

Service for the Lord's Day
February 1, 2026
Fourth Sunday After Epiphany
Preparation

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE "Flute Solo and Gigue" (Hwv 598 & 599) G. F. Handel

WELCOME, JOYS, AND CONCERNS Tom Setzler

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS Alice Smith

INTROIT "We Have Seen" R. Steven Branyon
 (We have seen His star in the east, and are come to worship Him, Alleluia!)

† CALL TO WORSHIP

In a world that rewards selfishness,
it is wise to hoard resources, foolish to share.

In a world built on violence,
it is wise to be suspicious, foolish to risk compassion.

But God's wisdom is not the wisdom of the world:

Greed will not serve us in heaven.

Self-preservation will not save us in the end,
so we will choose to be foolish;
we will choose the way of love.

Let us worship God.

† HYMN 720 "Jesus Calls Us" (v.1-4) Galilee

† CALL TO CONFESSION

God has told us what is good, what is required: Do justice. Love kindness.
 Walk humbly with God. These commands are so simple, yet we know we have not always followed them. With that knowledge, we confess.

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we fail to do what is right. Instead, we pursue evil and do not speak the truth. Even when we try our best to be faithful, still we turn away from you. Forgive us, accept us, and redeem us, that we may seek to do what you call good. Amen.

† ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the Good News: Just as Jesus called the disciples, so Christ calls us. Forgiven of our sin and freed to serve, let us answer Christ's call.
Christ calls us, forgives us, heals us, and teaches us. Thanks be to God!

† ACT OF PRAISE 582 "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also, with you.**
 As God's forgiven people, let us pass the peace of Christ to one another.

Proclamation

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Alice Smith
 (Ages 3yr old-2nd Grade may go to Little Disciples)

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Saving God, source of our calling, your Word is full of power and glory. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us so that we may receive your grace and live as your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 15

ANTHEM "Blessed Are the Pure in Heart" Eric De Lamarter
 (Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God.)

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 5:1-12

MESSAGE "God's Promise of Blessing" Rev. Nick Setzer

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "Apostle's Creed" pg. 35

† HYMN 630 "Fairest Lord Jesus" (v.1-4) Crusader's Hymn

Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Jesus Calls Us" arr. Edward Broughton

† DOXOLOGY 606 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of glory, as people brought gifts to the infant Jesus, we bring our gifts to you. May these gifts be used to lift up those who are oppressed, to bring deliverance to those who are in need, to support those who are poor, and to help those who are in trouble. Amen.

† HYMN 372 "For A World" (v.1-5) Azmon

† BENEDICTION

† CHORAL BENEDICTION "Arise, Shine" R. Steven Branyon
 (Arise, shine; for thy light has come.)

† POSTLUDE "Trumpet Tune is C" Henry Purcell
 (from the Baroque Opera "Bonduca")

† Stand as you are able.

Handel, Mozart and Haydn all composed for musical clocks which were especially popular in the 18th century. These musical clocks can still be found in many castles throughout Europe. Behind the face of these decorative clocks, there were often small to medium pipe organs that on the hour, half hour and quarter hour would play rolls of music. Figurines would appear, visually entertaining the eye while the music entertained the ear. When these rolls were later studied in the 20th century, it gave the musicologists an idea of these composers' keyboard technique. Often the composers recorded these rolls themselves. It was then we were reminded of the technique of non-legato playing as a standard for early music. These musical clocks also symbolized to all who viewed or heard them of both the divine order and of our mortality. We are only allotted so much time on this earth, and we must choose to use it as wisely as possible.

Our church's Adopt-a-Grandparent Valentine's supper will be celebrated by our middle & high school youth on Sunday evening February 22 at 6pm in the McNeil Hall. A great meal, fun activities, laughs and smiles will be enjoyed. Please RSVP to Alice if you are planning to come by February 6th.

The Real Grandparent's Valentine's lunch will be hosted by our 3 yr. olds-5th graders on Sunday, February 15th following morning worship in the McNeil Hall. Their grandparents will enjoy a great meal & fun activities making memories

Ladies' Revelation Bible Study Resumes

The Ladies' Bible Study of the book of Revelation has resumed after the holidays. We will meet at 6:00pm each Monday.

The 2026 flower calendar is open. Anyone who would like to (sponsor) the flowers during the coming year please contact Ree Dillon at 803-526-1098. January, February, March & May are taken.

SUMMER OF 2026 DATES FOR MONTREAT CONFERENCES ARE SET!

