



Sunday, January 25, 2026

*Prayer candles are available at the communion rail
Financial gifts may be made in the wooden offering boxes
Please silence your electronic devices*

THE GATHERING & CARILLON PRELUDE

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Canzona

Eric Thiman

THE CALL TO WORSHIP*

Liturgist

Children of God, when fears press in on every side,
we can proclaim with confidence:

**God is our light and salvation!
Whom shall we fear?**

Liturgist

When our problems overwhelm us and we feel
pressed in on every side, we can declare with
confidence:

**God is the stronghold of our lives!
Of whom shall we be afraid?**

Liturgist

No matter the troubles we face, we seek after God
and to live in the house of God forever.

**God shelters and protects us in the day of
trouble.**

Liturgist

Come, let us worship God with joy, for God is our
light and salvation!

**We come to worship as bearers of the
Light. Thanks be to God! AMEN.**

THE ENTRANCE HYMN*

Jesus Shall Reign

UMH #157

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION*

**Holy Christ, we come to You knowing
that we have fallen away from your
intentions for us.**

**We have followed the paths of greed and
envy,
turned away from our brothers and
sisters in need in order to satisfy our
own desires.**

**You gave your life for us,
and yet we are willing to give so little at
times.**

**Forgive us for not understanding that
You laid down your life for us.**

**Forgive us for not recognizing the
sacrifice of love,
to live for others instead of ourselves.
Call us back to repent and return to the
kingdom of God.**

**In your precious name, we pray.
AMEN.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

Pastor

Christ continues to lay down his life for us, so that we
might have life. Christ continues to show us the way,
so that we might live into the truth and the life. Christ
continues to love us, so that we might love God and
love our neighbors as ourselves. Know that you are
forgiven, loved and given new life.

AMEN.

THE GLORIA PATRI*

UMH #70

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 9: 1 - 4

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Mary McDonald

Let Your Light Shine

THE THANKSGIVING & DOXOLOGY*

UMH #94

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 4: 12 - 23

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

UMH #398

Jesus Calls Us

vss. 1 - 2, 4 - 5

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Mary Jo Yeakel

Candle Seeing

THE CLOSING HYMN*

UMH #188

Christ is the World's Light

THE BENEDICTION*

THE POSTLUDE

Peter Hurford

Paeon

* - Please stand as you are able
UMH - The United Methodist Hymnal

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

Becky Hall
Liturgist

The Reverend Mary Jo Yeakel
Pastor

Julie Smith
Director of Children's Ministries

The Crossroads Choir
Beth Polen, *Director of Music Ministries*

Christopher Dazey
Organist, Pianist & Carillonneur

Happy
Birthday

1/25 - Erin Ackerman
1/28 - Beverly Thiessen
2/1 - Sophia Thomas

Spring Print Newsletter

**Deadline For Submission:
Sunday, February 15**

Our March newsletter will cover Lent, Easter and Pentecost

*Submit your items to Christopher Dazey:
christopher@crossroads120.org*

The Village

A Moms-Helping-Moms Ministry

Our Village ministry is currently in need of:

**Boys and girls clothes and socks,
up to 3 months**

Please bring your donation to the church office

FOOD SERVICE TRAINING

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2026 * 11:30 AM
WESLEY HALL * WITH CHEF DAVE

OUR NEW COMMERCIAL-GRADE KITCHEN IN WESLEY HALL IS READY FOR USE!

ANYONE INTERESTED IN HELPING IN OR USING THE KITCHEN
FOR ANY AND ALL OF OUR FUTURE EVENTS
(INCLUDING OUR SUNDAY MORNING BREAKFASTS)
MUST BE TRAINED ON OUR NEW EQUIPMENT AND IN OUR NEW FOOD SAFETY PRACTICES

THIS FIRST GROUP TRAINING CLASS IS OPEN TO EVERYONE

PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE
TO ARRANGE PERSONAL TRAINING WITH CHEF DAVE IF NECESSARY

Two Special Offerings Today

1) St Paul's Episcopal

*Use the dedicated offering baskets throughout the sanctuary
for this special gift to St Paul's for hosting our oatmeal
breakfast during the Wesley Hall renovation*

Also please sign the thank-you card in the back

2) Pastor Don, Erin and the Ackerman Family

*We will also be offering Pastor Don and Erin
a financial gift for their years of service*

**You can donate to both of these offerings online at
cantonforallpeople.org/donate**

Please have all donations in by February 8

**To help keep our sacred space clean, at the conclusion of the service,
please return this bulletin to one of the wooden tables located throughout the sanctuary**

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