



Ardmore Moravian Church

January 18, 2026

WATCH WORD FOR THE WEEK:

God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

1 Corinthians 1:9

John 1:29-42

²⁹The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ ³¹I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” ³²And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ ³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One.”

³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” ³⁹He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

ARDMORE MORAVIAN CHURCH
Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 18, 2026

Prelude “Jesus I Will Never Leave” Friedrich Wilhelm Marpurg

Call to Worship

O Lord, our Lord, your greatness is seen in all the world.

We give thanks to you, for you are good; your love is eternal.

We glorify you, majestic Lord.

We praise your holy name.

Songs of Praise

“O Lord, Our lord, How Majestic” BW # 823

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.

O Lord, we praise your name.

O Lord, we magnify your name:

Prince of Peace, mighty God;

O Lord God Almighty.

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.

O Lord, we praise your name.

O Lord, we magnify your name:

Prince of Peace, mighty God;

O Lord God Almighty.

*Chorus: Bless the Lord, oh my soul,
oh my soul, worship his Holy name
Sing like never before,
oh my soul, I'll worship your Holy name.*

*The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
it's time to sing your song again
whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
let me be singing when the evening comes...*

Chorus

*You're rich in love and you're slow to anger,
your name is great and your heart is kind
for all Your goodness I will keep on singing
ten thousand reasons
for my heart to find...*

Chorus

*And on that day when my strength is failing
the end draws near and my time has come,
still my soul will sing your praise unending
ten thousand years and then forevermore...*

Chorus

Greeting One Another

Welcome and Announcements

Liturgy

“With Joyfulness and Longing” MBW pg. 13

*With joyfulness and longing
we look to you, O Lord;
Receive us in your mercy,
and cheer us with your word.
Crown us with loving enduring
and promises of grace,
And let your holy blessing
remain within this place.*

*The years have all been crowded
with tokens of your love;
and many who have sought you
now worship you above.
But we, O Lord, still need you,
our pilgrim feet to stay,
For evil often triumphs
as faith to fear gives way.*

Almighty God, enthroned above all, you alone are God over the nations of the earth. Even the planets, the stars, and the galaxies are placed by your hand.

Where could we go from your Spirit? Where could we flee from your presence? If we go up to the heavens,

you are there; if we go down into the caves of the earth or the depths of the sea, you are there.

God of all creation, we sing praises to your name; we stand jubilant before your glory, power, and beauty.

God of certainty, God of truth, our confidence is in you and in you alone.

Yet we live in a fallen world and we are an imperfect people.

Our world is filled with pain and alienation.

We know of illness when body or mind is failing, and the loneliness of spirit it brings.

We know of separation from parent or child, from friend or neighbor, and the emptiness of life it brings.

We know of strangeness in new communities and in changing communities, and the longing it brings.

We know of alienation caused by unemployment or poverty or discrimination, and the pain it brings.

We have become strangers to our relatives, and foreigners to our own families.

How can we sing the Lord's song in a strange land? Let our cry for help come to you.

I am a God nearby, says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? I am the Lord your God. I have called you out from the peoples and you shall be holy to me.

We declare your praise, the One who called us out of darkness into your wonderful light. We are a chosen

people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to you.

“Sing Praise to God” MBW # 537

Sing praise to God who reigns above,

the God of all creation,

the God of pow'r, the God of love,

the God of our salvation.

My soul with comfort rich he fills,

and ev'ry grief he gently stills:

To God all praise and glory!

The Lord is never far away,

but through all grief distressing,

an ever present help and stay,

our peace, and joy, and blessing.

As with a mother's tender hand,

he leads his own, his chosen band.

To God all praise and glory!

Gracious God, we humbly confess that we walk in the way of the indifferent, who depend on their strength alone. We sit among the scornful, who deny the need for your guidance and power. Our hearts are not satisfied with riches vulnerable to moth and rust and thief, yet we zealously store up those very treasures. Set our minds on things unseen and eternal, that our emptiness within may be filled.

We humbly confess that we fail to welcome the stranger among us. We pass by the neighbor who is hungry and thirsty, naked, sick, and in prison. We sing of your healing power and your unconditional love, but we fail to make our sanctuaries true havens for the suffering and the exiled. Give us the will to be ambassadors for our Savior and faithful stewards of the ministry of reconciliation entrusted to us.

Lord, have mercy on us,

Amen.

Without Christ we were strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus we who were once far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. He is our peace.

We are no longer strangers and aliens, but citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, with Christ himself as the cornerstone.

Therefore, let us affirm our faith in the Triune God.

We believe in the one God who has created the land and the sea and heavens and all that is in them; who established a world that was good; who gives us the task of watchful and responsible care over it; who is certainty and truth.

We believe in the one God who in Jesus Christ assumed our humanity and knew our life as child, youth, and adult; who dined with sinners and lived with the

homeless; who confronted popular opinion and power; who remained obedient in temptation and suffering; whose triumph was a servant's death and resurrection. We believe in the one God who comes to us as comforter and advocate; who does not leave us as orphans; who brings us peace and calms the troubled heart; who bestows gifts for serving, healing, showing compassion, and doing miracles; who alone is the power and the wisdom of our proclamation.