Youth Conference at Montreat July 11-18 (9th-12th)
 Middle School Conference at Maryville College July 15th-19th (6th-8th)
 Please put these dates on your calendars for next summer now! We have lots of youth who are eligible to go!

SPRING FAMILY RETREAT AT MONTREAT!

March 13, 14, 15, 2026

This is a great opportunity for our church family to enjoy the outdoors, fellowship, spiritual renewal and sharing together. Watch for more information soon, but put the dates on your calendar now!

The confirmation class and youth will meet twice a month for the next 5 months. They have a meal at their meetings. If anyone in the church would like to prepare supper or contribute money for a supper, please contact Alice or Molly. There are usually 14-20 youth and adults at these meetings. Thanks for your help in advance!

The Handbell Choir will resume their rehearsals on Monday nights from 5 til 6pm on February 16th. They will play on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday and few other times during Lent. Let Alice know if you can join us.

The Presbyterian Women of Providence Presbytery will eat lunch together at Sweet Carolines in McConnells on February 5th from 11am-2pm

SAVE THE DATES FOR VBS....JUNE 22-25

Please notify the church office if your address, email or phone has changed over the last year. Thanks!

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS Thank you for joining us today. We're glad you're here and hope that you'll experience God's love as we worship together. If you would like to know more about us, please call our church office (684-2356) and ask to speak with our pastor. May God's peace be with you.

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS:

All caregivers, Justin Snipes (son of Melissa & Patrick Young & grandson of Micky & Joe Howe), Matt Bozarth (Friend of Leigh Dayton) that is suffering from a rare cancer), Wayne McCormick, Jr.(surgery), Mark Good (Friend of Jody Templeton has cancer), Gloria Ludwig (Stacey Walden's grandmother), Leigh Dayton, Shane Vickery (friend of Jake Walden) Joe & Mickey Howe, Archie Buchanan, Martin Foster, Jim Ballard (Brother in law of Ann Lee), Lillian Carlisle (daughter of Jane Hiott Carlisle), Robert Clewis (Shelia Herron's son), Danny Allman (19 yr. old nephew of Mike Allman), Jackson (friend of the Waldens), Bill Herron(Leukemia),Donna Jo McKinney Ferrell and Jane McKinney Bolin (have cancer, they are nieces of Brenda Brandon), Lauren Bolin (niece of Terri Bratton) had twins, the twins are doing well and are being moved to progressive care , Chip Lee (father of Bethany James), Rebecca Byrd (preschool teacher, broke her leg), Patti Whiteside (Joanna Setzler's step mom) recovering from broken hip, Randy Street (son in law of Jane Ratliff heart transplant), Jim Bolduc, Lorraine Stewart, Mike Allman, Sr. (brain cancer), Linda Lee (sister in law of Eddie & Ann Lee injured in auto accident), Cynthia Brown-Stalling (heart attack), family of Gayle Sebastian and family of Martin Foster.

RETIREMENT/NURSING HOMES-HOMEBOUND

Barbara & Bob Falls, Jane Spratt & Lorraine Stewart

FLOWERS: The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God.

LITTLE DISCIPLES

Feb. 1st Liz Ann Hill
Feb. 8th Melissa Allman

NURSERY

Feb. 1st Jenny Hill
Feb. 8th Angie Pratt

ACOLYTES

Feb. 1st Aubrey/Ryleigh Walden
Feb. 8th Eliana/Oscar Setzer

CROSSBEARER

Rhodes Hill
Elizabeth Hiott

Enrollment for current preschool students and church members is underway. Public enrollment begins February 2nd.

Mark your calendars, FEAST begins again on Ash Wednesday, February 18th at 6pm (Note time change)

Book club will meet February 10th at 6:30 to discuss our book, "Theo of Golden" by Allen Levi. Please come for fun and fellowship!

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CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

un. 2-1	10:00am Adult Sunday School 11:00am Worship
Mon. 2-2	5:00pm-8:30pm Basketball Practice 6:00pm Ladies Bible Study 8:00pm AA
Tues. 2-3	7:45am Sr. Highs at Southern Touch 12:15pm Staff Meeting
Wed. 2-4	10:00am Acts Study 6:00pm Choir 8:00pm AA
Thur. 2-5	5:00-8:30pm Basketball Practice
Fri. 2-6	Basketball Biddy Under Basketball Biddy 8 & 9
Sat. 2-7	Basketball Mite Boys Basketball Girls 13 & Und
Sun. 2-8	10:00am Adult Sunday School 11:00am Worship 5:00pm Confirmation Class 6:00pm Youth

Presbyterian Women are now accepting applications for the 2026-2027 Iva Bryson Barnwell and Kitty Sandifer Scholarship. This opportunity is for all rising and current college and graduate students. Please contact the church or Liz Ann Hill (lizannhill15@gmail.com) for an application and to ask any questions. The applications are due by **APRIL 1ST!**

Super Bowl of Caring collection will be Sunday Feb. 8th. In 1990, Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group from a Presbyterian Church in Columbia, SC: "Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat." Since that Sunday, over \$220 million has been generated for local charities through Souper Bowl of Caring. Next Sunday our youth will be collecting canned goods and monetary donations for the Souper Bowl of Caring collection. Please consider bringing a donation next Sunday, February 8th.

