

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**  
**January 18, 2026**  
**Second Sunday After Epiphany**

**PRELUDE**

Tommy Clay, Jr.

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

**OPENING SENTENCES**

Linda Mahoney

Look, here is the Lamb of God!  
**Jesus calls us: Come and see**

**GATHERING PRAYER**

**Almighty God, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world. May your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**HYMN**

“In Christ Called to Baptize”

Hymn #297

In Christ called to baptize,  
we witness to grace and gather  
a people from each land and race.  
In deep, flowing waters,  
We share in Christ's death,  
Then, rising to new life,  
Give thanks with each breath.

In Christ called to banquet,  
one table we share,  
a haven of welcome, a circle of care.  
Although we are many,  
We share in one bread.  
One cup of thanksgiving proclaims Christ,  
Our head

In Christ called to witness,  
By grace we will preach the life-giving gospel;  
God's love we will teach.

By grace may our living give proof to our praise  
In costly compassion reflecting Christ's ways.

Unite us, anoint us, O Spirit of love,  
For you are within us, around us, above.  
Equip us for service with gifts you bestow.  
In Christ is our calling. In Christ may we grow.

## **CONFESSION AND PARDON**

**In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us  
amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that  
we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to  
the glory of your holy name.**

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!  
**Thanks be to God!**

**GLORIA PATRI**      "Glory Be to the Father"      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, Amen."

**ANTHEM**      "Holy Ground"      Chancel Choir

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

### **SCRIPTURE**

#### ***First Reading***

Isaiah 49:1-7      p.517, OT

#### ***Second Reading***

I Corinthians 1:1-9      p.127, NT

#### ***Gospel Reading***

John 1:29-42      p.70, OT

### **Isaiah 49:1-7**

Listen to me, O coastlands;  
pay attention, you peoples from far away!  
The Lord called me before I was born;  
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.  
<sup>2</sup> He made my mouth like a sharp sword;  
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;

he made me a polished arrow;  
in his quiver he hid me away.  
<sup>3</sup> And he said to me, "You are my servant,  
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."  
<sup>4</sup> But I said, "I have labored in vain;  
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;  
yet surely my cause is with the Lord  
and my reward with my God."  
<sup>5</sup> And now the Lord says,  
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him,  
and that Israel might be gathered to him,  
for I am honored in the sight of the Lord,  
and my God has become my strength—  
<sup>6</sup> he says,  
"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant  
to raise up the tribes of Jacob  
and to restore the survivors of Israel;  
I will give you as a light to the nations,  
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."  
<sup>7</sup> Thus says the Lord,  
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,  
the slave of rulers,  
"Kings shall see and stand up;  
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,  
because of the Lord, who is faithful,  
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

### **I Corinthians 1:1-9**

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,  
and our brother Sosthenes,

<sup>2</sup> To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are  
sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all  
those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus  
Christ, both their Lord and ours:

<sup>3</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord  
Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup> I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace  
of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup> for in every  
way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge

of every kind— <sup>6</sup>just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— <sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful, by whom you were called into the partnership of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **John 1:29-42**

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup>This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ <sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” <sup>32</sup>And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup>I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>34</sup>And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One.”

<sup>35</sup>The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup>and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” <sup>37</sup>The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup>When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” <sup>39</sup>He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup>One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. <sup>41</sup>He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup>He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

Cliff Lyda

“Come And See...You Might Have Your Name Changed”

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostle's Creed)**

Hymnal p.35

**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 at 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.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** (with the Lord's Prayer)

Hymnal p.35

**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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**OFFERING MUSIC**

Tommy Clay, Jr.

**DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

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.”

**HYMN** “Somebody's Knocking at Your Door” Hymn #728

Somebody's knocking at your door;  
somebody's knocking at your door;  
O sinner, why don't you answer?  
Somebody's knocking at your door.

Knocks like Jesus.  
Somebody's knocking at your door.  
Knocks like Jesus.  
Somebody's knocking at your door.  
O sinner, why don't you answer?  
Somebody's knocking at your door.

Can't you hear him?  
Somebody's knocking at your door.  
Can't you hear him?  
Somebody's knocking at your door.  
O sinner, why don't you answer?  
Somebody's knocking at your door.

Answer Jesus.  
Somebody's knocking at your door.  
Answer Jesus.  
Somebody's knocking at your door.  
O sinner, why don't you answer?  
Somebody's knocking at your door.

## **BLESSING AND CHARGE**

## **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

“Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place”

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;  
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.  
I can hear the brush of angel's wings,  
I see glory on each face;  
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

## **POSTLUDE**

Tommy Clay, Jr.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS: (Details on our website, Facebook, Realm & 386-385-3040.)**

***170<sup>th</sup> Church Birthday is on February 15, 2026  
after worship.***

## **Church Activities**

**Small Groups**-Sunday 9:15 am; Tues. 4:00 pm; Wed. 5:00 pm.

**Presbyterian Women**-Circles meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday,  
10:30am & 6:30pm.

**Social Connections**-Thurs.1pm in Zoom Rm. Contact  
Shaaron Kohl 864-378-7032.

**Quilting Group**-Friday's at 10:00 in the Zoom Room,  
Welcoming new members.

**Outreach Ministries**

**Bread of Life**-January needs are Italian Dressing packets,  
Mayonnaise (Jars), Bottled Water.

**Shower Ministry**-Thurs. from 2-6pm

**PC3 Ministry**-Monday 2-6pm

**Meridian/Grace Market Place**-Thurs. 2-4pm in the Bartram  
Rm a representative for assistance.

**CDC (Chemical Dependency Counseling)**-Mon. 8-12; Tues.  
8-6, Wed. 8-6, Sat. 8-6.

**Ascend Music Ministry**-contact Felecia Nelson for an  
interview/audition [pinkorchidjfn@aol.com](mailto:auditionpinkorchidjfn@aol.com).

**Financial Report** – 2025 ended with a deficit of \$5,913.  
Total revenue in 2025 was lower than 2024. Remember that  
any contributions that come I specifically designated for  
Westminster Hall between now and the end of February will be  
matched up to \$40,000.

**The Brick Opportunity** *to build a space rooted in legacy,  
community, and faith, one brick at a time. (#23)* For more  
details go to our website [fpcpalatka.com](http://fpcpalatka.com).