

Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church PC(USA)



January 18, 2026 ~ 9:30AM

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2nd Sunday after Epiphany

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PRELUDE

Largo from Concerto in F minor, RV 297

A. Vivaldi
Arr. J. Bird

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH COMMUNITY

Pastor Nancy Lincoln Reynolds

PASSING OF THE PEACE

INTROIT

You Are My All in All
Adult Choir

D. Jernigan

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Ministry Matters)

Elder Ellen Oakes

Leader: God Almighty, today by the power of Your spirit we unite in prayer,

People: We unite with all our sisters and brothers in Christ.

Leader: We unite with sisters and brothers from all Christian churches and denominations,

People: We unite with all who are joined by the holy spirit of God.

Leader: We unite with followers from every church and congregation,

People: We unite with God's sons and daughters from every creed and culture.

***HYMN 301**

Let Us Build a House
Verses 1, 2, 3, 5

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Taken from Tommy Orlando)

Sarah Wilson, Chaplain

We come before you in humility and repentance acknowledging the truth that our willingness to train for godliness has rarely matched our need for it. We repent of the fact that we have continued to elevate the desires of the flesh above the call of the Spirit.

Help us O God, by your Holy Spirit, to change our course. Help us Lord, by your Holy Spirit, to embrace the disciplines of faith that we know will transform our spirit lives. Help us by your Holy Spirit to enter your holy of holies through the gift of prayer, to cherish the treasure of your Word by faithful study and to commit to our place in your community with contentment and joy as instruments of the Gospel. May you empower us to find fellowship and service as we commit to your community.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Blest Be the Tie That Binds
Adult Choir

J. Nägeli

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI 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, Amen.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Kathryn "Kat" Green, Director of Children's Ministry

ANTHEM

The Lamb
Solo – Phil Hope

M. Burkhardt

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Elder Ellen Oakes

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 133:1, 3b

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1 Corinthians 1:1-10

Pastor Nancy Lincoln Reynolds

SERMON

"United in Mind and Thought and Spirit"

*HYMN 300

We Are One in the Spirit

Verse 1 Solo – Anthony Rivera

Verses 2, 3, 4 - Congregation

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from the Confession of Belhar)

Sarah Wilson, Chaplain

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another. We believe that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain. We believe that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted. We believe that this unity can be established only in freedom and not under constraint; that the variety of spiritual gifts, opportunities, backgrounds, convictions, as well as the various languages and cultures, are by virtue of the reconciliation in Christ, opportunities for mutual service and enrichment within the one visible people of God.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND OFFERING

Elder Ellen Oakes

A portion of today's offering supports our Mission ministry in the area of combatting homelessness and hunger. This includes our donations to the Arundel House of Hope, our engagement with the Winter Relief shelter initiative, and our providing free meals through the Harundale Presbyterian Church lunch program.

To give: text **Woods** to 73256 or go to **"Give"** on **woodschurch.org** or use the **QR-Code** on the back of the bulletin.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

One Song

Adult Choir

P. Choplin

*DOXOLOGY HYMN 607

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sarah Wilson, Chaplain

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***HYMN 317**

In Christ There Is No East or West

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Pastor Nancy Lincoln Reynolds

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Threefold Amen

Adult Choir

M. Haugen

***POSTLUDE**

Postlude in D Minor

A. Bruckner

*Please stand if you are able

Woods Church services are live streamed and available for public viewing via YouTube on our website (www.woodschurch.org). Current church activities and events are also available for viewing. Check us out!

A Stephen Minister will be available, to the side of the chancel by the Stephen Minister banner, at the end of the service to listen and to pray with you. 9:30AM Betsy Stewart

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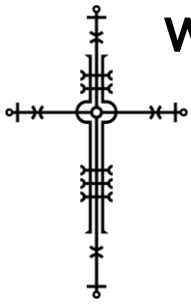


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Welcome to Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church PC(USA)

January 18, 2026

Our Vision: To be a voice of faith transforming lives and society through Jesus Christ

Our Mission: Welcoming all to grow and serve in Christ

The flowers today were arranged by Delia Edelmann and are given for the glory of God.

We are glad you are worshiping with us today.

Join us for bagels, coffee, and fellowship after the service in Fellowship Hall.

Christian Education/Sunday School Classes

Children's Sunday School Registration Forms are Located on the Welcome Desk

Time	Location		
8AM Men's Bible Study	Room 208/Virtual	10:30AM Children's Choir	Choir Room
9:30AM Adult Bible Study	Conference/Virtual	11AM More Than Time	Room 208/Virtual
Nursery O-2-year-olds	Room 150	Nursery O-2-year-olds	Room 110
2 & 3-year-olds	Room 150	All Children	Room 107
4, year-olds – 5 th graders	Founders Room	12:15PM SEEK Band	Choir Room
Middle & High School	Room 208/212		

Upcoming Events & Church News

Winter Relief starts on Monday (January 19-26) and we still need a number of volunteers. We still need volunteers for evening chaperone (Monday, Jan 19 and Wednesday, Jan 21), overnight chaperones (Tuesday, Jan 20, Thursday Jan 22, Friday Jan 23, and Saturday, Jan 24), shower escorts (Monday, Jan 19, Wednesday, Jan 21, and Saturday, Jan 24), and high school youth volunteers (every day). You may sign up online on the church website or in Fellowship Hall this Sunday Morning (Jan 19). Please help us help the homeless. If you want more information about Winter Relief and how you can help, please contact Scott Wiley at 410.353.1491 or email wilecoy2us@gmail.com. Thank you for helping with this important Mission.

