

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 19, 2025 9:30 A.M.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

(803) 787-4413

3909 Forest Drive, Columbia, SC 29204 Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 9 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.; Fri 9 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

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WELCOME! We are delighted to have you worship with us. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to share ours. Please sign our "Friendship Register" providing the requested information. Be sure to introduce yourself to Pastor Andrew; he would love to meet you.

NURSERY The nursery is open for parents to take their small children during worship service. The space is available but not staffed. Parents are invited to take their children to play. For your convenience a TV is provided to watch a live stream of the worship service. Please make yourself at home and pick up toys before leaving. For your safety, the Education Building is locked. Please see an usher to open the door if you do not have a key.

FOR THOSE CHILDREN REMAINING IN THE SANCTUARY, Quiet Bags filled with activities are hanging on the coat racks in the Narthex. Parents of young children are invited to pick up a bag at the beginning of the service. Ushers can direct you to their location.

ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS ARE WELCOME TO THE FEAST AT THE LORD'S TABLE.

If you are unable to come forward for communion, please notify an usher so that communion may be brought to you at your seat. If you are unable to receive either the bread or wine, please be assured that the fullness of our Lord's presence is complete in either element alone. Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available; please let the communion server know of your need. Young children who commune should be assisted by their parents.

A PRAYER BOX is located in the Narthex for any Prayer Requests that you might have.

PLEASE SEE THE CALENDAR in this bulletin for a listing of events taking place at Good Shepherd this week. There is also a monthly calendar on the web page at www.gslc.com.

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND WORSHIP, our services are live-streamed and archived for viewing at other times. See the web page at www.gslc.com for links to these services.

THE GOOD SHEPHERD FOOD PANTRY collects non-perishable food items throughout the month with special emphasis on collection the third Sunday of every month. It is open for distribution Wednesdays from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH FAMILY, especially those you have not seen for a while. Send a card, make a phone call, or pay a visit. Let them know we love and care for them and wish them God's blessings.

THE CHURCH OFFICE is closed on Saturdays and Sundays. Office hours are Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. In the event of an emergency, call the church office at (803) 787-4413 or Pastor Andrew Isenhower at (803) 409-8270. His email address is pastor@gslc.com.

+ GATHERING +

As we gather for worship, please be aware of those around you who may be in a time of quiet reflection before the service starts. Please remember to silence any electronic devices.

PRELUDE SONGS OF THANKFULNESS AND PRAISE MANZ, CHERWIEN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Please sign the attendance sheet.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS Congregation stands.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, # one God,

our creator,

our protector,

our wellspring of life.

Amen.

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God.

you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

Forgive us for the ways we act

with judgment, cruelty, or indifference.

We ignore the needs of our neighbors;

we resist your call to oppose injustice;

we give in to scarcity and fear;

we assume the worst about one another.

Cleanse us from our faults

and release us from their grasp.

Show us your lovingkindness.

Restore our hearts and repair your world,

that we may live in Christ's ways.

Amen.

God proclaims these words of assurance:

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by name. You are mine."

In ⊕ Christ, you are forgiven.

In the Spirit, you are made free.

Refreshed by the waters of mercy,

live anew as beloved children of God.

Amen.

The congregation turns to face the cross in procession, reminding us that Christ leads us into the presence and love of God.

GATHERING HYMN 641

ALL ARE WELCOME

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

Refrain

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

- 2 Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew.

 Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: Refrain
- 3 Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground

where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
Refrain

- 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger: Refrain
- 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
 Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: *Refrain*

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

+ WORD +

FIRST READING Congregation sits.

ISAIAH 62:1-5

A reading from Isaiah.

¹ For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest. until her vindication shines out like the dawn. and her salvation like a burning torch. ² The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. ³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴ You shall no more be termed Forsaken. and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. ⁵ For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you. The Word of the Lord.

PSALM 36:5-10

Thanks be to God.

⁵ Your love, O LORD, reaches | to the heavens, and your faithfulness | to the clouds.

 6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like † the great deep; you save humankind and ani- † mals, O LORD.

⁷How priceless is your | love, O God!

All people take refuge under the shadow | of your wings.

⁸ They feast upon the abundance | of your house; you give them drink from the river of | your delights.

⁹ For with you is the | well of life, and in your light | we see light.

