

# celebration of christian worship

## GATHER...TO WORSHIP AND PRAISE

Sharing of the Peace and Welcome

Invitation to Worship

Prelude

*He Leadeth Me*  
Shanna Drescher, flute, and Melvin Hale, piano

\*Call to Worship

Leader: People of God, who do you come to worship?

**Congregation: We come to worship the one true God.**

Leader: How will you worship?

**Congregation: Not with words alone, but by living lives of justice and love.**

Leader: Come, you who belong to God. Come, you who are foolish in the eyes of the world.

**Congregation: Come and abide in God's tent and in God's heart, now and forever.**

\*Hymn #222

*Thine Be the Glory*

MACCABEUS

\*Invocation

## GATHER...TO WELCOME THE CHILDREN

*The children are invited forward for the children's sermon.*

Hymn #603

*Jesus Loves Me*

CHINA

Children's Sermon

Bobby Rayburn

Choral Praise

*The Staff of Faith*

Craig Courtney

My faith, it is an oaken staff, the trav'ler's well-loved aid; my faith, it is a weapon stout, the soldier's trusty blade. I'll travel on, and still be stirred by silent thought or social word; by all my perils undeterred, a soldier pilgrim staid. I have a guide, and in His steps when travelers have trod, whether beneath was flinty rock or yielding grassy sod, they cared not, but with force unspent, unmoved by pain, they onward went, unstayed by pleasures, still they bent their zealous course to God. My faith, it is an oaken staff, O let me on it lean! My faith, it is a trusty sword, may falsehood find it keen! Thy Spirit, Lord, to me impart, o make me what Thou ever art, of patient and courageous heart, as all true saints have been.

Presentation of Deacons

Bobby Rayburn

Nora Abat

**To Be Installed**

Stephanie Ezell

Katie Gilley

Jack Nunneley

Lynn Naul

Janelle Teekel

Deacon Installation Prayer

Bobby Rayburn

Hymn of Reflection #652

*Make Me a Servant*  
*Make me a servant, humble and meek;*

SERVANT

Dr. Leonard Ezell

Dr. Ezell

arr. Dana F. Everson

Jack Ezell

Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.

And may the prayer of my heart always be:  
make me a servant, make me a servant, make me a servant today.

## GATHER...TO OFFER OUR GIFTS WITH THANKSGIVING

Pam Morgan

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

*He's Got the Whole World*  
Layla Battley, soloist, and Belles et Beaux

Traditional Spiritual  
arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

\*Response Doxology #706 *Praise God, from Whom all Blessing 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.*

Old 100th, alt.

## GATHER...TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

Dr. Alissa Rowe

Scripture

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.  
All: **Thanks be to God!**

Choral Praise

*The Mighty Power of God*

Mark Hayes

We sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise, that spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies. We sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day; the moon shines full at his command, and all the stars obey. We sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the earth with food; he formed the creatures with his word and then pronounced them good. Lord, how your wonders are displayed, where'er we turn our eyes, if we survey the ground we tread or gaze upon the skies. There's not a plant or flower below but makes your glories known, and clouds arise and tempests blow by order from your throne; while all that borrows life from you is ever in your care, and everywhere that we can be, you, God, are present there.

Sermon

*Reframing Misery*

Dr. Leonard Ezell

\*Hymn of Response #71

**DEPART...TO SERVE**  
*Be Thou My Vision (1 & 4)*

SLANE

\*Announcements

Bobby Rayburn

\*Benediction Hymn #155 *We are Singing, for the Lord is Our Light*

*We are singing for the Lord is our light, we are singing, for the Lord is our light.*  
*We are singing for the Lord is our light, we are singing, for the Lord is our light.*  
*We are singing, singing, we are singing, we are singing for the Lord is our light.*  
*We are singing, singing, we are singing, we are singing for the Lord is our light.*

SIYAHAMBA

\*Postlude

*Lead, Kindly Light*  
Melvin Hale, organ

John Henry Newman and  
John B. Dykes

\*The congregation is invited to stand.