PATH is in need of cereal boxes, bags, oatmeal, etc.

Men's Meat'n is scheduled for Wednesday Feb. 11th. We will meet at church in the McNeel Hall for the annual Men's Oyster Stew. This long standing fellowship gathering is one not to be missed. Invite your friends and join in on the good food and fellowship.

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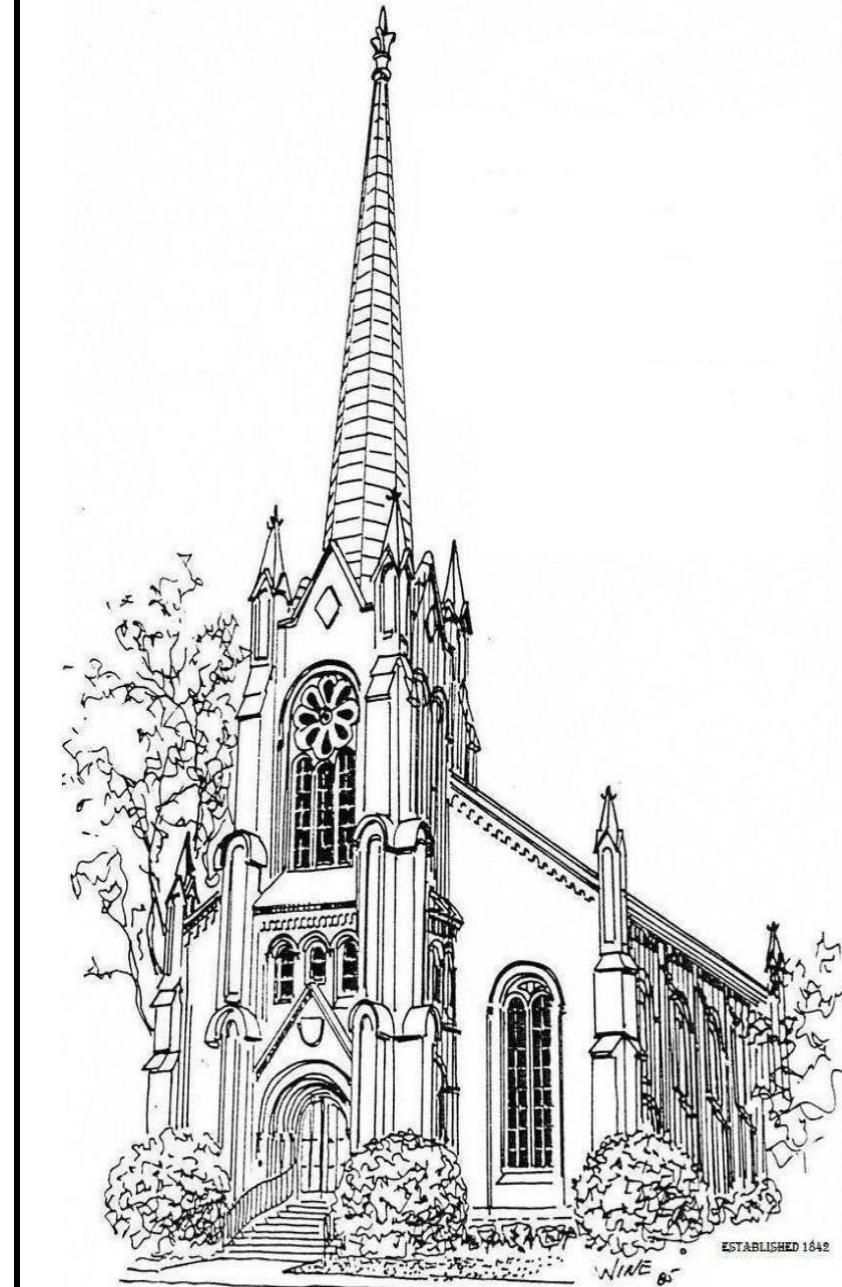
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