

GOOD MORNING! We welcome each of you to this service of worship and we are glad you are here. We invite you to fill out the Welcome card found in the pew rack and place the card in the offering plate, so we can welcome you further and start to get to know you better.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES		
Today (02/08)	9:30a 10:30a	Sunday School Worship Service— <i>Communion</i>
Mon (02/09)	9:00a 9:00a 9:00a 6:30p 7:00p	Bulletin Information Due Website Information Due EGGS TACC Rehearsal Stated Session Meeting
Tue (02/10)	9:00a	EGGS
Wed (02/11)	9:00a 7:00p	Weight Watchers Choir Rehearsal
Thu (02/12)	9:00a	EGGS
Sun (02/01)	9:30a 10:30a	Sunday School Worship Service

Financial Update can be found on the bulletin board.

The Gathering: This month our Gathering will be held on Wednesday, February 18, Ash Wednesday. If you plan to attend, please register on the sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board in the Narthex

Pennies for Hunger: Don't forget to drop your pennies in the "Hunger" pail located in the Narthex.

Dollars for Missions: All loose dollar bills placed in the collection plates will be earmarked for mission work—divided between FPC Mission Team and a Salem Presbytery mission.

Blessing Box: Please continue to support the Blessing Box. It is being visited quite frequently and because of this we are in need of the following:

- ◆ Canned Vegetables
 - Green Beans
- ◆ Canned Pasta
- ◆ Canned Soup
- ◆ Canned Meat
 - Tuna, Chicken, Beef Stew, etc.
- ◆ Boxed Pasta
 - Mac & Cheese, Hamburger Helper, etc.
- ◆ Dry Pasta / Pasta Sauce
- ◆ Ramen Noodles
- ◆ Instant Potatoes, Pasta and Rice Mixes
- ◆ Other Non-perishable Foods



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February 8, 2026—*Fifth Sunday after Epiphany*

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We delight to draw near to you, gracious God. We rejoice in the many gifts you have given us.

All: *We lift up our hearts and voices in praise. We humble ourselves before the God of all worlds.*

One: We gather to remember God's commandments. We seek for ourselves the wisdom God imparts.

All: *The wisdom of God is not like any other. It draws us away from the world's agenda.*

One: God sends us into the world with new priorities. We are grounded in the Spirit that we might be discerning.

All: *We are filled with the mind of Christ. We are already citizens of God's kingdom. Let us worship God!*

*HYMN NO. 610

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

AZMON

*You may stand in body or spirit.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, you call out to us, saying, “Here I am,” but we do not listen. You pour out on us spiritual gifts, but we do not discern them. You call us to build a more just society but we cling to our advantages. Forgive us, we pray, and help us to change. Help us so to know and understand Jesus Christ that we might reflect the God of glory in our daily living. Create in us a generosity that reflects your own. Pour out your spirit on this congregation that we might understand and use it to build, repair, and restore. *(The prayer continues in a time of silent, personal confession.)*

Amen.

RESPONSE

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, God has prepared for all who love God and are open to the Spirit’s revelations. Let the yoke be removed from among us, the pointing finger and evil speech, that we may be about the work to which God calls us: feeding the hungry, satisfying the needs of the afflicted, and building foundations of faith for future generations. Friends, believe the good news...

All: *In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.*

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: *And also with you.*

(Please share a sign of peace with others.)

ANTHEM

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Isaiah 58:1-9a

Matthew 5:13-20

SERMON

“Righteous Enough”

Rev. John Pruitt

SENDING

*HYMN NO. 700

“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”

I’M GONNA LIVE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

“The Apostles’ Creed”

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

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. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

The Words of Invitation

The Prayer of Thanksgiving - 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.

The Words of Institution

The Sharing of God’s Gifts

The Communion Prayer

*HYMN NO. 697

“Take My Life” (verses 1-4)

HENDON

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Serving Today (Feb 8—Communion)

Greeters/Ushers: Lynda Self, Linda Volcek
Element Prep: Nancy Sharp, Linda Volcek
Assisting Elders: Nancy Sharp, Lynda Self,
Dee Barham, Kerry Kerr

Serving Next Sunday (Feb 15)

Greeters/Ushers: Lynda Self, Wanda Sampson

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