

NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Sunday, February 1 - Scout Sunday

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed at both services

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

Monday, February 2

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers Rehearsal

Tuesday, February 3

9:15 a.m. - Presbyterian Women Morning Circle

7:00 p.m. - Presbyterian Women Evening Circle (Pot Luck Dinner)

Wednesday, February 4

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, February 8 - Souper Bowl of Caring

9:00 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

10:00 a.m. - Combined Worship Service

11:00 a.m. - Annual Congregational Meeting

11:30 a.m. - Brunch hosted by the Men's Council

Monday, February 9

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers Rehearsal

Tuesday, February 10

7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee in the Crossroads Classroom

7:15 p.m. - Worship Committee will meet in the Enquiry Classroom

Wednesday, February 11

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, February 15

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

Monday, February 16

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers Rehearsal

Tuesday, February 17

7:15 p.m. - Joint Officers Stated Meeting - side room of Wilbanks Hall

Wednesday, February 18 - Ash Wednesday

7:00 p.m. - Worship Service

7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, February 22

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

Monday, February 23

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers Rehearsal

Wednesday, February 25

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, March 1

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8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages



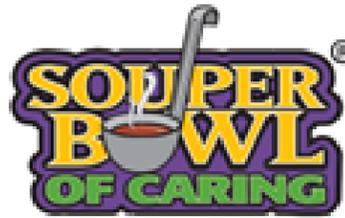
Wednesday, February 18 @ 7:00 p.m.

The [Reformed Church in America](#), describes Ash Wednesday as a day "focused on prayer, fasting, and repentance."

May we begin this holy season by acknowledging our need for repentance and our need for the love and forgiveness shown to us in Jesus Christ. I invite you, therefore, in the name of Christ, to observe a Holy Lent, by self-examination and penitence, by prayer and fasting, by practicing works of love, and by reading and reflecting on God's Holy Word.

Annual Congregational Meeting

Due to inclement weather this past weekend, the Session has agreed that it would be in our best interest that we change the originally scheduled meeting. The new meeting time will be at **11:00 a.m. on Sunday, February 8.** We will have **Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.** and a **combined worship service at 10:00 a.m. followed by the Annual Congregational Meeting.** After the congregational meeting the Men's Council will host a brunch for all. It is important to have as many members at the meeting as possible in order to form a quorum.



On Sunday, February 8 the L.I.F.E. Youth will be accepting donations of non-perishable food items or monetary donations. All Contributions will be given to Sharing Life.

Won't you help us Tackle Hunger and score a goal in our area for those in need in 2026.

Elder Sign-up Sheet has been posted in the hall by Rev. Doughton's Office. Please sign-up today!

SIGN UP

Having trouble hearing during worship?

We have listening devices available in the Welcome Center, if so desired.

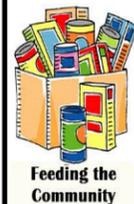


Having trouble reading the hymnal?

We also have hymnals with large print available.



Ushers will be glad to assist you with any and all your needs.



THE CHALLENGE

The 100 Can Challenge continues as we collect can goods and other non-perishable items. The donated items will be given to Sharing Life, as they feed those in need in our community. Our total items collected thus far in January is **91 items.**

Thank you to all who contribute!

THOSE WHO SERVE

Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton, Pastor
Ryoji Shimpo, Director of Music Ministries/Organist & Pianist
Renee Stormer, Administrative Assistant
Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Wilbanks, Pastor Emeritus

GUIDE TO WORSHIP

February 1, 2026

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

About the Cover Picture

A pastor friend of mine posted this meme on Facebook last week. This humorous picture demonstrates the interesting relationship between Job, Ecclesiastes, and Proverbs. This Sunday we will take a look at Job.

Proverbs

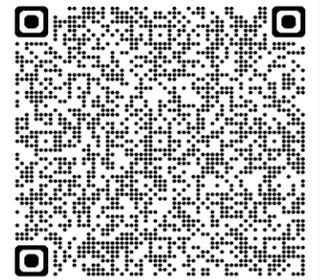
I show people how wisdom will keep you safe, happy and prosperous.

Job

Ecclesiastes

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *This Is My Father's World* arr. Richard Williamson

INTROIT 627 *I Love You, Lord* Laurie Klein
I love You, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You;
O my soul, rejoice. Take joy, my King, in what You hear;
may it be a sweet, sweet sound to Your ear.

CALL TO WORSHIP *Philippians 1:2; Psalm 34:1, 22, 3*
Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
And also to you.

We will bless the Lord at all times, His praise shall continually be in our mouths. The Lord redeems the lives of His servants; none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned. O magnify the Lord with me and let us worship His name together.

*HYMN 370 *This Is My Father's World*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty, Holy, and Gracious God; we confess that we have not looked to Your light, we have not followed Your ways, we have not sought Your perfect wisdom. We have done what we should not have done. We have neglected to do the actions You call us to do. We have not loved as You call us to love. We have not thought through our days as You call us to think. Forgive us, we pray, by the forgiveness we have in Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit give us minds to think, wills to act, and hearts to love that bring honor and glory to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE *(Hymn 581)*

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. A—men. A—men.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS #

ANTHEM *(11:00) Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*
Chancel Choir arr. Hal H. Hopson

Come, Thou Fount of every Blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's unchanging love!
(continued)

Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily, daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
Prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, O Take and seal it;
Take and seal it for Thy courts above.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #

All-knowing God-as we hear Your word read and preached, may it startle us from our status quo, may it heal us where we are wounded, and may it inspire us where we are discouraged. May it light our paths and lead us to a new day in Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON * *Job 1:1, 19:25*

1 There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil.
19:25 For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last He will stand upon the earth;

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON * *Proverbs 3:5*

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight.

THIRD SCRIPTURE LESSON * *Matthew 26:36, 42*

36 Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray."
42 Again He went away for the second time and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, Your will be done."
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES *(11:00)*

The Children and Youth are asked to come forward at this time.

*HYMN 440 *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

SERMON *When Wisdom Fails - or Does It?* Rev. Doughton

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*
Ryoji Shimpo, pianist arr. Mark Hayes

*DOXOLOGY *(Hymn 606)*

**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 †

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and The 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.

Words of Institution

Reception of the Sacrament

Prayer after Communion

*HYMN 737 *Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE 550 *Give Praise to the Lord* C. Herbert H. Parry

Give praise to the Lord, and sing a new song;
amid all the saints God's praises prolong;
a song to your Maker and Ruler now raise,
all children of Zion: rejoice and give praise.

POSTLUDE *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* arr. Lloyd Larson

Please be seated for the Postlude.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elders # - Sheila Hammer *(8:45)*; Eric Schwartz *(11:00)*

Deacon/Ushers † - Dallas Ward, Sharon Condarco,
and Bryan Sanders *(8:45)*;

Dallas Ward, Sharon Condarco,
Bryan Sanders, and Linda Fricke *(11:00)*

Youth Reader * - Quinn Cato *(11:00)*