

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should . . . evermore
praising You and singing:

SANCTUS (p. 161)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & DISTRIBUTION SONGS (10:30):

“O Living Bread from Heaven” (642); “I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table”
(618); “Let Us Break Bread Together” (Screens)

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AFFIRMATION OF HOPE

P: To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, in
Your holy Church forever and ever. Amen!

**C (Loudly): CHRIST HAS COME! CHRIST IS RISEN! CHRIST SHALL
COME AGAIN**

THE BENEDICTION

C: Amen!

CLOSING HYMN: “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” (643)

Pastor: We have gathered this morning to worship the Lord, to be renewed
and strengthened in God’s love and the forgiveness of sins. As we go, let
us remember who we are and what we do:

**C: “We are rooted in God’s love, united in connecting people to
Jesus.”**

Pastor: You are dearly loved and treasured by God, planted and growing
in God’s love. As God’s beloved children, go in peace! Love one another!
Be a blessing! Share the faith! Serve the Lord with gladness!

C: Thanks be to God!

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Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 25, 2026

*“We are rooted in God’s love, united in connecting people to
Jesus”*

PRELUDE MUSIC

WELCOME and INVOCATION

OPENING PRAISE: "Today Your Mercy Calls Us" (915)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG OF PRAISE: "Wonderful Merciful Savior" (Screens)

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CONFESSION OF SINS AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

P: Beloved in the Lord, let us now take a moment to confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Heavenly Father, I confess all my sins to You, the sins that I know of and I acknowledge that there are others that are unknown to me. Your Word teaches that I will be held accountable for my sins. But, Your Word also teaches me about Jesus and that He is the Savior of the world. Lord, I ask that You forgive me of my sins, that my sins not stay with me. "God, have mercy on me, a sinner."

P: Friends of God, heaven rejoices when we acknowledge our sins for God desires to shower His mercy and love upon us. Know, therefore, that your sins, your known and unknown sins, are removed from you as far as the east is from the west (Psalm 103.12). The words I speak, I now speak for God: You are forgiven of your sins! They are no longer with you!

C: Amen! Thanks be to God!

KYRIE PRAYER (Spoken)

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

P: The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you!

P: Let us pray together:

C: Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen!

CHOIR ANTHEM (10:30)

The Lord's Prayer"

by Joan J. Pinkston

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:30)

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Our Old Testament reading is **Isaiah 9.1-4**, where God promises that light will break into darkness and joy will rise where oppression once ruled.

Our New Testament reading for today is **1st Corinthians 1.10-18**, where Paul calls the church to unity centered not on ourselves, but on the cross of Christ.

Our Gospel reading is **Matthew 4.12-25**, which shows us Jesus bringing that promised light into the world as He begins His ministry, calls His disciples, and proclaims the nearness of God's kingdom.

WE CONFESS OUR CHRISTIAN FAITH

Nicene Creed (Screens)

SERMON HYMN: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (649)

SERMON: Matthew 4.12-25

THE OFFERTORY and THANKOFFERING

PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Congregational response to each prayer: **"Hear our prayer"**

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.