

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 11, 2026

Baptism of the Lord

We Gather in God's Name . . .

PRELUDE

PRAYER OF PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Come, Holy Spirit, to dwell in us and among us. Make us more than dimly burning wicks, that we might share enough light to make a difference in the world. Gather us in to your family. Help us to go out to serve. Heal us, and renew us as we worship, sing and pray. Hear us, O God, as we call on your name. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The Lord speaks: I am your God; I have called you in righteousness.

All: God knows us and calls us.

One: God takes us by the hand and leads us.

All: We will worship and praise, we will open our eyes for the new thing that God is doing.

*OPENING HYMN “Spirit of God, Descent Upon My Heart” #326

*CALL TO CONFESSION

O God, we confess the ways we have not lived in your light. (silent moment for personal confession) We confess the ways we have not lived up to our baptism. (silent moment for personal confession) We confess the ways we have not worked to bring your justice to the earth. (silent moment for personal confession) We confess all the ways we have fallen short of your will for our lives. (silent moment for personal confession).

*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS “Grace Greater Than Our Sin” Lt. Blue Songbook #76

Singing: Grace, grace, God’s grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within; Grace, grace, God’s grace, grace that is greater than all our sin.

*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 42: 1-9 p. 670

SECOND READING Acts 10: 34-43 p. 129

ANTHEM “Footsteps” Choir

GOSPEL READING Matthew 3: 13-17 p. 3

One: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON “It Begins Humbly” Gary Klette

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

*HYMN OF RESPONSE “In Christ There Is No East or West” #439

. . . 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

We pray, O God, that our offerings delight you. We bring them to show our love and gratitude for all you have done for us. We bring them to support the work of our church. We bring them to reach out to others in your name. Receive our gifts and bless our offerings. 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 “Song of Hope” #432

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. 12	Easy Does It Exercise Handbells	10:00 AM 6:00 PM
Tues. Jan. 13	Finance Committee	10:00 AM
Wed. Jan. 14	Easy Does It Exercise Youth Sewing Class Wednesday Night Adult Class Children/Youth Group Program	10:00 AM 3:30PM 6:00 PM 6:00 PM
Thurs. Jan. 15	Bible Study @ Horizon Lodge Choir	2:00 PM 7:00 PM
Fri. Jan. 16	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED Easy Does It Exercise	10:00 AM
Sun. Jan. 18	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 guest speaker Gary Klette, lay reader Helen Stordahl, 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.

We will have Installation of the newly elected Elders and Deacons during worship service today.

Annual Report booklets are available today in the narthex.

By order of session, the **Annual Meeting** of the congregation has been called for Sunday, **January 18th, 2026**, immediately after morning worship for the purpose of receiving annual reports and expressing support for the church budget.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

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!

The Church Office will be closed on **Friday, January 16th**.

If you have any articles to contribute to the **February Newsletter**, please turn them into the office no later than **Wednesday morning, January 21st**, 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 **\$3,415.00**. 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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