

We Gather to Worship

Prelude Down By the Riverside Dr. Mary Crowell

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Jim Truesdell

* Call to Worship Psalm 113 Elder Jennifer Quillan

Praise the Lord!

Praise, O servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD

Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time on and forever more.

From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the LORD is to be praised.

The LORD is high above all nations
and his glory above the heavens.

*Hymn Holy, Holy, Holy #1

*Call to Confession Jennifer Quillan

*Prayer of Confession Unison

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.

* Kyrie Eleison Unison

*Assurance of Pardon Pastor Truesdell

* The Gloria Patri Unison

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.

* Sharing the Peace of Christ Pastor Truesdell

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.
All: And also with you.

We Listen to God's Word

"This Little Light of Mine"

Time with Young Disciples Pastor Truesdell

Prayer of Illumination Jennifer Quillan

First Reading Act 4: 23-31 p. 1,081 Jennifer Quillan

Anthem The Chancel Choir

Second Reading Acts 2: 42-47 p. 1,079 Pastor Truesdell

Response Leader: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon We Are Church Part 5 of 5 "The Prayers" Pastor Truesdell

We Respond to God's Grace

*Hymn What A Friend We Have in Jesus # 465

* Affirmation of Faith Unison

The Apostles' Creed

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 on 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 The People Pastor Truesdell

*The Lord's Prayer Unison

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

Invitation to Worship God with Our Offering

Offertory Be Thou My Vision Dr. Crowell

*Doxology

**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.**

* Prayer of Dedication Pastor Truesdell

*Hymn Lord Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing. #546

*Charge Pastor Truesdell

*Benediction

* Postlude Down to the River to Pray Dr. Crowell

***Stand if you are able**

PRAYER REQUESTS

CHURCH FAMILY

Marv & Elizabeth Price (Health) Duane Counter (Health & Healing)
Doris Welch (Home) Suzanne Weeks (Healing)
Dean Steele Jac Catlett
Susie Fogg (Home) Diane Lynn (Health)
Sharon Massey Gale Cottles (Healing)
Melvin & Ruth Clem (Health) Ken (Healing) and Connie Brown
Debbi O'Neill (Healing) Charlotte Lyle (Healing)
Joyc Counter (Healing) Gary Boyd (Healing)

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Brandon Noel – Army Sean Miller - Army
Adam Naves - Marines Damien Williams - Army
Kevin O'Neill-Army Nat. Guard Joshua Hargrove – Deployed
Jay Tulley- Middle East Justin Ruf- Army Air Guard

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Larry Harris (Healing, friend of Chris Hilgeman)
Hazel Ruf (Mason Ruf's mother, home)
Gary Kilgo (Health, Kay Baugher & Carol Quillen's family member)
Karen Ferguson (Potter's Hand)
Keith Clem (Healing, cousin of Chris Paysinger)
Amy Cotten (Potter's Hand)
Telula Thornton (Healing and Comfort, mother of Karan Baker)
Mike Frehner (Support, friend of David Lyle)
Martha Taylor (Healing, mother of John Cagle)
Silvey Family (Healing, daughter 3 years old)
Maryann McKee (Healing, friend of Carol Copeland)
Shannon Underwood (Healing, daughter of Barbara Welborn)
Cadence Brooks (Healing, student of Cindy Witt)
Karryl Anderson (Healing, Mexico mission supporter)
Gerry Smith (Healing for knees, cousin of Jan Ruth)
Tim Swymer (Healing, Lauren Cagle's uncle)
Kristie Whitt (Healing, daughter of Alice Whitt)
Charlotte Pickett (visitor to the church)
Ronnie Cottles (Healing, father (in-law) of Michael & Gail Cottles)
Patricia Kloninger (Healing, friend of Jan Ruth)
Mia Bennett's mom (Healing, friend of Jim May)
Leigh Ann Looyenga (Healing, friend of Gina Haraway)

FOR OUR VISITORS:

We welcome you to worship and would love to connect with you personally. Prayer Request/Visitor cards are located in the pews. Please place it with the offering or give it to the pastor following the service. Thank you for worshipping with us today!

The Session

<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>	<u>Class of 2028</u>
Cindy Witt	David Lyle,	Hal Baker
Stephen Ware	DeAnna Mc Neil	Brad Greene
Tom Clem	Chris Shindorf	Sharon Hand

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Prayers of healing for:

*Joyce Counter and
Gary Boyd*

Today's Services:

Sermon

Pastor Jim Truesdell

Liturgist

Elder Jennifer Quillen

Musicians:

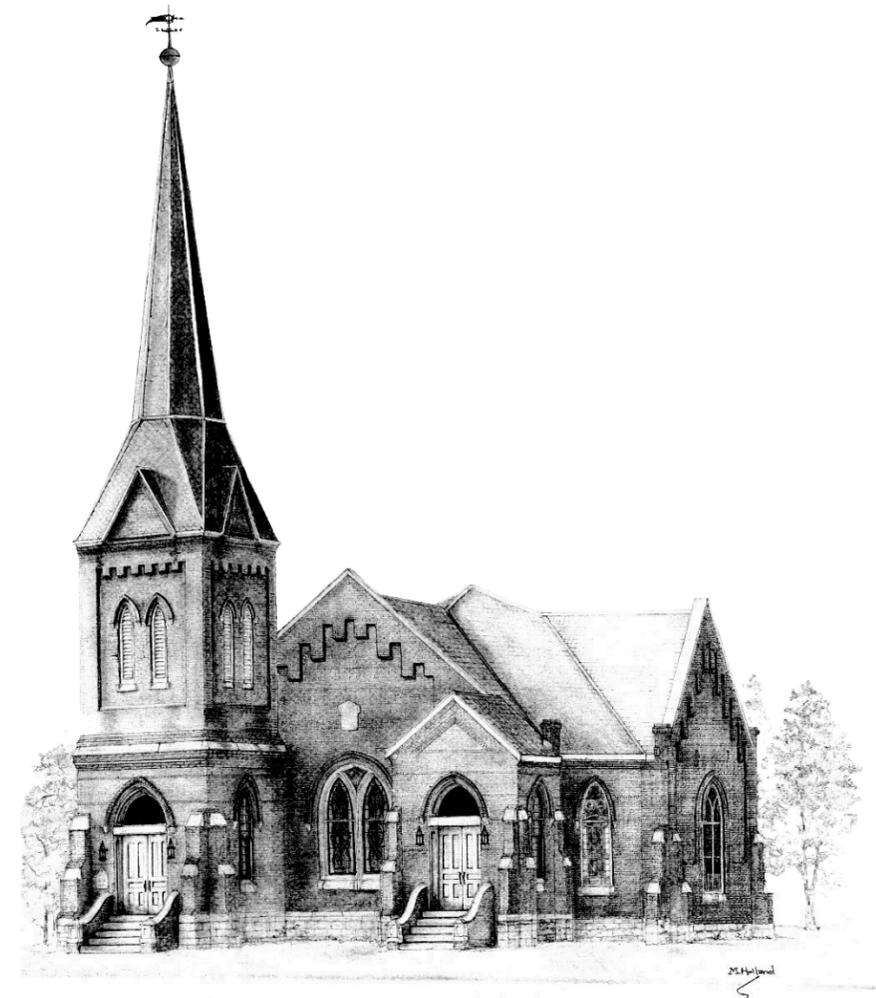
Dr. Mary Crowell
Emily Clem

Volunteers:

Church Nursery:

January 18th Suzanne Paysinger
January 25th Jennifer Quillen

February 8, 2026
5th Sunday after Epiphany



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