



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS & EPIPHANY
COMMUNION

JANUARY 4, 2026 | 10:30AM

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

GATHERING THE COMMUNITY

In this church we foster fellowship and relationships. Before the welcome feel free to move around and greet one another.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

In the dark of morning, the stars still shine.

In the depth of winter, the birds still climb.

At the start of the year, tender and new,

God is here. God is near.

Do not rest in your fear.

God is here.

So like the stars and the birds,

Let us worship holy God.

✦ HYMN OF PRAISE

DO YOU HEAR WHAT I HEAR

SHAYNE/REGNEY

✦ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ever-loving God, we long for Christmas to usher in a season of peace and joy. However, we know that is not how the world works. Even just days after Christmas, we find ourselves face to face with fear once again. So today we pray – forgive us when we allow fear to stop us in our tracks. **Forgive us when our own fear prevents us from following your call. Forgive us when fear is louder than love. Show us how to turn our fear into action. Show us how to live like the magi who searched for you in a fearful world. With hope we pray, amen. (We continue to pray in silence.) Amen.**

✦ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

✦ JOYFUL RESPONSE

GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son,
whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit whose love has set me free.**

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

✦ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

We invite you to fill out the fellowship pads with your information so we can be in fellowship with you!

Confession:
Having praised the holiness of God, we must also face the sinful state of the world and of our lives, confessing our unworthiness to enter into God's presence. Nevertheless, we approach God with confidence, trusting in the mercy of Jesus Christ. This turn from communal praise to corporate confession, established on the promise of God's grace, is one of the hallmarks of the Reformed Tradition.

✦ **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**
Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

ISAIAH 60:1-6

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE READING

MATTHEW 2:1-12, 16-18

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

FEAR DOESN'T STOP US

✦ **SERMON HYMN**

WHAT STAR IS THIS, WITH BEAMS SO BRIGHT

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Sermon Notes:

DISCIPLES RESPOND TO THE CALL OF GOD

✦ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

POINTS OF MINISTRY

OFFERTORY

✦ **DOXOLOGY**

✦ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

We invite you to use this time to enter into conversation, and see where Christ's peace is moving in another's life.

Give Joyfully Cards:

We give not only our money, but everything we have to God. Please read our Give Joyfully card in the pew rack. You may place it in the offering plate as a reminder to offer yourself to God this week.

You may give to the church digitally by using your camera to hover over the QR code below which will take you to our online giving page.



COMMUNION AND STAR WORDS

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING & LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

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ACCLAMATION

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

✠SENDING HYMN

AS WITH GLADNESS MEN OF OLD

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✠CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

An Open Table:

Regardless of where you are in your faith, God's grace and Christ's life have been given for you. The Holy Spirit continues to move among us today, and we give thanks for this opportunity for all us to gather at God's table.

Beginning at the back, ushers will invite all to come forward using the center aisle. We will take communion by intinction, which means taking a piece of bread and dipping it in the cup of grape juice. If you are unable to come forward, or prefer a gluten free option, a server will come to you.

Worship Leaders:

Greg Landreth
Rev. A.J. Mealor
Phillip Ashley
Karey Fowler

Next Week's Readings:

Isaiah 42:1-9
Psalm 29
Acts 10:34-43
Matthew 3:13-17

WELCOME VISITORS

A very special welcome to any visitors among us today. We sincerely hope that, when you leave us today, you have an abundant sense of love and welcome. Our pastor, A.J., would love to speak with you and your family if you have any questions about who we are as a family, and what we feel called to do and be in our neighborhood. You can reach him at revmealor@gmail.com. We hope that you have a blessed week and that you'll join us again.

NEWS TO KNOW

SUNDAY, JANUARY 4:

COMMUNION AND EPIPHANY SUNDAY

9:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:30AM WORSHIP SERVICE
(IN PERSON & YOUTUBE)
11:30AM FELLOWSHIP HOUR

MONDAY, JANUARY 5:

2:30PM BUNCO (ZOOM)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7:

6:30PM CHOIR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11:

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

9:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:30AM WORSHIP SERVICE
(IN PERSON & YOUTUBE)
11:30AM FELLOWSHIP HOUR
11:45AM DEACONS MEETING

Livestream is available on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UW3333333333).

PRAYER REQUESTS

CHURCH FAMILY

Wanda Alford	Cecelia Novak	Judy Renwick
Larry Everett	Duane Woods	Dick Buys
Fisher, Audree, & Josh Yaney	Beth Burr	

FRIENDS OF FAMILY

Bob Roller
(Duane Woods)

Randolph McInvale
(Donna & Rodney Weisman)

**Kim McDaniel, Janet Howarth,
and Rosey Jones (friend)**
(Jan Bell)

Dan & Joanne Bohl, Ashley Moore
(Alice & Chuck Saunders)

**Jerre Michelin, Larry Posey, Bruce
Barnes and Ruth Jamieson**
(Rita Schumm)

**Heather Bailey Ray & Lisa and Mrs.
Kristine Joubert**
(Lisa Bigham)

Tim and Aunt Liz Williford
(Cochran & Beth Keating)

Nikita Mac
(Jamie Seidman McDonnell)

Dan Mercer
(Beth & John Mercer)

Charlie Sinclair
(Jane Fletcher)

**Lee Steel, The Jarvis Family,
Mother, Father and Josh Huff**
(Doc Dean)

**Carolyn Parsons,
Calliope Rose and Scott Riley**
(Michele & David Reed)

Cade & Family
(Kristin Morgan)

**Shelia (niece) , Gene (husband),
Amy (daughter)**
(Louise Sadler)

Minnie Lee Vann (mother)
(Gerome Brown)

Gloria Byard
(Joyce Blocker)

Freightlin Cox, Kevin Sattler,
(Elaine Wilbur)

Anna (granddaughter)
(Melanie and Cliff Jordan)

The Family of Jean
(Jo-Ann Schlorholtz)

**Jill Dooley & Family,
Tammy and George, Kim**
(Laura Harrison)

**Barrett Family and
Byrd Lewis Mashburn**
(Karan Newsome)

**MaryAnn King (mother),
Patrice High, and Arlene Riley**
(Diane Bodenhamer)

Lee Stillwell (son-in-law)
(Wanda Alford)

Karen & Joe Rodesta (cousins)
(Rita Sockman)

Phil Ashley (father), Sarah White
(Phillip Ashley)

Chris Beers (neighbor)
(Beth and Cochran Keating)

The Family of Mitch Hall
(Amy Hall)

Carol (sister)
(Elaine Hebenthal)

**All Military & Families,
Robert Gamble &
This Child Here**

If you have a prayer concern or celebration, or are interested in becoming a part of the prayer chain ministry, please call the office at (850) 893-0617 or send an email to fellowshipprayer24@gmail.com.

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THE SESSION

Jan Bell, Cliff Jordan, Melissa Wyllie
Beth Keating, Mike Novak, Joyce Blocker
Shannon Woods, Heather Kidd,
Jamie S. McDonnell
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JoAnn Schlorholtz, Melanie Jordan
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