



Worship for the Lord's Day

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

February 2, 2025

Our Calling

What is our charge?

Our charge is to create the church Jesus expects.

How do we live?

*We live to become more like Jesus,
bringing faith and life together.*

Who are we?

*We are a community where all people
can take root in love and grow in service.*

Rooted in Love. Growing in Service.

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GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please find the Friendship Pad and pass it down the pew so all may sign.

Please note Nursery is available in the Faith Ministries Building.

PRELUDE

A Jubilant Song

Mary Lynn Lightfoot

Adult Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 71

One: In you, O Lord, let us take refuge,

All: **so we might never be put to shame.**

One: In your righteousness, O Lord, let us find deliverance,

All: **so we might experience your saving power.**

One: In your presence, O God, let us place our trust,

All: **so we might find confidence in you alone.**

One: You are our rock and our refuge, our fortress and shield.

All: **We turn to you again this day.**

One: Let us worship God!

*HYMN 157 vs. 1-3

I Danced in the Morning

LORD OF THE DANCE

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Following the Call to Confession please observe a moment of silent confession.

Generous God, when we set our tables, we imagine who belongs. We are satisfied to welcome those who we call our own. Our boundaries are drawn for our own family, our own congregation, our own neighborhood. We limit the seating to those who make us comfortable, and lay out the welcome mat for those who we choose to welcome. But your kingdom has no boundary.

Before our birth you have known, loved, and claimed each and every one. Soften our hearts to those we rage against. Restore us to your vision of who belongs at the table. Renew us with your abundant mercy and love, which know no end. Amen.

***DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS**

One: Friends, in the name of Jesus Christ,
we are loved and accepted, forgiven and freed.

All: Thanks be to God!

***THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you!

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE HYMN 659** *Know That God is Good*

Know that God is good. Know that Good is good.

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Know that God is good; God is good; God is good.

Halle, hallelujah. Halle, hallelujah.

Halle, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah.

PROCLAIMING

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jeremiah 1:4-10

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 4:21-30

SHARING THE FAITH WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

Children will remain in the sanctuary during the sermon.

SERMON

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*We will partake of the Lord's Supper by intinction. The bread is gluten-free.
Take a cube of bread, dip it into the cup and consume the elements together.*

The Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Words of Institution

Communion of the People

HYMN 795

Healer of Our Every Ill

HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL

RESPONDING

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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 at 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 AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 DISCIPLESHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, & OFFERINGS

Offertory

Meditation on "Thaxted"

G. Holst/P. Fey

***DOXOLOGY 607** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

OLD HUNDREDTH

praise Christ, all people here below;

praise Holy Spirit evermore;

praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

***HYMN 450**

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Festive Tuba Tune

Paul Fey

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

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Liturgy is from Call to Worship.

*The flowers in the chancel today are given by Karen Fink,
to God's glory for answered prayers.*

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Leading and supporting worship today:

Preachers: Lisa Hebacker

Liturgist: Elizabeth Grovenstein

Chancel Guild: Gay Strickland

Counters: Debbi Freer, Mike Lawrence

Nursery: Janet Livengood

Director of Music: Terri Nicotera

Interim Organist: Bo Lloyd

Acolyte: Addi Melton

EIC: Todd Barlow

SRT:

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WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!

We are glad that you are worshipping with us. A few things to know:

- God's children of all ages are welcome in worship. If your child would be more comfortable in the nursery, childcare is available in the Faith Ministries Building, located behind the Sanctuary.
- Hymn numbers refer to our hymnal, *Glory to God*, the purple book located in the pew rack. Blue pew Bibles are also available for your use.
- **Bold type** in this bulletin indicates all are invited to speak the corresponding words.
- An asterisk * indicates that you are invited to stand if you are able.
- Hearing assistance devices and large-print hymnals are at the rear of the Sanctuary.
- If you would like to have an NRPC nametag, email office@nrleighpc.org.

New members join by transfer, reaffirmation or profession several times each year.

The next new member joining date is **Sunday, March 9**.

NRPC NEWS AND EVENTS

Anniversaries: none known

Birthdays: Bob Grooters 2/4, Jamie Ayscue 2/7

The February Gathering is Wednesday, February 12 at 5:45 PM in the FMB. Dinner will be an Italian menu including pasta, sauces, meatballs, salad and bread! The activity for the evening is making Valentines! Use the link in Friday News to sign up.

BBQ Sale: The Yard Sale is a year away, but you can still get NRPC's world famous BBQ this year! Orders are by presale only. There will be no day of sales. See the article in Friday News for more information and use the link to order. Orders accepted through **Sunday February 23 at 12:00 PM**. Pickup is **Saturday, March 1, 11 AM - 1 PM**.

NRPC's Currently Serving Church Officers

NRPC Session (Elders)

Class of 2025

Todd Barlow

Izze Fisher

Julie Fotheringham

Stormy Ingold

Candy Tedrick

John Grovenstein, Clerk of Session

Class of 2026

Don Brown

Amanda Heater

Sid Mabry

Margaret Spransy

Class of 2027

Jonathan Drum

Lise Jenkins

Megan Livengood

Sarah Mulligan

NRPC Diaconate (Deacons)

Class of 2025

Margaret Albert

Roger Askew

Tiffany Hook

Pam Horton

Fran Lawrence

Class of 2026

Rick Bell

Debi Collins, Moderator

Donna Fitzpatrick

Elizabeth Grovenstein

Renee Sarver

Class of 2027

Karen Fink

Meredith Goodin

Michelle Snead

Sally Thompson

THIS WEEK AT NRPC

Sunday 2/2	9:00 AM Cornerstone Class (F) 9:00 AM Men's Book Study (F) 10:30 AM Worship Service (S, Y) 11:30 AM Potluck/Faith Formation (F) 11:45 AM Sermon Discussion (F) 3:30 PM Pioneer Class (F)
Monday 2/3	
Tuesday 2/4	6:30 PM Adult Bells (S)
Wednesday 2/5	10:00 AM Staff Meeting (F) 7:00 PM Adult Choir (S)
Thursday 2/6	9:15 AM Thursday Morning Bible Study (F) 10:30 AM Joyful Ringers (S) 5:00 PM Direction Commission (F)
Friday 2/7	7:00 AM Men's Bible Study (Z)
Saturday 2/8	
Sunday 2/9	9:00 AM Cornerstone Class (F) 10:30 AM Worship Service (S, Y) 11:30 AM Youth Group (F) 11:45 AM Sermon Discussion (F) 12:15 PM Fellowship Forum with Lunch (F) 3:30 PM Pioneer Class (F)

Legend: A=Admin F= Faith Ministries Building
Y= You Tube S=Sanctuary N=Narthex Z=Zoom O=Outdoors OFF=Offsite

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