¹⁰ Continue your lovingkindness to | those who know you, and your favor to those who are | true of heart.

SECOND READING

1 CORINTHIANS 12:1-11

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

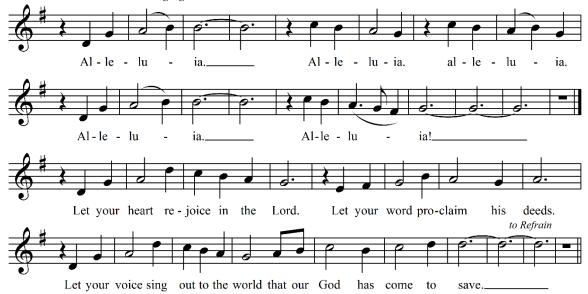
¹ Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ² You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³ Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by

the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Congregation stands.



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GOSPEL JOHN 2:1-11

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴ And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹ When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PASTOR ANDREW ISENHOWER

SERMON

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HYMN OF THE DAY 310 Congregation stands.

- 1 Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise; manifested by the star to the sages from afar, branch of royal David's stem in thy birth at Bethlehem: anthems be to thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.
- 2 Manifest at Jordan's stream, prophet, priest, and king supreme; and at Cana wedding guest in thy Godhead manifest; manifest in pow'r divine, changing water into wine; anthems be to thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.

SONGS OF THANKFULNESS AND PRAISE

- 3 Manifest in making whole weakened body, fainting soul; manifest in valiant fight, quelling all the devil's might; manifest in gracious will, ever bringing good from ill: anthems be to thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.
- 4 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, present in thy holy word; grace to imitate thee now and be pure, as pure art thou; that we might become like thee at thy great epiphany, and may praise thee, ever blest, God in flesh made manifest.

APOSTLES' CREED

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION Congregation kneels or sits.

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Giver of gifts, you form each member of the church to serve. Inspire us to boldly use gifts of welcome and healing, service and teaching, leading and preaching, for the sake of your work in the world. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Refuge of creatures, you place all the living under the shadow of your wings. Lead us in ways that tend to the needs of wild and domestic animals, creatures threatened by extinction, and the environment we share. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Voice of the oppressed, you call prophets throughout time. We remember the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a voice for racial and economic justice and for peace. Guide our nation in continuing to heed your prophetic call. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of steadfast love, as Jesus celebrated at Cana, nurture marriages and relationships in mutual care; in times of separation or divorce hold tenderly broken hearts and broken dreams. Be present to all who are sick, grieving or in any need, especially those whom we name now. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Spirit of peace, celebrating this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we pray for neighboring congregations and ministry sites. Nurture our shared commitment to embody Jesus' love, justice, and healing. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Wellspring of life, in living and dying we trust in you. We give thanks for the saints. Guide us in our living until, at last, we rest in you. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

Amen.

PEACE Congregation stands.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

+ MEAL +

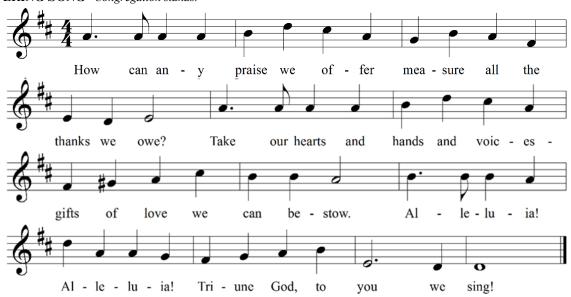
OFFERING Congregation sits.

ANTHEM

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

JONES

OFFERING SONG Congregation stands.



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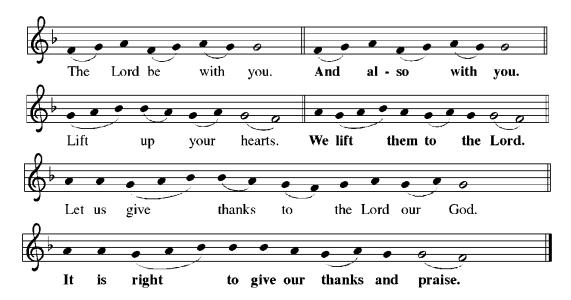
OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

