcome to share the bread and the cup and engage in our prayer stations throughout the sanctuary. You can write a specific prayer request that will be read aloud in worship, or click <u>PRAYER REQUESTS</u> to submit a prayer.</i>	
Community Prayers	Rev. Wright
*Closing Song	<i>"I'm On My Way"</i> On Screen
*Benediction	Riss Kostelnick
Postlude	Matthew Kingham

****Please rise in body or in spirit***

QUOTES TO INSPIRE

"They shared an unshakeable belief in beauty, in overflow, in everythingness, the bursting, indelible beauty in a world where there is so much suffering and wounding and pain."

— Elizabeth Alexander

KIRK CALENDAR

Sunday, January 18	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	DIG Worship <i>No Youth Group</i>	Lower Level Sanctuary & YouTube
Monday, January 19		Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day!	
Tuesday, January 20	1:00 p.m.	Conversations With Scripture	Kirk's Office & Zoom
Thursday, January 22	7:00 p.m.	Kirk Choir Practice	Sanctuary
Sunday, January 25	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 12:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	DIG Worship Kirk's Annual Meeting Souper Bowl of Caring! Youth Group	Lower Level Sanctuary & YouTube Lower Level Lower Level Lower Level

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Kirk's Annual Meeting, January 25!

Next Sunday, after worship, we will have our Annual Congregational Meeting. We will approve the 2026 budget, elect officers for the coming year to serve on the Kirk Council, and hear a word from our outgoing and incoming Moderators, as well as from our Pastor on the state of the church. The meeting will be in the Sanctuary, and everyone will be invited to stay afterward to share a meal.

Time for Our Souper Bowl of Sharing!

Our Faithful Adulting Group will host a Soup Cook-off after the Annual Meeting **next Sunday**. They will bring soups, and the congregation gets to vote on the best one with dollars or cans of soup, all to be donated to Metro Caring. Please plan to stay after church to enjoy this fun and important event together. *Tip: Bring a muffin tin for the easiest way to sample all the soups!*

Next Blood Drive at the Kirk

We are hosting this event on Wednesday, January 28, from Noon to 4:00 p.m. in the Narthex. To schedule an appointment, call 303.363.2300. Or you can click [HERE](#) to go straight to the schedule!

Email Action Alerts

During the legislative session, the Kirk emails Action Alerts from our Justice Partners inviting you to send an email, make a phone call or testify on various bills. Those who signed up in previous years remain on the list, unless you ask to make a change. To sign up for these lists, please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex or contact the church office.

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KIRK OF BONNIE BRAE, UCC

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Mission: The Kirk of Bonnie Brae UCC is a progressive church rooted in Christianity and welcoming to spiritual seekers from all backgrounds who are pursuing depth in relationship with God, Earth, and a community through engaged faith and social justice.

OPEN & AFFIRMING STATEMENT

Welcome to the Kirk of Bonnie Brae! We believe that all people are children of God and are created in the image of God. We believe that welcoming all people was and is at the heart of the ministry of Jesus. We find joy in being a diverse community of faith, and welcome everyone to join our spiritual journey. We celebrate people ...

of all ages, races, and ethnicities;
of all gender identities and gender expressions;
of all sexual orientations;
of all faith backgrounds and no faith background;
of all viewpoints on the issues impacting our society;
of differing physical and mental abilities;
who are single, married, divorced, separated, widowed or partnered;
who are well-fed or hungry, sheltered or homeless;
who wonder how a congregation could welcome
all of the above.

We welcome and celebrate you!

TO CONTACT THE CHURCH

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