

Welcome to



January 11, 2026

# Traditional Worship

8:15 am Sanctuary

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## WELCOME

Rev. Jonathan Jonas



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## OPENING PRAYER

## PRELUDE

Kate Wogoman, piano

## \*HYMN No. 605

*Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters*  
BEACH SPRING

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

written by Rev. Kathleen Sheets

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## \*GLORIA PATRI No. 70

*Glory Be to the Father*  
MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

## ANTHEM

*Baptized by Water*  
arr. Dockery  
Morning Glory Chorus; Dr. Dwight Dockery, conductor

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:  
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,  
faithfully now God's praise we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
dead in the tomb with Christ our King:  
one with his rising, freed and forgiven,  
Thankfully now God's praise we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
Marked with the sign of Christ our King:  
born of one Father, we are his children,  
joyfully now God's praise we sing.

**SCRIPTURE READING**

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**SERMON**

Rev. Sarah Slack  
Intentionally Invited to Follow Jesus

**\*REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM**

**\*HYMN No. 396**

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*  
ANGEL'S STORY

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH No. 883**

A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada

We are not alone, we live in God's world.  
We believe in God:  
    who has created and is creating,  
    who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,  
    to reconcile and make new,  
    who works in us and others by the Spirit.  
We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:  
to celebrate God's presence,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.  
In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.  
We are not alone.  
Thanks be to God. Amen.

## **TIME OF PRAYER**

### **OFFERING MOMENT**

### **OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY No. 94**      *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*  
LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures here below.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts.  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts.  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
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### **\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

### **\*THE 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 trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for  
thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.  
Amen.

**\*HYMN No. 604**      *Praise and Thanksgiving Be to God*  
CHRISTE SANCTORUM

### **\*BENEDICTION**

### **\*POSTLUDE**



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## OPENING PRAYER

### BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Tanner Rodgers, acolyte  
Ruth Ann Slack, acolyte

### PRELUDE

Kate Wogoman, piano

### INTROIT

*When Jesus Came to Jordan*  
attr. William Walker

Chancel Choir; Dr. Dwight Dockery, conductor

When Jesus came to Jordan to be baptized by John,  
he did not come for pardon but as the sinless one.  
He came to share repentance with all who mourn their sins,  
to speak the vital sentence with which good news begins.

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### ANTHEM

*Waters of Creation*  
arr. Austin C. Lovelace

Crashing waters at creation ordered by the Spirit's breath,  
first to witness day's beginning from the brightness of night's death.

Parting water stood and trembled as the captives passed on through,  
washing off the chains of bondage channel to a life made new.

Cleansing water once at Jordan closed around the one foretold,  
opened to reveal the glory every new and ever old.

Living water never ending, quench the thirst and flood the soul.  
Wellspring, Source of life eternal, drench our dryness, make us whole.

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Come, Holy Spirit, aid us to keep the vows we make;  
this very day invade us, and every bondage break.  
Come, give our lives direction, the gift we covet most:  
to share the resurrection that leads to Pentecost.

**\*POSTLUDE**



# Contemporary Worship

10:30 am | Asbury Hall

## WELCOME MUSIC

The Band

*Left It In the Water*  
We the Kingdom

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Ralph Jeffers

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## WORSHIP

*I Will Follow*  
Chris Tomlin

*Living Water*  
Anne Wilson

*Sometimes By Step*  
Rich Mullins

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## OFFERING

*Follow*  
Melodie Malone

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## CLOSING WORSHIP

*Lead On Good Shepherd*  
Patrick Mayberry

## BENEDICTION



Wednesdays  
@ 1<sup>st</sup>



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5:00 pm Children's Choirs  
1st Youth Gathering  
5:30 pm Dinner  
6:00 pm Youth Choir  
6:15 pm *Trackers of Truth* - Children's Bible Study  
6:30 pm Celebrate Recovery Worship  
6:45 pm 1st Youth Bible Study  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir  
7:40 pm Celebrate Recovery Share Groups



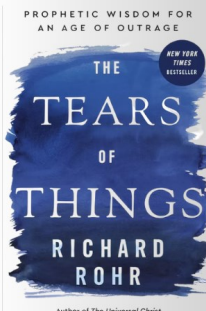
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GRACE  
McCready



**JANUARY 14th**

5:30 Dinner  
6:30 Worship  
7:40 Share Groups



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WELCOME

SHARING MEALS .... SHARING COMMUNITY

TABLE



THURSDAYS

5:00 to 6:00 pm

Free dinner served.  
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