

ORDER OF WORSHIP
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
JANUARY 18, 2026 10:00 am Green

GATHERING

RINGING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** LET US GREET OUR WORSHIPING NEIGHBORS**

PRELUDE:

INTROIT: *Spirit Song*

INVOCATION:

Sunny Fry
UMH #452

*** HYMN OF PRAISE:** *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

*** CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Sing a new song,

People: a song of thanks and praise,

Leader: for God has done wondrous deeds,

People: and is great beyond compare!

*** RINGING OF THE TRINITY**

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

CALL TO PRAYER: *O Lord Hear My Prayer*

Chancel Choir

MORNING PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer

LET US WORSHIP WITH OUR COINS OF CHANGE

CHILDREN'S TIME:

Lindsay Jackson

LET US WORSHIP WITH OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*** DOXOLOGY:** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

UMH #95

HYMN OF PREPARATION: *Thy Word is a Lamp*

UMH #601 vs 1

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

**When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me,
and nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end.**

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 49:1-7

Janice Heilman

ANTHEM: *Press On*

Chancel Choir

GOSPEL READING: John 1:29-42

Rev. Paula J. Stover

SERMON: "Come and See"

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***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church

UMH #884

SENDING FORTH

*** HYMN OF DEDICATION:** *I Love to Tell the Story*

UMH #156

*** CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Rev. Paula J. Stover

*** BENEDICTION:** *Seven Fold Amen*

Chancel Choir

*** POSTLUDE**

**Congregation Stands—Please stand as you are able in body or in spirit.*



Flowers for today were given to the glory of God by Joanne Ryals in memory of her parents.



We welcome you to Socastee United Methodist Church! Thank you for worshipping with us today. We love our new and returning guests and ask that you please put your name and contact information in one of our red pads found in the pews so we can welcome you and get to know you.

Lectionary Readings for:

Third Sunday after the Epiphany - January 25, 2026

Isaiah 9:1-4

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

I Corinthians 1:10-18

Matthew 4:12-23

Nursery Available

Nursery is available in the rear of the sanctuary for children through age 4 during Sunday School and worship. Children's Church is available for ages 4 yrs—3rd grade in the Fellowship Hall after Children's Time.

Membership Opportunity

We will receive new members on Sunday, January 25. If you have questions about joining the church, please contact Pastor Paula by calling the church office at 843-650-3373.

Serving Today

Choir Director/Pianist: Lauren Willis

Organist: Marianne Eaton

Ushers: Steve Shuppy, Ginger Ford, Xander Jackson, Aiden Jackson

Steward: Jean Haselden

Bible Study Update

The Bible Study scheduled for Thursday, January 29th has been **rescheduled** to Wednesday, January 28th at 10:30 am in the John Wesley Room.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS
FOR THIS WEEK AT SUMC**

Today: 10:00 am 11:30 am	January 18 Second Sunday After The Epiphany/NS Bible Study (Scripture and the Skeptic)/FH Room 201
Monday: All Day 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	January 19 Holiday - Church Office will be closed Cub Scouts Pack 891/FH Boy Scout Troop 891/FH
Tuesday: 9:00 am 6:30 pm	January 20 Stitchers/John Wesley Men in Ministry/FH
Wednesday: 9:15 am 4:00 pm 5:45 pm 6:45 pm	January 21 TLC Chapel/NS Disciple Bible Study/FH Adult Bell Choir/Bell Room Chancel Choir Practice/Choir Room
Thursday: 10:30 am 6:00 pm	January 22 Thursday Bible Study/John Wesley Cemetery Committee/John Wesley
Friday: 6:00 pm	January 23 Line Dancing/FH
Saturday: 6:30 am—6:00 pm	January 24 Boy Scouts/FH

Remember our Military Members in Prayer

The addresses of all our military family members will be held in the office and can be made available to anyone who would like them.

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| *Major Jon-Michael Farino (USAF) | *CT4 Halle Rae Anderson |
| *Captain Jennifer and Marc Melfi | *SSgt. Warren Scoggin |
| *Airman First Class Cassie Edwards | *CM Sgt. Jessica Heilman |
| *Captain Melissa Hedges | *M/Sgt. Nicolas McLaughlin |
| *Specialist Isaac Hedges | *Airman William Rogers |

United Methodist Advocate

If you are a new member of SUMC, you are entitled to a FREE one year subscription to "The United Methodist Advocate," the monthly Methodist newspaper found in South Carolina. If you are interested, please contact the church office at 843-650-3373.

Blessing Bags for the Homeless

The Women of Hope have partnered with Dale Willoughby to ensure that we have adequate food to be placed in The Blessing Box. Food Lion has donated reusable grocery bags which can be picked up in the narthex. For your convenience, a list of appropriate items is attached to each bag. You may return your bag/s to the narthex on the first Sunday of each month, or you may drop them off at the church office Monday—Thursday, between 8:30 am and 1:30 pm.

Thank You

A word of gratitude from the staff for the generous way you all remembered us through the love offering gifts we received during Christmas.

Audio/Visual Talents Needed

Each week we welcome people into worship with us by livestreaming on YouTube Live. We also appreciate our sound system that allows us to hear important elements of worship. If you are willing to learn and serve in this way, please let us know by contacting the church office.

Would You be Willing to Usher?

If you would serve the church as part of a team who greet and hand out bulletins and collect our tithes and offerings, please let us know by contacting the church office.

Operation Warm

Between next Sunday, January 25 through the last Sunday of February, the Women of Hope are accepting donations of new or gently used gloves, mittens, and socks for our neighbors in need. This includes men, women, and children. There will be a collection box in the Narthex and one in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you in advance for your warm generosity during these cold months.

OUR PRESENCE 1/11/2026	
10am Service	102
On-Line Views	56

OUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT	
In Hospital	No one at this time.
In Rehabilitation	No one at this time.
In Home Visitations	Kate Eley, Charlotte Minnick, & Emily Michael

OUR GIFTS as of 1/11/2026 Operating Fund	
Received this week	\$8,079.00
YTD Receipts	\$15,867.34
YTD Expenses	Will report in February

Fellowship Hall	
Received this week	\$280.00
YTD Receipts	\$910.00
Required Monthly	\$3,176.26
Loan Balance as of 12/31/25	\$157,026.18

1875 Sanctuary	
Received this week	\$0
YTD Receipts	\$0
Account Balance as of 1/11/26	\$6,895.00

IMPROVEMENTS FOR PRESENT BUILDINGS/GROUNDS	
Coins of Change Received this week	\$72.50
YTD Receipts	\$147.00
Balance as of 1/11/26	\$18,794.39



Giving QR Code

Scan this QR code with your smart phone and the link will take you directly to our secure online giving site in Realm.



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*We are a loving congregation that shows
the love of Christ to the world.*

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