

you
are the
LIGHT
of the
WORLD.
-MATTHEW 5:14

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 8, 2026

5th Sunday after Epiphany

do. For then when we cry for help you shall answer and say, “Here I am.” Amen.

✠ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted...the Lord will guide you continually...so that you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail...Take delight in the Lord and God will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; God will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.” Amen

✠ GLORIA PATRI “Glory Be to the Father” **#812**
***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.***

✠ PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of God be with you.
And also, with you.
Greet one another in Peace.

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH
Congregational Life

ANTHEM “The Fruit of the Spirit is Love” (Tewson)

CHILDREN’S SERMON
Children are dismissed to Sunday School.

THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING

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Isaiah 58: 1-12	Old	647	841
1 Corinthians 2: 1-16	New	146	202
Matthew 5: 13-20	New	4	5

SERMON “Walking the Path”

✠ HYMN “Be Thou My Vision” **#562**

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us say what we believe.

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.

SERVICE OF INSTALLATION

(Please See Insert)

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

The Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

OFFERTORY "Offertory in G"

(Sergisson)

✠ DOXOLOGY

#815

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

We offer but a portion of the bounty that you bestow, O God. Receive our gifts as we seek to walk in your way. Where justice is sought, use these gifts to bring Christ's liberating word. Where there is pain, may they bring the healing of Christ's love. Where there is want, let them assure others that you know of their needs before they are voiced. Continue to enhance what we give to you, as we become more obedient to Christ's will for our lives. Amen.

✠ HYMN "Peace Like a River"

#750

✠ BENEDICTION

✠ POSTLUDE "Festival Recession"

(Nordam)

WE WELCOME EVERYONE TO THE FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

We pray you'll be nourished in faith as you hear God's message for you. Jesus welcomed everyone; that is our aim, too. Whether you are here for the first time or the thousandth, we count ourselves blessed by your presence. Persons interested in more information about the First United Presbyterian Church, or in joining this congregation, are invited to fill out a 'Welcome' card found in the pews, or to call the church office. Please be sure to sign our Guest Book near the entrance to the Sanctuary. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- ⌘ Sunday Worship - 10:00 AM
The nursery is available for your use during the worship service.
- ⌘ A Celtic cross (⌘) preceding a service element indicates the congregation should stand.
- ⌘ **Bold** indicates congregation participation.
- ⌘ If you need the Pastor after office hours, please call the church and leave a message on the Pastor's voicemail. If you call during office hours and he is not available, the staff may be able to provide his cell #.
- ⌘ Pre-service refreshments are available each Sunday in the Westminster Room.

FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED

Hearing assistance devices are available. If you would like to use a receiver, please ask an Usher for assistance.



***The Purpose of the First United Presbyterian Church is to:
Invite people to know and glorify God
Grow together as followers of Christ
Serve others through the power of the Holy Spirit***

***We ask that you remember these people in your prayers
throughout the coming week:***



Jennie McCain, Tom Thoresen, Marcia Michaud,
Marge Simpkins, Dee Leuvoy, Geraldine Carnahan,
Crisanne Riordan, Ronan Mouw, Dr. Pat Newhouse,
all those who are sick, all those who are traveling,
all missionaries, and all members of the
U.S. Armed Forces.

***Please keep us up to date on your prayer request.
Unless we are informed otherwise, names are listed for 2 weeks.***

FUPC Meetings/Groups—standard gathering times / or as noted.

Choir Practice—Every Wednesday at 5:30pm / every Sunday at
9:15am

Circle 3—2nd Thursday at 9:30am (WR)

Deacons—2nd Sunday at 11:15am (WR)

Men’s Study Group—Every Friday at 9:00am (WR)

Presbyterian Women—3rd Tuesday at Noon (SH)

Session—3rd Monday at 5:30pm (WR)

Textile Social Group—1st, 3rd & 4th Thursdays at 9:30am (SH)

Trustees—3rd Monday at 5:30pm (LB)

Women’s Bible Study—1st, 3rd & 4th Wednesdays at 9:30am (WR)

Minister: Rev. Mark D. Gabbard / pastor@soopresbyterian.org

Commissioned Ruling Elder: Brenda Ransom

Clerk of Session: Julie Walsh

President of Trustees: Leanne Deuman

Chairman of Deacons: Jeanne Shibley

Music Director/Organist: Kay Boyne / *Guitarist: David Blackburn*

Administrative Assistant: Maria Price / office@soopresbyterian.org

Sexton: Jason Fuller

Office Hours: 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Monday-Friday

Pastor’s Office Hours: 9:15 AM to 12:00 PM, Monday-Friday

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PLEASE REMEMBER to turn in your pledge cards today. They may be left in the offertory plate or in the office mailbox, located in the hallway across from the large bulletin board.

AS A CHURCH FAMILY, we warmly welcome Dave, Terri, Keith and Roger to their new roles as Elders and Trustee this morning.

SOUP AND SANDWICH will be held immediately following service today.

THE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY'S MONTHLY MISSION PROJECT this month is to collect non-food items for our Church Food Pantry. These items include toilet paper, shampoo, toothbrushes and toothpaste, dental floss and mouthwash, hand soap, dish soap, laundry soap and the like. Cash donations are also appreciated and envelopes designated "Food Pantry" are available in the pew pockets. Our Food Pantry is open the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 3:30 –5:00pm.

THE ASH WEDNESDAY POTLUCK will be held on Wednesday, February 18th at 6:00 PM in the Social Hall, immediately followed by **THE ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE** at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary.

THE MARCH CHIMES deadline will be Friday, February 20th.

RIDES TO CHURCH are available. Should you need a ride to church, please call the church office before Friday each week and the Deacons will arrange a pickup time.

PRESBYTERY POINT CAMP ONLINE REGISTRATION is now available! Simply log on to presbyterypoint.org

OUR FOOD PANTRY is continuing to collect clean, gently used jackets and coats to distribute on the scheduled Food Pantry distribution days. Donations may be dropped off at the church workroom. Thank you!

OUR WEEKLY OFFERING FOR 2/1/26:

\$4,000.00

UPCOMING EVENTS



DATES TO REMEMBER:

- February 8th - Installation of new officers / 5th Sunday after Epiphany / Soup & Sandwich
- February 10th – Food Pantry 3:30 – 5:00PM
- February 14th – Happy Valentine’s Day!
- February 15th – Transfiguration of the Lord / Cookies & Coffee
- February 18th – Ash Wednesday Potluck at 6:00 PM; Service at 7:00 PM

This Week At A Glance

SUNDAY, 2/8

9:00am - Coffee Hour (WR)
9:15am - Choir Practice (S)
10:00am - Worship Service (S)

****Installation of new officers***

****5th Sunday after Epiphany***

10:15am – Sunday School

****Soup & Sandwich***

11:15am – Deacons Meeting ((WR)

MONDAY, 2/9

7:00pm - Scout Troop #105 (SH)

TUESDAY, 2/10

3:30pm – Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY, 2/11

5:30pm – Choir (S)

THURSDAY, 2/12

9:30am – Circle 3 (WR)

FRIDAY, 2/13

9:00am – Men’s Study Group (WR)

SATURDAY, 2/14

7:00pm - AA

SUNDAY, 2/15

9:00am - Coffee Hour (WR)

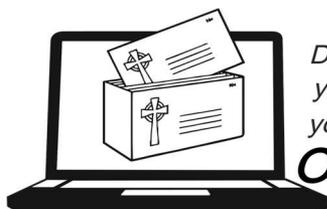
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10:15am – Sunday School

****Cookies & Coffee***

****Transfiguration of the Lord***



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you can give
your offerings*

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