

Welcome to **OUR SAVIOUR'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
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Season of Epiphany

Jan. 25 & 28, 2024

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\* *All who are able please stand*

*L: Leader; P: People*

Prelude

*Acc.: Nicole Burdick*

Words of Welcome and Good News.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We come to worship...

**P: Giving thanks with whole hearts in the company of this congregation.**

L: We worship the One who is gracious and merciful...

**P: Holy and awesome is God's name! Let us worship God together!**

\*HYMN: "As with Gladness"

R118/Projected

\*INVOCATION

***ALL: Holy God, holy, gracious, and merciful we gather mindful of your covenant with us and all creation. We gather mindful of your wonderful deeds and your powerful work among us. Grant that we may be joined with all your creation in praising you in the name of the One who was, and is, and is to come. Amen.***

\*RESPONSE & INVITATION: "Spirit of the Living God"

B283/Projected

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

WITNESS OF FAITH: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

WITNESS OF FAITH: Psalm 111

CALL TO CONFESSION

L: God invites us to come to worship with our whole hearts, to inventory our deeds and our works, mindful of our covenant with God. God offers us a new beginning day by day and week by week. Trusting in God, we pray for transformation and new life:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***All: Gracious and Merciful God, maker of covenant, faithful and just, we examine our lives in light of your righteousness which endures forever. You give us commandments and raise up prophets among us from among our own people. You speak to us and ask us to become accountable. Yet often we ignore your ways and disdain your works. We close ourselves to your***

***prophets and to the suffering in our world. Forgive us and renew us, that we may walk in faithfulness to you today, tomorrow, and all days. Amen.***

#### **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

L: God's righteousness endures forever, and God is mindful of God's covenant with us. The promises of God's covenant of grace assure us that this day and all days we can walk in renewed faithfulness, as we witness God's works, and follow God's call. In Jesus' name, your sin is forgiven.

**P: Through the power of the Spirit, let us live as children of God. Amen.**

Passing of the Peace [Let us bless one another in Christ as we are comfortable.]

WITNESS OF FAITH: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 1:21-28

A TIME OF LEARNING: The Bible: Authority Projected  
From Luther House of Study

\*STATEMENT OF FAITH: A New Creed Projected

#### **\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place  
I can feel God's mighty power and God's Grace  
I can hear the brush of angel's wings  
I see glory on each face  
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place**

SPECIAL MUSIC: Sunday school singers

#### **CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

Prayer of Our Savior:

**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.**

HYMN: "Near the Cross" (1869) w/Reawaken Hymns Projected

MEDITATION: "A new teaching-with authority" Rev. Mundell

HYMN: "Let There Be Light" R255/Projected

#### **PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

[Offering options by the sanctuary entrances/social media/mail/office.]

L: Just as God's works are gracious and merciful, faithful, and just, God calls us to works of grace, mercy, faithfulness, and justice. The offerings we bring are a

witness and a contribution to this church's works in the world. May we freely share and participate in God's work of grace and mercy, faith, and justice.

#### OFFERTORY

#### \*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, you heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Responsive)

*ALL: We worship with our whole hearts, and give with our whole hearts, remembering your covenant with us, O God. As we share these gifts, may they be for the work of faithful justice and gracious mercy through your church and in your world. Amen.*

#### \*BENEDICTION: "Go Now In Peace"

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know he will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

#### \*Postlude

### **THIS WEEK'S EVENTS**

- Sun. January 28 9:00 am - Worship Service in Sanctuary  
4:00 pm - AOL Pack 3735 Meeting  
Pack 3735 Silent Auction donation items pickup, see flyer in East Narthex
- Mon. January 29 6:15 pm - Scott Street Puppeteers Practice
- Tues. January 30 5:30 pm - Community Meal at St Catherine of Siena Catholic Parish  
6:30 pm - Pack 3735 Den Meeting till 7:30 pm
- Thur. February 1 5:15 pm - Senior Choir Practice  
6:30 pm - Worship Service in Chapel with Communion

### **NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS**

- Sun. February 4 8:00 am - Pack 3735 Pancake Breakfast and Silent Auction, till 1:00 pm  
9:00 am - Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion  
4:00 pm - AOL Pack 3735 Meeting
- Mon. February 5 6:15 pm - Scott Street Puppeteers Practice
- Tues. February 6 5:00 pm - Community Meal at Our Saviour's  
6:30 pm - Pack 3735 Den Meeting till 7:30 pm
- Thur. February 8 5:15 pm - Senior Choir Practice  
6:30 pm - Worship Service in Chapel with Communion