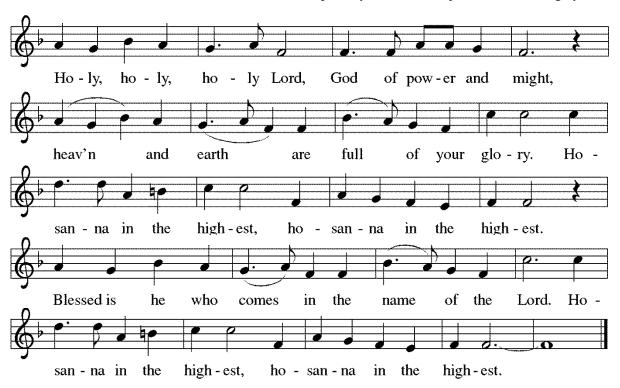
God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

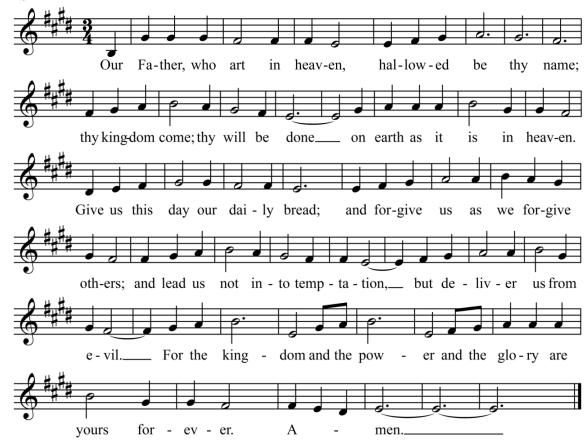
For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **Amen**

LORD'S PRAYER



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

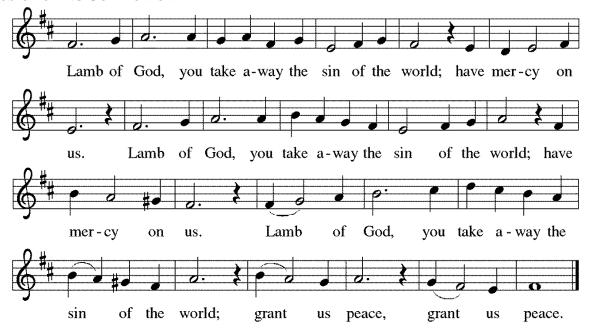
The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION Congregation sits.

All baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's table. Young children who commune should be assisted by their parents. If you are unable to receive either the bread or wine, please be assured that the fullness of our Lord's presence is complete in either element. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available; please let the communion server know of your need. After communing, please return to your seat. If you are unable to come to the altar, please notify an usher so that communion may be brought to you.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION



COMMUNION HYMN 798

WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME

BLESSING OF THE COMMUNICANTS Congregation stands.

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Nourishing God,

at this table you have refreshed us

with holy gifts of food and drink.

Strengthen us for service,

and send us out to embody your good news

of liberation and healing for the sake of the world.

In the name of Christ we pray,

Amen.

+ SENDING +

BENEDICTION

BLESSING AND SENDING FOR MISSION

Rod Kent and Cathy Milejczak will be traveling to Tanzania for the dedication of farm equipment. We wish them a safe journey and give thanks for our sisters and brothers in Christ in Tanzania and around the world.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to reconcile the world to yourself. We praise and bless you for those whom you send to witness in word and deed among the nations. Bless Rod and Cathy in the work you have called them to do, so that they may faithfully accompany those among whom they are sent, show your love to all people, and glorify your name; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The congregation faces the cross as it leaves the sanctuary, following the cross as we follow Jesus into the world. All remain facing the cross for the dismissal.

SENDING HYMN 576

WE ALL ARE ONE IN MISSION

- We all are one in mission;
 we all are one in call,
 our varied gifts united
 by Christ, the Lord of all.
 A single great commission
 compels us from above
 to plan and work together
 that all may know Christ's love.
- We all are called for service, to witness in God's name.
 Our ministries are diff'rent; our purpose is the same:

- to touch the lives of others with God's surprising grace, so ev'ry folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.
- 3 Now let us be united, and let our song be heard. Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word. We all are one in mission; we all are one in call, our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live in hope. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

WE ALL ARE ONE IN MISSION

SEDIO

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LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Brickmont of John's Creek Assisted Living – Lena Duncan

