



# Rising Above The Noise

## God's Voice Through The Noise

January 3 & 4, 2026

### **Psalm 46:10**

[God] says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

### **Psalm 139:14**

I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

### **Galatians 5:22-23**

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things.

### **Message Notes**

1. Think Slow
2. Filter What You Hear
3. Bear Fruit

### **Food for Thought**

As we enter the new year, what are your hopes? What are the struggles that you can leave behind?

What are the difficulties that you can't just let go, that you'll be bringing with you? How will you lean on God in the midst of those struggles?

What are some ways you can find space to have a daily time with God this year? How might that impact you? Your family?

What are the negative voices that come at you? The criticisms, negativity, harsh opinions? What are some first thoughts on how you can hear God's voice in the midst of the 'noise' of the world?

What is one important way you hope to be a part of a better 2026? In your own life? In the world?

**STILL WATERS** exists to **FIND** the lost, **RELEASE** the captive and **DEVELOP** disciples of Jesus

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Worship Hours: Saturday 5:00 pm; Sunday 9:00 am & 10:30 am

Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-2pm

## Happy Birthday!

Jan 4	Barb Johnson, Mark Kitzke, Jacob Metzler, Aazarlus Wiensch
Jan 5	Karri Shill
Jan 7	Vincent Hanson, Mary Lou Stelter, Jax Schmalzriedt
Jan 9	Rick Jasinski, Jim Phillips, Jackson Ruffing

## Happy Anniversary!

Jan 4	Bruce & Shelli Ellis
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### Ushers

#### Saturday

5pm	Jan Giza Sandra Grasse
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### Greeters

	Lisa Gildersleeve Kelly Passineau
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### Communion

#### Sunday

9am	Susie Klostermann Sandra Grasse	The Flechner Family	Al & Mary Helsell The Flechner Family
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10:30am	Linda Kleinhans Kelly Passineau	Pat Swanstrom Diana Schoen	Linda Kleinhans Kelly Passineau Don & Debbie Koloski
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Greetings, Still Waters Family and Friends! Here we are on the last day of 2025- wow!!! As I mentioned in my prayer last weekend, maybe there are some things you'd like to leave behind! There are other things that you'd like to leave behind, but you know they will be coming with you into 2026. And there are of course many joys and celebrations that we bring with us into the new year. So we balance the difficulties with the hopes and dreams and possibilities for new beginnings! This weekend I am very excited for our new worship series, "Rising Above the Noise." There is so much 'noise' all around us: people's opinions, criticisms, our own inner voices that are not at all helpful, not to mention media and information that comes to us daily. How do we rise above the noise? This weekend we will begin our search for the ways we can hear God's voice in the midst of the noise of our world and of our own lives. This weekend I will have several resources that have truly changed my life this last year, as I've been on that quest to hear God's voice more clearly as the noise at times can just be deafening! I can't wait to greet you in 2026! We're back to three worship services, Saturday at 5:00 and Sunday at 9:00 and 10:30.

Here are more details of this and other upcoming opportunities:

### **Holy Yoga Tuesdays**

Holy Yoga will resume on Tuesday, January 6, at 8:45 am. Holy Yoga will continue to meet in 2026, Tuesdays, 8:45 a.m. for an hour each week. Donation of \$10 each session suggested. No need to sign up- just come! What a great time to try this intentional practice of connecting with God once per week on Tuesday mornings for an hour! Contact Nancy Maier or Robin Olson with questions.

### **"Love Kindness" January Study**, Mondays, Tuesdays, or Wednesdays

In a world where everyone wants their voices heard and people disagree and have struggles... How can we be kind? What if kindness is neither timid nor frail, but is a revolutionary way that Jesus called us to live... The way of selfless risks. The way of staggering hope. The way of authenticity. Start the year out right and join us for a six week study, based on the book, "Love Kindness," by Barry H. Corey, beginning the first full week of January! Choose the study that works best in your schedule:

- **Mondays at 7:00 p.m.** (facilitated by Pastor Lori) beginning January 5
- **Tuesdays, at 10:00 a.m.** (facilitated by Robin Jasinski) beginning January 6
- **Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.** (facilitated by Jena Metzler) beginning January 7

Book is \$19. Sign up online or on your Connection Card.

### **Dinner and a Movie Night**

Friday, January 9, 2026. Chili Dinner at 6:30pm followed at 7:00pm by the movie "A Man Called Otto" staring Tom Hanks. When a lively young family moves in next door, grumpy widower Otto Anderson meets his match in a quick-witted woman named Marisol who is expecting, leading to an unlikely friendship that turns his world upside down. A free will offering will be taken to help cover costs of the meal. (Sponsored by Still Waters Women, but all are welcome!)

### **The Flock, Sunday January 11, 5:00 p.m.**

#### ***Fellowship and Informational Meeting for Youth, Parents, and Siblings***

"The Flock" is the name given to a monthly gathering for an informational meeting for youth, parents, and siblings. Snacks available. Sign up online or on the Connection Card.

### **Feeding America**

Join us on **Wednesday, January 14** (always the 2nd Wednesday of the month) at **1:00 p.m.** for this very important ministry to distribute food to those who are food insecure. On-the-job training is always available; we often have new volunteers each month, so no worries if it's your first time. We'd love to welcome you!

### **Souper Sunday, January 18th, 11:45 a.m.**

Join us for Souper Sunday on January 18!... an awesome meal for our congregation, sponsored by our youth on the third Sunday of each month. Come warm up from the cold weather with the warmth of a great meal/intergenerational fellowship. Free will offering accepted, and proceeds will benefit our amazing youth ministry. Sign up on your Connection Card or website. Contact Lisa with questions.

### **Still Waters Women**

Calling all women... come on **Sunday, January 18**, and enjoy meeting with other women of all ages for planning and fellowship after the 2nd Sunday worship service, approximately 11:45 a.m. Sign up on the Connection Card or website.

### **VBS Pizza & Planning!**

Yes, you read that right! This year we are starting off our VBS planning early to have even more of an impact! If you'd like to get in on the excitement of planning for one of our Children's Ministry major events, we invite you to our Vacation Bible School (VBS) Planning Meeting on **Sunday, January 25th, 12:00pm**. We'll order pizza and get the creative ideas flowing! Please sign up on the Connection Card or on our website so we'll know of your interest. Contact Jena at [jenametzler@gmail.com](mailto:jenametzler@gmail.com) with any questions.

### **Family Promise, Week of January 26th - February 1st**

Our week to partner with Family Promise is coming! The week of January 26th - February 1st, we will be partnering with Family Promise by making dinners for the families experiencing homelessness that are in the program. As we get closer to the time we'll update the number of people (it changes as families transition out of and into the Family Promise program) and any dietary restrictions. If you'd like to make a meal that week, please sign up online or on your Connection Card. Contact Kelly ([kpassin@gmail.com](mailto:kpassin@gmail.com)) or Vicki Passineau ([vsp0013@gmail.com](mailto:vsp0013@gmail.com)) with questions.

Grace and peace, everyone!

Pastor Lori