Interested in learning about membership here at Woods Church? Join us for our next New Member Class – Sunday, February 1, 2026 at 10:45AM.

Our dearly loved Pastor Nancy Lincoln Reynolds will retire from both Woods Church and pastoral ministry this February. In countless ways through her pastoral care, preaching, and leadership, she has helped guide, nurture, and support our congregation and the larger community. We are planning events in Nancy's honor on the weekend of February 7 and 8. One of the ways we will celebrate Nancy's ministry among is through what the church often calls a "Love Offering," meaning a financial gift that expresses our love and gratitude for her and her ministry among us. If you would like to contribute to this gift, you may do so in several ways. With cash or check, please put it in an envelope with Nancy's name on the memo line for the envelope and check itself. You can either mail them in or leave the envelopes in the drop safe attached to the end of mailboxes in Church Office. Alternatively, you may give online [using this link](#) or go to woodschurch.org to Give and select Love-Offer NLR from dropdown menu. The last option is to text "WOODS NLR" to 73256 from your mobile device. I encourage you to be as generous in your giving as Nancy has been in her spirit and service to God through this church.

Join us to celebrate Pastor Nancy's Retirement – Open House Reception! Saturday, February 7, 2026 from 2:30-5:30PM at Chartwell Country Club. RSVP by January 31 using the link on the church website (www.woodschurch.org) or call the church office. Cost is \$20 per person; \$10 for children 12 and under.

Adult Ed Series – “More than time – Measuring Days in Wisdom” runs through February 15. Led by David Lohff, whose eclectic journey as a pastor, hospice chaplain, business owner and fitness instructor may be helpful to point out scenery as we observe life together. We will meet in Room 208 at 11AM and on Zoom at Meeting ID: 880 0127 9626 | Passcode: 036892

Service of Wholeness – There will be a Service of Wholeness on **Wednesday, January 21 at 6:15PM**, in the sanctuary. This is a deeply spiritual service of prayer, laying on of hands and anointing by the pastors and elders for those experiencing emotional or physical concerns. If you would like to attend, please contact Maureen Adams at 410.647.2550 or madams@woodschurch.org.

Dinner Church Experience – Join us on **Wednesday, January 28**, in **Fellowship Hall** for our **Dinner Church Experience!** We'll begin with a **gathering time at 5PM**, followed by **Dinner Worship at 5:30PM**, concluding around 6:30PM. This will be a **family-friendly, multi-generational evening** of food, faith, and fellowship in a comfortable, casual setting. We'll gather around tables as dinner becomes part of the worship service. The **Children's Ministry** will host **from 5-5:20PM** just before Dinner Church services in the Fellowship Hall.

The Prince of Egypt – Tickets | Performance Dates: March 13–15 and March 19–21, 2026, **Cost:** \$20.00 per ticket at www.woodstix.com. Woods Church will be presenting **The Prince of Egypt**, a sweeping, epic musical featuring music and lyrics by Grammy and Academy Award winner **Stephen Schwartz**, with a book by **Philip LaZebnik**. This powerful story follows two brothers—one destined to rule as Pharaoh, the other called to rise up and free his true people. Both must confront a destiny that will change history forever. **Important Notes:** 1. Due to the inability to fully blackout all windows in the performance area, **matinee performances will have ambient sunlight** entering the space. 2. **Content Advisory** – This production includes strobe lighting effects, loud noises, and scenes depicting fighting and stage combat. 3. **Disclaimer** – This show depicts intense situation and thematic elements adapted from the book of Exodus. While children are welcome to attend, parental guidance is suggested.

Immersive Spiritual Experience on Sundays in Lent, March 1-29 – Join us for spiritual formation which incorporates contemplative walking, experiential lessons and spiritual practices to synchronize body and mind, enabling self-reflection which can draw us closer to God. Interested? Come find out more at our table in Fellowship Hall beginning Sunday, January 18.

New Art Exhibit in the Gallery – Please visit the new art display in the Gallery. This month's art exhibit is a Digital Photography exhibit entitled “Window to Our World” by Dennis and Molly Balog, Bill Daniel, and Don Roland. Their photography captures the extraordinary.

Save the Date! Woods Adult Mission Trip, April 20 – 25, 2026. We will travel to Richmond, VA and work with the Richmond Metropolitan Habitat for Humanity affiliate. We are looking for 10+ volunteers for this mission trip. For more information go to news and upcoming events at woodschurch.org and click on the flyer. Contact Tom Lerario (txlerario@gmail.com) or Scott Rundle (srundle69@gmail.com) with questions and/or to sign up.

Looking ahead...mark your calendar:

February 17, 2026 – Pancake Supper all are welcome (5-6:30PM)

February 18, 2026 – Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent

March 13-15 & March 19-21, 2026 – The Prince of Egypt Musical

March 29, 2026 – Palm Sunday

April 5, 2026 – Easter Sunday

July 6-20, 2026 – Children's Art and the Bible (extended hours)

July 13-17, 2026 – Children's Day Camp and Vacation Bible School (extended hours)