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# ministry opportunities

## Sunday, February 1

- 8:30 A Common Grounds Café Opens
- 9:15 A Sunday School
- 10:30 A Worship Service
- 11:30 A Deacon Meeting
- 5:00 P Youth

## Tuesday, February 3

- 9:30 A Yoga
- 10:00 A Quilting

## Wednesday, February 4

- 10:00 A *The Scriptorial Corruption of Scripture*
- 6:30 P Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, February 5

- 10:00 A *God Said What?*

## Friday, February 6

- 9:30 A Yoga

## Sunday, February 8

- 8:30 A Common Grounds Café Opens
- 9:15 A Sunday School
- 10:30 A Worship Service
- 11:30 A Winter Social
- 4:00 P Belles et Beaux
- 5:00 P Youth

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### STAFF

Dr. Leonard Ezell, *Senior Pastor*  
Bobby Rayburn, *Associate Pastor of Young Families*  
Dr. Alissa Rowe, *Director of Music and Worship*  
Felicia Mullen, *Business Manager*  
Katie Gilley, *Administrative Assistant*  
Melvin Hale, *Organist*

**Affinity Groups...** We have started to get groups for Affinity Groups. So far We have a coin collecting, cooking, our Average Church Band, cyber security and embroidery. If any of these interest you sign in the church office. There is still time to submit your ideas if you would like to lead one.

**Annual Winter Social...** Sunday, February 8 following worship. Gather in the Church Activities Hall to share fellowship and a bowl of warmth!!

**Southeast Ministries...** During the month of January, canned tuna.

**Shrove Tuesday...** February 17, 11:30 AM. Join us for pancakes!! Sign up at table on piano side or in the church office.

**Ash Wednesday...** February 18, 12PM-2 PM, *A Service Identifying with Christ on His Journey, Even to the Cross*

### New Bible Studies...

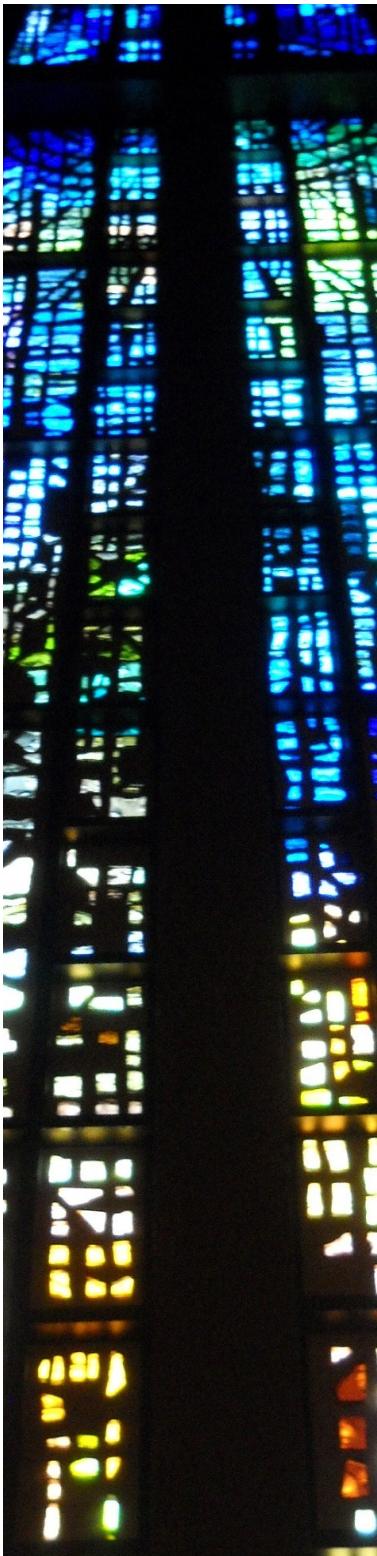
*"The Scriptorial Corruption of Scripture: Who Changed the Bible and Why?"* A video lecture series addressing the changes and alterations of the biblical texts and what they mean now. Wednesdays 10-11AM in Common Grounds Café.

**"God Said What? Wrestling with Cruelty, Violence, and Vengeance in the Old Testament"**  
An honest approach to negative images of God. Thursdays 10-11AM in Church Conference Room

**2026 Offering Envelopes...** If you need new offering envelopes for 2026, please contact the church office.

**Can you help?...** If you are willing and able to help us spread mulch on the playground please let us know!! Date to be announced.

**Greater Bridge Academy...** Greater Bridge Academy started this week! Currently they are only having infants. As they continue to grow they have asked if members would like to read to older children. If you are available in the future the help out please let the church office know. This is a great way to welcome our new friends.



**"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven."**

Matthew 5:12

**February 1, 2026**  
**Deacon Installation**

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