### **REVERAND MUNDELL ON VACATION**

Reverand Mundell will be on vacation Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup> and Reverand Dodson will be here in his place. If you are in need of pastoral assistance during his absence, please contact a Church Council Member.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST**

- Sun. February 18 10:15 am - OSUCC Annual Meeting
- Fri. February 23 Women's Wild Winter Weekend 2024 at Moon Beach

### **GREETER/USHER SCHEDULE**

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|------|-------------|--------|------|-------------|--------|
| Sun. | February 4  | Team 5 | Sun. | February 18 | Team 1 |
| Sun. | February 12 | Team 6 | Sun. | February 25 | Team 2 |



**OUR SAVIOUR'S**  
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 FAITH FAMILY FRIENDSHIP

**We welcome all visitors and guests and are glad you can join us for our services.**

*Large print bulletins and regular bulletins are available in the vestibule and online. If you would like one mailed to you, please let us know.*

**Join us for worship on or Sunday's at 9:00 am and Thursday's at 6:30 pm**

Sunday Service is broadcast live via radio at 11:00AM on WRPN, AM station 1600.

All worship services are livestreamed to our Social Media Platforms and available at your convenience. If you are viewing worship from one of our Social Media Platforms, make sure to leave a comment or like our post to know you are worshipping with us! If there is an issue with the stream, or you have any feedback, please reach out to Conrad Winkleman.



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**OFFICE HOURS**

Our office hours are Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM till Noon. There is also a drop box adjacent to the office door if you need to drop off items when the office is not open.

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Laura Polcyn, January 30,  
Melissa Busse, John Cate, Emily Cramer, and Rev. Kevin Mundell, February 1

**ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR LAST WEEK**

In-Person:	Thursday: 7	Sunday: 72
Livestream Views:	Thursday: 95	Sunday: 105
General Fund: \$2,550.00	OCWM: \$180.50	Capital Improvements: \$157.50

*Thank you so much for your continued support of mailed in and online contributions.*

**9:00 AM WORSHIP TEAM**

**Audio Operator:** John Kwiatkoske      **Liturgist:** Rorie Nitz      **Musician:** Nicole Burdick



**2023 STEWARDSHIP CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

The 2023 Contribution Statements are available now for pickup from the table in the hallway outside the East Narthex. Thank you!

**2024 STEWARDSHIP CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES**

The 2023 Contribution Statements that have not yet been picked up have been moved to bookshelves in the Conference Room, where they are still available for pickup.



**2024 ANNUAL MEETING**

Our Annual Meeting is scheduled for February 18, 2024 at 10:15 AM. We hope all will make the time to be present and take part in this important process for our religious community here at OSUCC. The Annual Report will be published 10 days prior to the meeting.

**PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY**

Feel free to use our prayer chain ministry by contacting Caroline Retzlaff at 920-748-2367.



***IN OUR PRAYERS:*** Kathy Luedke, Tara Koller, Pat Schaub, Bob Schouten, Edna Schwandt, 21 Unspoken, and all others.

## MISSIONS FOOD COLLECTION



RECOMMENDED Food Items *for the month of January* are:

Peanut Butter, dry pasta, pasta sauce, baby food, apple sauce, crackers, canned soups, canned fruits, cereal, dried fruit, and granola bars.

*These can be brought to the East Narthex. It is always best to buy canned items with a pull-tab to open with ease. Thank you to all who have already donated this month!*

## BULLETIN AND MESSENGER INFORMATION DEADLINES

If you are interested in getting information placed in the **bulletin** or would like to sponsor an item through the Altar Guild, please email the office or drop off by **Tuesday at 11am.**

Events, committee updates, etc. for the February **Messenger** should be submitted by Saturday, **February 17th.** These may be emailed to the office or dropped off at the church office.



## OSUCC LOGO TOTE BAGS AVAILABLE

The Evangelism Committee has designed OSUCC Logo Tote Bags! They have been selling fast and only 3 black/red bags remain. The bags are \$12 and are available in the Church Office Monday - Thursday or after worship service.

## WOMEN'S WILD WINTER WEEKEND 2024

It's almost time to pack, Ladies! The theme for this year's camp at Moon Beach is Prayer, and the camp is scheduled for February 23 - 25, 2024.

We are told the event is sold out so if you did still want to attend, we suggest you call Moon Beach directly at 715-479-8255 to see if there have been any cancellations.



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