

**Prelude ~** “You Who Are Thirsty”

**Welcome & Announcements ~** Worship Leader: Loren Swenson

**Christ’s Light** “Step by Step”

*\*(Please stand as you are able)*

**\*Call to Worship**

In truth and love, God has called us into this house of worship. God has said to us,

**“You are my people, I am your God.”**

Not once, but again and again God has spoken, and there is rejoicing over all the earth. The words ring out with a glad cry:

**“You are my people, I am your God. You are my people, close to my heart.”**

Let us worship God with awe and wonder today and always.

**\*Opening Hymn** “Burning in My Soul”

**Opening Prayer**

**Compassionate God, as we enter into this time of worship may your love touch our hearts and may we experience your amazing grace once again. May we be strengthened by you for the living of our lives. Amen.**

**Old Testament Reading** Psalm 27: 1,14  
Liturgist: Marcy Johnson

**Children’s Message** Puppets  
[After Children’s Moment, children may go to the nursery or return to their parents.]

**Gospel Reading** Luke 4:16-20

**Sermon** “These Skittish Times” **Pastor Melanie Adams**  
Part 3 of Series: With Courage and Hope

**Response** “You Are My Hiding Place” #2055

**Sharing of Prayers: Celebrations and Concerns**

*(Where have you seen God’s presence? What joys and concerns are in your hearts and minds?)*

**Silent Meditation and Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord’s Prayer #895**

**The Offering** “Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

**The Doxology** “Give Thanks” #2036

**\*Offertory Prayer [Unison]**

**We offer ourselves with our gifts, confident that you have a purpose for them and for us. Expand our limited vision to embrace new possibilities. We rededicate our lives at this altar. May our offerings reach beyond the barriers of our former thinking and doing. In the Spirit of Christ, we pray and live. Amen.**

**\* Closing Song** “You are Mine” #2218

**Our Purpose**

What is our purpose? **To provide a place for all to BELONG to our community, BELIEVE in and experience the transforming love of Jesus Christ, and BECOME his disciples. BELONG! BELIEVE! BECOME!**

**Benediction**

**Benediction Response** “Grace Alone” #2162

**Postlude**

**UPDATED 740 Prayer Initiative**

*(Thank you for stepping up your prayers for our congregation! Set your phones to remind yourself to stop at 7:40 am and/or 7:40 pm each day to pray for our church and the mission and ministry we are called to do. Where did we come up with the number 740? It is our street address number. If you can’t pray at 7:40, choose another time. The important thing is that we are praying!)*

Scriptures for prayer: “So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up” Galatians 6:9.

“Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us” Ephesians 3:20.

Please pray that God continues to work in our hearts and through the work of our hands so that others may also come to experience Christ’s love. Pray that God would lead us and equip us for the living out of our purpose (what we repeat at the end of each service). And pray that God help each of us to be a follower of Christ committed to living a life of worship & hospitality, a life of opening our heart to the Holy Spirit, and a life of service & generosity. Pray for those who are seated around you in worship, whether you know them by name or not. Remember to lift up the need of our community and world. Pray the news: as you listen to the news of each day pray about each situation.

Give thanks to God! “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you” 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18

## PRAYERS

Please see the Prayer Board outside the office for ongoing prayer requests.

Pray for our congregation: For the ministry of making, nurturing, and sending out of disciples; because we believe that God's Love is the answer for the most difficult questions of our world today.

Jesus changes lives!

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**Dolan Duewell**

**Alan Funk**

**Tim Holt**

**Hannah Kircher**

**Jeff Krohn**

**Taryn Mosher**

**Family of Dwight Nichols**

**Brian Ruud**

**Saltzman Family**

**Dorothy Torgler**

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## Thoughts to Ponder

Acronym for facing fear:

**F**ace your fears with faith

**E**xamine your assumptions in light of the facts.

**A**ttack your anxieties with action.

**R**elease your cares to God.

Some scriptures for meditation:

Psalms 23, Psalm 63:1-8, Jeremiah

29:11, John 6:11-34, Luke 11:1-

13, Romans 8:26-27, 35-39.

James 1:22-27, 3:14-17.

## Events this week in church:

### Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship Service

11:30 am Fellowship

11:30 am Missions

5:00 pm Financial Peace University

### Tuesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>

5:15 pm Memorials

### Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>

5:00 pm Sittin' With Jesus

5:30 pm Choir Practice

5:45 pm Table Talk Meal

6:30 pm Table Talk Classes

### Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship Service

11:30 am Fellowship

5:00 pm Financial Peace University

## Potluck February 10<sup>th</sup>

11:30 am, Fellowship Hall

Bring a Dish to Share, your table service and an appetite!!!

This would be a great fellowship opportunity to invite someone looking for a church home.

## Secret Prayer

Sister Day is

Saturday,

February 23<sup>rd</sup>

at 9:30 am.

We will meet

in the Parlor

for fun and

fellowship.

Please bring

your filled out

Secret Prayer

Sister Card

(available on

the mailboxes

in hallway)

with you. See

you then.



**January 27, 2019**

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