

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 18, 2026

*Second Sunday after Epiphany*

*We Gather in God's Name* . . .

## PRELUDE

### PRAYER OF PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

God, hear our cries. We call for you in moments of despair. Then, when you call us together, we are challenged to do more than we already have faced. We are spent. How can we do more? Will you renew us here? We feel that we have labored in vain. Will you help us make sense of our failures and those of our leaders and neighbors? Come with your saving grace, your mercy. Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Listen, all who are near and all who are far away; God is calling us as servants and saints.

All: **Usually, we do not think of ourselves in this way. We resist lowly roles, but we do not aspire to sainthood.**

One: Do not be afraid to serve God with your whole being. Neither fear the call to become one of the saints of Jesus Christ.

All: **We trust that God will strengthen us for our tasks. We are ready to be led to new responsibilities.**

### \*OPENING HYMN “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” #263

### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

We come to you, Gracious God, to renew our commitment. We confess we have embraced false gods. We spend more time with our own worries than with your cause. We pay more attention to our distractions than to your truth, but your law teases our hearts, and we remember that we have been named, baptized, and commissioned for service. We pray silently that you will bring us

back to your arms.

### \*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON “Hear the Good News of Salvation”  
(verse 1) #355

Singing: Hear the good news of salvation:  
Jesus died to show God’s love.  
Such great kindness! Such great mercy!  
Come to us from heaven above.  
Jesus Christ, how much I love you!  
Jesus Christ, you save from sin!  
How I love you! Look upon me.  
Love me still and cleanse within.

### \*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus the Christ be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

. . . *to Proclaim God’s Word*

FIRST READING Isaiah 49: 1-7 p. 679

SECOND READING I Corinthians 1: 1-9 p. 165

ANTHEM “O Most High” Choir

GOSPEL READING John 1: 29-42 p. 92

One: The word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON “Come & See” Pastor Judy Sibley

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE “There’s s Sweet, Sweet Spirit” #398

. . . *to Give Thanks to God* . . .

## WE OFFER OUR GIFTS TO GOD

### THE OFFERTORY

\*OFFERING RESPONSE  
“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” #592

Singing: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of saints in every age and time, we invest our gifts in you. Because of your generosity, we have not lacked for anything we need. Grant now that our words and deeds may follow these offerings as we give our lives in loving service to you. Amen.

### PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER

One: Lord in your mercy,

All: **hear our 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.

. . . *and to Be Sent in God’s Name*

\*CLOSING HYMN “Precious Lord, Take My Hand” #404

## BENEDICTION

RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION “Freely, Freely”  
Lt. Blue Songbook #136

Singing: Freely, freely, you have received, freely, freely give.  
Go in my name, and because you believe,  
others will know that I live.

## POSTLUDE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mon. Jan. 19	Easy Does It Exercise	10:00 AM
	Handbells	6:00 PM
	Session	7:00 PM
Wed. Jan. 21	Easy Does It Exercise	10:00 AM
	No Learn 2 Sew Class	12:45 PM
	Wednesday Night Adult Class	6:00 PM
	Children/Youth Group Program	6:15 PM
Thurs. Jan. 22	Bible Study @ Horizon Lodge	2:00 PM
	Choir	7:00 PM
Fri. Jan. 23	Easy Does It Exercise	10:00 AM
Sun. Jan. 25	Bible Study	10:00 AM

*Welcome* to worship this morning! If you have small children, you're welcome to keep them in worship or take them into the quiet room.

**Our thanks** go to our lay reader Julie Katana, the choir, and pianist Dave Thomas.

You will find **prayer request cards** in the backs of the church pews that you may fill out and drop in the offering plate as needed.

Join us for **Coffee Hour** today in the Fellowship Hall. The signup sheet to host coffee hour is in the Fellowship Hall kitchen.

For **Prayer Chain Requests**, please call either Martha Orcutt, 406-868-1890 or Karen Burditt, 406-450-5295.

By order of session, the **Annual Meeting** of the congregation has been called for today, immediately after morning worship for the purpose of receiving annual reports and expressing support for the church budget.

**Annual Report** booklets are available today in the narthex.

**Pastor Tim Lanham** of Glacier Presbyterian Camp will offer an in-depth bible study of the Book of Habakkuk at our church **January 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>**, beginning at 6:00 PM Friday evening with dinner and continuing Saturday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM with a continental breakfast and lunch provided.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Updated **Church Directories** are available in the narthex.

The **Wednesday Night Adult Discipleship** class meets on Wednesdays from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM in Room #1 next to the church office. Come and share in scripture-based discovery, discussion and spiritual growth with fellow Christians. All are welcome!

**Glacier Camp Winterfest is February 6<sup>th</sup> through the 8<sup>th</sup>** and is grades 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>. Lodging and meals are included, and all students are eligible for full or partial scholarships. Contact Jane Arends at [janemariearends@gmail.com](mailto:janemariearends@gmail.com) or 406-450-4163 if interested. David and Jane Arends will be chaperoning this event.

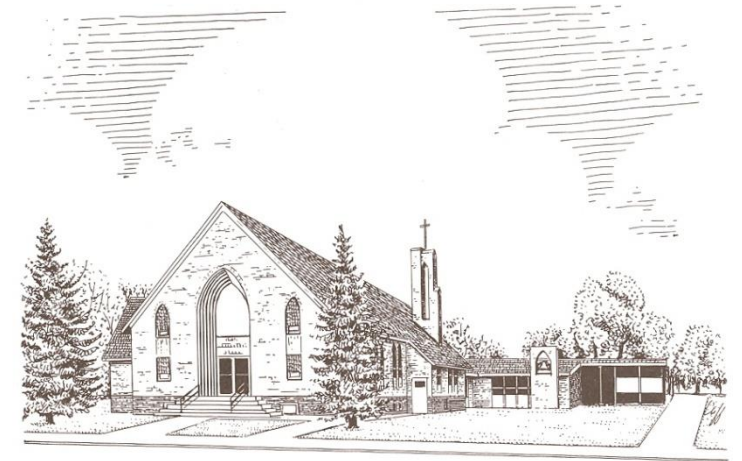
**Valentine's Weekend Getaway at the Spruce Lodge at Glacier Camp February 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>.** Friday dinner will be at 6:00 PM with a Beef Tenderloin. Stay the night in one of our cozy Lodge rooms. At 9:30 AM we will have an amazing brunch overlooking Flathead Lake on Saturday. Reservations required. RSVP by February 6<sup>th</sup> at 406-844-2114. Dinner only is \$90 per couple.

If you have any articles to contribute to the **February Newsletter**, please turn them into the office no later than **Wednesday morning, January 21<sup>st</sup>**, which should provide enough time for article placement and proofreading if all articles are received by the due date. The newsletter will be printed and mailed out the following week, providing enough time for the newsletter to be delivered with time sensitive articles.

Last week, the combined giving was **\$935.00**. In order to meet expenses, we need to average **\$3,104.00** per week.

**Please remember to pray for** Family & Friends of Allen Wittmier, Jean Baringer, Bruce Benjamin, Cecil & Alice Benjamin, Amy Zimbelman, Helen Stordahl, Barb Perry, Wally McHenry, Wendy Wagner, Dave Perry, Ward Orcutt, Kristine Ries Prewett, Mary Sanders, Lavon & Karen Carter, Sean Carter, Dana & Marie Ahmed, Pearl Severtson, and Hazel Jones.

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