

Service of Worship
January 25, 2026
3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Psalm 27:1: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

As we begin worship this morning, may we be reminded:
Before we could ever claim to choose Christ, Christ chose us.
We are not here because of our goodness but because of God's grace.
We are not here to enlighten ourselves, but to allow the Holy Spirit to enlighten us,
We are not here to be entertained but to worship God with heart, soul, mind, and strength.

Hymn of Gathering - #697 *Take My Life*

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we admit at times we lack urgency when it comes to your call. We are slow we are to turn toward you. We cling to old habits, afraid to leave behind what once defined us. We hear Jesus says, "Follow me," but we hesitate when discipleship asks more than we are ready to give. We often prefer comfort to courage, certainty to trust, and control to obedience. Forgive us, O God. Turn us again toward your life-giving way. Help us let go and follow more fully. Shape us into a people who proclaim your love, seek your justice, and reflect your mercy.

Silent prayer

In the name of Christ, we pray. **Amen.**

Declaration of Forgiveness

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Matthew 4:12-23 (p.936)

Sermon Rev. Todd Davidson

Music for Meditation

Offering

Doxology - #606 ***"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"***

**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

Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Sending - #692 *Spirit, Open My Heart*

Benediction