

...the **Gentiles** have become fellow **heirs, members** of the same body, and **sharers** in the promise in **Christ Jesus** through the **gospel**.



EPHESIANS 3:6, NRSV

## **Order of Worship**

***Striving to be what Christ tells us through Scripture.***

January 19, 2025

10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

*"Word of God Speak"*  
Amy Duran, piano

Bart Millard

WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT

### ***Our Approach to God***

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 98

Leader: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

**People: Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

Leader: While I kept silent, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.

**People: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

Leader: Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord

**People: Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.**

\*HYMN

*"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"*

#225

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Pastor Waldis

CHANCEL CHOIR

*"Christ Beside Me"*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

### ***The Word of God***

\*HYMN

*"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"*

#426

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Ruth 1:15-17  
Galatians 2:11-16  
Curtis Stock, liturgist

p. 241 (OT)  
p. 188 (NT)

SERMON *“One in Christ”* Pastor Waldis

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

***Our Response to God***

BELL CHOIR *“Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”* arr. Krug

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER #815

JOYS, THANKS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

THE GENERAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

\*HYMN *“We Are Called to Be God’s People”* #415

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE *“He Is Exalted”* Twila Paris

Amy Duran, piano

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**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Anonymous; Lynn Baker; DeAnna and Roger Carman; Ernie Hepperle; Janet Kosack; Nancy Lanzalotto; Charles Moorman; Ed Serrano; Craig Terjanian; Barry Wood.

**UNITY PRAYER:** We pray, God, that your all-sufficient grace and mercy would move us to serve you and to serve others so that your kingdom may be served.

**THE FLOWERS** are given by the Guild for Christian Service to the glory of God.

**ACCORDING TO THE BOOK OF CHURCH ORDER**, consistories are required to publish the names of persons elected as elders and deacons preceding their installation in order that “any legitimate objections may be presented to the Board of Elders for its judgment.” Those elected at our January 5<sup>th</sup> congregational meeting and scheduled for installation on February 9<sup>th</sup> are listed below. Please speak to Les Cox or Zach Waldis if you have any questions.

Class of 2026

**Elders:** Jeff Parma

**Deacons:** Jeff Pond

**THE 2025 FLOWER CALENDAR IS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD.**

Sign up to donate flowers for worship to memorialize a loved one or celebrate an occasion. The cost is \$25 per bouquet; make your checks payable to Guild for Christian Service; fill out a dedication slip; place it on Lori’s desk in the church office. Please--no more than 2 bouquets per Sunday.

**Bible Study with Pastor Zach**

Pastor Zach is leading a Bible study on the New Testament Book of Galatians. The Bible study is held after worship on Sundays in Johnson Chapel starting around 11:30 AM. The study will be for six weeks. All are welcome to attend. Please advise if you need babysitting services.

**ANOTHER GAME NIGHT (late afternoon)** will be held this afternoon, Sunday, January 19 from 4 to 6 PM. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. We had a fun time in November when we last met and look forward to doing it again. Bring a friend or two!

**CHECK OUT THE CART** in the hallway as you come in the Spring Street door! There are a number of books focused on Bible Study and spiritual growth. There are also Bibles of various translations. Please take as many as you want!

Galatians 2: 11-16 One in Christ

Exegesis (Background)

1. Paul is confronting \_\_\_\_\_ parts of the church.
2. Jew and Gentile can be \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus.
3. Jesus makes us \_\_\_\_\_.

Life Application

God's family is open to \_\_\_\_\_.

We must affirm the \_\_\_\_\_ of all people.

Where you go I will go,  
and where you stay I will stay.  
Your people will be my people  
and your God my God.

Ruth 1:16

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