

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Second Sunday of Epiphany

January 18, 2026

Worship 10:30 AM

Gather

Prelude

“Wiegunlied”

Carl Bohm

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Introit

“Great Is the Lord”

Michael W. & Deborah D. Smith

Praise

Prepare for Call to Worship

**Call to Worship

Leader: God calls us here together — each of us, all of us, our whole selves.

People: We bring our questions, our longings, our hopes, our dreams and our fears.

Leader: Jesus invites us to come and see where God is at work.

People: Across the street and across the globe, Jesus is present.

Leader: Within these walls and within our hearts, God is here calling us to follow.

People: We come to worship and praise the God who reaches out in love.

All: Amen!

**Hymn (*insert*)

“On This Day of Celebration”

HYMN TO JOY

Prepare

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Precious Lord, you are the light who has come into the world. You call us to reflect your light, but we are more comfortable living in the shadows of life; you call us to be your servants, but we worry that we lack the skills to do your work. We yearn to shine as brightly for you, as you shine for us. We long to see ourselves as the amazing creations you intend us to be.

For all the ways we fall short and place a shadow over your Church, forgive us. Change us — gift us — to become what the world needs. Give us eyes to see you, and grant us hearts to follow your Spirit, that we may shine with the light of Christ.

Time for Silent Confession Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

**Congregational Response *Spirit of the Living God* (Hymn #288)

LIVING GOD

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

**Passing the Peace

The light and love of Christ be with you! — *And also with you.*

Listen

Children's Message

Anthem

“From the Rising of the Sun”

Prayer of Illumination

George Ousley
arr. Vincent Knight

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 49:1-7

Psalm Reflection Video

“Psalm 40:1-11”

The Psalms Project

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Sermon

“CROSS FIT: Faith Is a Contact Sport!”

Respond

**Hymn (*insert*)

“Called as the Church”

BREAD OF LIFE

Offering (*Please be seated.*)

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn #709 (*Please remain seated.*) “God, We Honor You”

ABUNDANT BLESSINGS

Pastoral Prayer

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.

Choral Benediction

“I Love You, Lord”

Laurie Klein

Benediction

Postlude

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

Paul Manz

**Please stand as you are comfortable and able.

Leaders in and for Worship Today

Preaching Today	Rev. Ronnie Osborn
Liturgist	Amanda Fues
Organist/Pianist	Rev. Bruce Jeffries
Director of Music	J. West
Audio-Visual Technicians	Michael Fues, Bill Kennedy Debbie Newkirk
Greeter	Debbie Calder
Ushers	Cathy Nelson, Odell Newkirk
Childcare Volunteers	Chris Sheriff, Susan Winkelmann

Announcements

AFTER-WORSHIP FELLOWSHIP: Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after the service today for light refreshments and conversation with church friends. **You can help the members of our Fellowship Committee by signing up at the kiosk in the lobby to host our fellowship time one or more Sundays this year. Please contact Debbie Newkirk, chair of the Fellowship Committee, if you have any questions.**

FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP: If you would like to provide flowers for one of our worship services this year, please sign up at the kiosk or contact our Flower Coordinator, Becky Livingston, or the church office. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

THE WARDROBE: Please sign up at the kiosk today to volunteer at The Wardrobe this Wednesday, January 21, from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. If you have any questions, contact our Wardrobe Coordinator, Anne Seymour.

FIBER FELLOWSHIP will meet on Saturday morning, January 24, from 10:00 a.m.-Noon in the downstairs Youth Room. Bring your current needlecraft project or start a new one and enjoy this time to work on your project and to visit with other needlecrafters.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AND POTLUCK LUNCHEON: The Annual Meeting of the Congregation and a potluck luncheon will be held on Sunday, February 1, immediately following worship. The Fellowship Committee will provide the meat (pulled pork) and drinks, and attendees are asked to bring a side dish to share. The purposes of the meeting are to elect the 2026 Nominating Committee, to receive the year-end financial report and committee reports, and to conduct any necessary corporation business.