Let us in faith keep our eyes fixed on the promises of God, though we see them and greet them from a distance.

We confess that we are strangers and foreigners on the earth, a people who are seeking our true home.

We desire a better place, that is, a heavenly one. Indeed, God has prepared a city for us.

Let us lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.

“Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand” MBW pg. 17

*O then what raptured greetings
on Canaan's happy shore;
what knitting severed friendships up,
where partings are no more!
Then eyes with joy shall sparkle
that brimmed with tears of late,*

*no orphans left without a home,
nor mourners desolate.*

Bring near your great salvation,

O Lamb for sinners slain;

fill up the roll of your elect,

then take your pow'r and reign!

Appear, Desire of nations,

your exiles long for home;

show in the heav'n your promised sign;

great Prince and Savior, come.

Amen.

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "God So Loved" arr. Luke Gambill

Response "Light of the World" MBW pg. 68

*Light of the world, we worship you;
our gifts to you we bring;
accept our sinful hearts, O Lord,
while praise to you we sing.*

Prayer

Scripture Lessons

I Corinthians 1:1-9

Psalm 40:1-11

John 1: 29-42

“Jesus, Master, Whose I AM” MBW # 614

*Jesus, Master, whose I am,
purchased yours alone to be,
by your blood, O Spotless Lamb,
shed so willingly for me,
let my heart be all your own,
let me live to you alone.*

*Having turned from other ways,
now your name alone to bear,
your dear voice alone obey
is my daily, hourly prayer.
Looking up to heav'n I see
no one else my joy can be.*

*Jesus, Master, I am yours;
keep me faithful, keep me near;
as your radiance through me pours
all my homeward way to cheer.*

Jesus, at your feet I fall.

O be now my all in all!

Sermon “Looking...Seeing...Finding”

“Just As I Am, Without One Plea” MBW # 762

*Just as I am, without one plea,
but that thy blood was shed for me,*

*and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!*

*Just as I am, and waiting not
to rid my soul of one dark blot,
to thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!*

*Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!*

*Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need, in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!*

*Just as I am; thou wilt receive,
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!*

*Just as I am; thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down;
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!*

Benediction

Please be seated and use this time to listen to the Postlude and reflect upon how God is calling you to live, to love, and to serve in the week to come.

Postlude

“Glorious Majesty”

Lani Smith



The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary this morning to the glory of God and in memory of Esther S. Crouse by her children.



OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 18 – Second Sunday after Epiphany

9:30 AM Sunday School Classes

10:30 AM Worship Service – Rev. Joe Moore

Immediately following the worship service, the Joint Board will meet and then the Board of Elders and Board of Trustees will meet for their monthly meeting.

Tuesday, January 20

11:30 AM Seniors & Friends Lunch @ Café Arthurs

Wednesday, January 21

5:30 PM Meal

6:15 PM Bible Study

7:00 PM Choir Practice

Sunday, January 25 – Third Sunday after Epiphany

9:30 AM Sunday School Classes

10:30 AM Worship Service – Rev. Joe Moore

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PEOPLE FOR WHOM WE ARE PRAYING



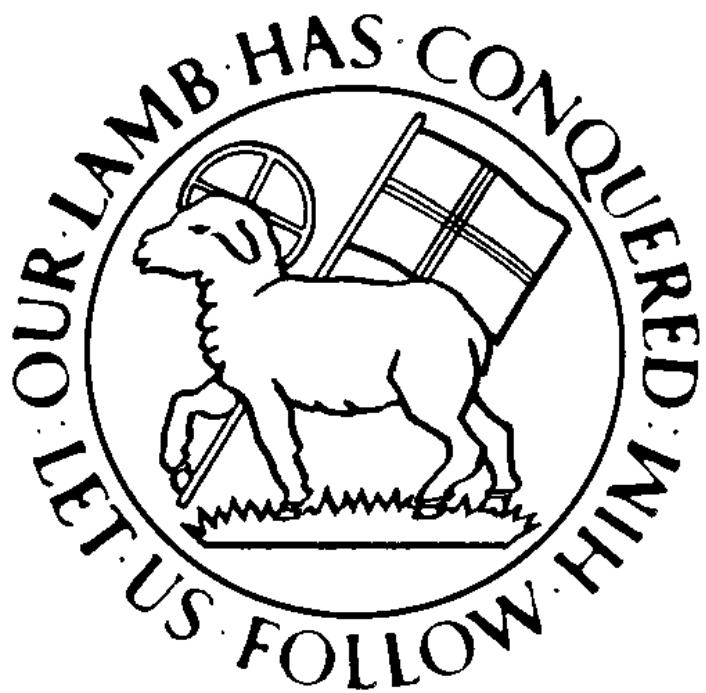
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