



Welcome to



January 18, 2026

# Traditional Worship

8:15 am Sanctuary

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## WELCOME

Rev. Jonathan Jonas



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### SERMON

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### ANTHEM

*Help Us to Help Each Other*  
arr. Dockery

Morning Glory Chorus; Dr. Dwight Dockery, conductor

Help us to help each other, Lord, each other's load to bear,  
that all may live in true accord, our joys and pains to share.

Help us to build each other up, your strength within us prove.  
Increase our faith, confirm our hope, and fill us with your love.

Drawn by the magnet of your love, we find our hearts made new.  
Nearer each other, let us move, and nearer still to you.

## **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH No. 884**

Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church

We believe in the one God,  
creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations,  
the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh,  
our teacher, example and Redeemer, the Savior of the world.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
God present with us for guidance, for comfort,  
and for strength.

We believe in the forgiveness of sins,  
in the life of love and prayer,  
and in grace equal to every need.

We believe in the Word of God  
contained in the Old and New Testaments  
as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice.

We believe in the church,  
those who are united in the living Lord  
for the purpose of worship and service.

We believe in the reign of God  
as the divine will realized in human society,  
and in the family of God,  
where we are all brothers and sisters.

We believe in the final triumph of righteousness  
and in the life everlasting. Amen.

## **TIME OF PRAYER**

### **OFFERING MOMENT**

### **OFFERTORY**

#### **\*DOXOLOGY**

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And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
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## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:42-47 (NRSV)

**42** They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. **43** Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. **44** All who believed were together and had all things in common; **45** they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. **46** Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, **47** praising God and having the goodwill of all the people.

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**SERMON**

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**ANTHEM**

*We Are the Hands of Christ*  
Joel Raney

No voice to speak his kindness, no eyes to see the pain;  
no heartbeat of compassion, no empathy remains.  
How will they hear the message that Jesus is alive?  
How can they know the truth unless it's through our lives?

Christ has no hands except your own  
to reach the world and make him known.  
His love can change humanity by your touch alone.  
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No truth to scatter darkness, no candle in the night;  
no warm illumination, no justice, no right.

When will we recognize? Open our blinded eyes.  
We are the lighthouse to shine his light!  
Touching the desperate, feeling their pain;  
reaching the hopeless in Jesus' name, in Jesus' name.

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**\*BENEDICTION****\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

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Joined in one spirit to our Head, where he appoints we go,  
and still in Jesus' footsteps tread, and do his work below.

**\*POSTLUDE**

# Contemporary Worship

10:30 am | Asbury Hall

## WELCOME MUSIC

The Band

*The Lion and the Lamb*  
Brenton Brown

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Ralph Jeffers

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## WORSHIP

*People Need People*  
CAIN

*Good Grace*  
Hillsong United

*Every Bone*  
Mountain People Worship

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## OFFERING

*The Church*  
Bethel Music

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Living Faith in Living Community

## CLOSING WORSHIP

*Don't Let the Darkness*  
We the Kingdom

## BENEDICTION



**The Church Office will be closed tomorrow, January 19th in observation of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.**

**HELPING PEOPLE STAY WARM** Please donate items for area warming shelters:

- **NEW PACKAGES OF SOCKS**
- **HAND WARMING PACKETS**
- **NEW KNIT CAPS**
- **NEW GLOVES**

Drop items in the bin at the Porte Cochere (covered drop off area) on **Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> & 27th.**







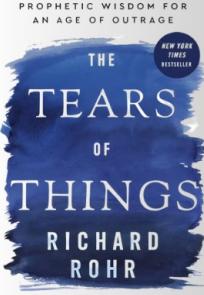
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**LEADERSHIP** *launch*



**MONDAY, JANUARY 26<sup>TH</sup>**  
**6:30 PM IN WESLEY HALL**

**During this first Church Council Meeting of the year we will:**

- celebrate the successes and victories of 2025;
- thank leaders whose terms have ended;
- identify priorities for the year ahead;
- and commission 2026 leaders.