Harmony – Billie Jones

The Heritage at Lowman – Rosemarie Brown, Marianne De Werdt

Merrill Gardens – Mary Clare McAbee

The Palmettos – Sara Loyd

Rice Estate – Grace Boozer

Wellmore of Lexington – Dot Correll

Wellmore of Daniel Island – Barbara Sutton

At their homes – Gwen Barnes, Sylvia Anne Derrick, Larry Evans, Bonnie Hammond, Jeannine Jameson, Justine Parker

JANUARY 12, 2025 ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

9:30 a.m. Worship Service: 111 Sunday School: 38

OTHER MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS

Altar Flowers	\$395	Pastor's Discretionary Fund	\$605
Food Pantry	\$100	Capital Improvement Fund	\$30
GSLC T-Shirts	\$45	Offering Envelope Collection	\$50
2025 Congregational Retreat	\$550	Lutheran Disaster Response	\$100
		VANCO – Processing fee	\$1

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Bettie Stroud to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her "daddy."

THE ALTAR ROSE is given by Joey Allison to the Glory of God and in honor of Roma Ryan for her birthday on January 20.

STILL NEED ANNUAL REPORTS – There are still committee chairpersons, presidents, and treasurers of organizations that have not turned in their information to the church office. The 2024 Annual Report is a vital document that helps with historical information in the life of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Please turn in your report to the church office at parishadmin@gslc.com.

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – Packets from the month's council meeting are available on the table under the bulletin board in the Narthex. This packet consists of the current committee minutes/reports and approved prior month's council meeting minutes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY bulletins are due by 12 noon each Wednesday. Email your announcements to Deborah Mitchell, Parish Administrator, at parishadmin@gslc.com.

PLEASE SEE THE MONTHLY CALENDAR – on the web page at www.gslc.com for a listing of events taking place at Good Shepherd.

^{*}Budgeted Weekly Benevolence Collections needed: \$9,325

^{*}Current Expenses & Benevolences Received: \$3,980

SERVING IN WORSHIP

USHERS Wade Wingard, Mike Weaver, Rebecca Richardson, Mary

Aitchison, Ben Haigh

LECTORStacy GrossCOMMUNION ASSTStacy Gross

ACOLYTE William Snodgrass CRUCIFER Amanda Snodgrass

ALTAR GUILD Janet Lockhart, Elaine Zornow, Donna Haigh

TABULATORS Mary Margaret Hoy, Mary Stallings

CC PERSON OF MONTH Deb Whitlow

THIS WEEK AT GSLC

	TIMS WEEKAT GSEC
January 19	Food Pantry Sunday
	9:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	10:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School (CL 1, 2, Parlor)
	10:45-11:45 a.m. Confirmation Class (E-112)
	10:45-11:45 a.m. Youth Sunday School (Youth Room)
	10:45-11:25 a.m. Children's Sunday School (E-111 & E-113)
	11:25-11:45 a.m. Children's Music (E-115)
	6:30 p.m. Council meeting (Conference Room)
January 20	6:00 p.m. Staff Support meeting (Conference Room)
January 21	11:30 a.m. Bible Study (Conference Room)
January 22	8:00 a.m. Zoom Bible Study
	7:00 p.m. Choir Practice (Choir Room)
January 23	6:00 p.m. Learning Committee meeting (Conference Room)
January 19	9:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	10:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School (CL 1, 2, Parlor)
	10:45-11:45 a.m. Confirmation Class (E-112)
	10:45-11:45 a.m. Youth Sunday School (Youth Room)
	10:45-11:25 a.m. Children's Sunday School (E-111 & E-113)
	11:25-11:45 a.m. Children's Music (E-115)

2025 CONGREGATION COUNCIL



OFFICERS

President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer

<u>MEMBERS</u>	<u>COMMITTEE</u>	TERM ENDS
Deb Bodie	Communication	2025
Sid Havird	Evangelism	2026
David Lucas	Finance	2026
Kate Ferlauto	Gifts	2026
Barbara Nagy	Learning	2025
Deb Whitlow	Parish Life	2026
Richard Inman	Property	2025
Mary Margaret Hoy	Social Ministry	2026
Becky Shealy	Worship Life	2026
Chris Herrmann	Youth & Children	2025

OUR MISSION

We are a community of all ages gathered by God's grace for worship, learning, loving, and service to all.

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