



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 18, 2026

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Large-print bulletins are available at both entrances to the sanctuary.

Activity bags & bulletins for kids are available in the narthex.

***Indicates those who are able may stand.**

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TODAY'S HYMNAL All hymns today are in the **RED Hymnal, *The Worshiping Church***, unless otherwise noted.



The Chancel flowers today are given in loving memory of Rich Langford, by his children and grandchildren.



Welcome & Announcements

Joys & Concerns

Prelude

Mike Rugge, Organist

We Come Into God's Presence

Call to Worship (L—Leader / P—People)

Psalm 150

L: Praise the Lord!

P: Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

L: Praise God in the sanctuary!

P: Praise God for mighty deeds.

L: Praise God with trumpet sound.

P: Praise God with clanging symbols.

L: Praise the Lord!

P: Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

*Gathering Hymn: "He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought"

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SUNDAY WORSHIP @ 10:30AM
28 Seventh Avenue, Haddon Heights, NJ 08035
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Rev. Eliza C. Jaremko, Pastor
Dr. Chris Thomas, Director of Music † Mike Rugge, Organist



We Prepare to Hear God's Word

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Forgiving God, we repent of all the ways we turn from you. You call, but we do not listen. You show us your path, but we prefer our own way. You call us to repent, but we continue in our old ways. Forgive us, heal us, and lead us back to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

L: God knows the hearts of those who seek forgiveness.

P: By faith, we are saved by God's grace.

L: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri

#807 (Red Hymnal)

*Affirmation of Faith:

A Brief Statement of Faith

L: We trust in God, who created the world good.

P: But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.

L: We ignore God's commandments. We violate the image of God in others and in ourselves.

P: We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.

L: Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

P: In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all the families of the earth. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

We Read and Proclaim God's Word

Time with Our Children

Chancel Choir Anthem: "Open Our Eyes Lord" *arr. Benjamin Harler*
Dr. Chris Thomas, Director of Music

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 1:11-19

(OT, p.1)

*Hymn: "Just As I Am, without One Plea"

#445, vv.1-4

Gospel Lesson: John 1:43-51

(NT, pp.92-93)

Hymn of Preparation: "Listen to the Word that God Has Spoken"

Listen to the Word that God has spoken;

Listen to the One who is close at hand;

Listen to the voice that began creation;

Listen even if you don't understand.

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*Doxology: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Alleluia, Alleluia
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People / 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.**

We Go to Live God's Word

*Closing Hymn: "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

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Benediction (unison)

**May the Lord watch between me and thee, while we are absent
one from the other.**

Choral Response

L: Our worship together has ended.

P: Now our service begins.

Postlude



PRAYER CONCERNS



Please keep these people in your prayers this week:

- Adin Borden
- Sally Burrough
- Nancy & Bob Celebre
- Donna & John Duca
- Joe & Marie Guerra
- Lorrie Heuser
- Sandy Langford
- Evelyn Miraglia
- Carmen Muni
- Dottie Rheinbold
- Michael Sabolcik
- Ken Sichel
- Lynn & Tom Spina
- Ed Trout
- Deborah Blackiston
- Lauren DeCorte, Sue Hawco's daughter
- Marlowe Muni, Kim & Carmen's grandson
- Steve, friend of Tony Logandro
- Meegan Hussain, friend of the Heusers
- Carol & Dick Boyle, sister & brother-in-law of Candace Lowden
- Rev. Daniel Park, friend of the Heusers
- Will Baberick, Polly Mitchell's son
- Kathy Yurkow, sister-in-law of the Hudsons
- Elijah Scardilli, grandson of friends of the Hudsons

pray without ceasing
1 Thessalonians 5:17



Greeters

Suzanne Ritter

Deacons

Anne Andrews
Bill Burrough
Janice Perry

LiveStream

Korey Owens
Erin Gallagher

Counters

Will Burrough
George Newnam
Mark Zimmerman

Nursery

Kam Evans
Maria Masi

SS: Adults

Class-led
Room 2

Faith-Walk Class

Pastor Eliza
Nursery

SS: PreK-Grade 2

Kathy Mullan
Room 3

SS: Grades 3-5

Kate Colantonio
Room 7

SS Grades 6-8

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Room 6

THIS WEEK @ FIRST PRES...

Sunday, January 18

- 9:30am - Sunday School for ALL Ages
- 9:30am - Calvins Rehearsal
- 10:10am - Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30am - Worship in Sanctuary & on FB

Jan. 19 - Jan. 26

Pastor Eliza out of the office for Continuing Education

Monday, Jan. 19

Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Office Closed

Tuesday, Jan. 20

9:30am - Friendship Circle, Parlor

Wednesday, Jan. 21

11:00am - Adult Bible Study, on Zoom

Thursday, Jan. 22

6:45pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:30pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Scripture Verses for Today's Service

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 1:11-19 (NRSV)

¹¹ Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. ¹² The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³ And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴ And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶ God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷ God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸ to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹ And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

Gospel Lesson: John 1:43-51 (NRSV)

Jesus Calls Philip and Nathanael

⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴ Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." ⁴⁶ Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸ Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹ Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰ Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹ And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

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I am the Lord your God . . . who directs you in the way you should go. Is. 48:17

1. He lead - eth me, O bless - ed thought, O words with heaven - ly
2. Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine, nor ev - er mur - mur
3. And when my task on earth is done, when by thy grace the

com - fort fraught! What - e'er I do, wher - e'er I be, still
nor re - pine, con - tent, what - ev - er lot I see, since
vic - tory's won, e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since

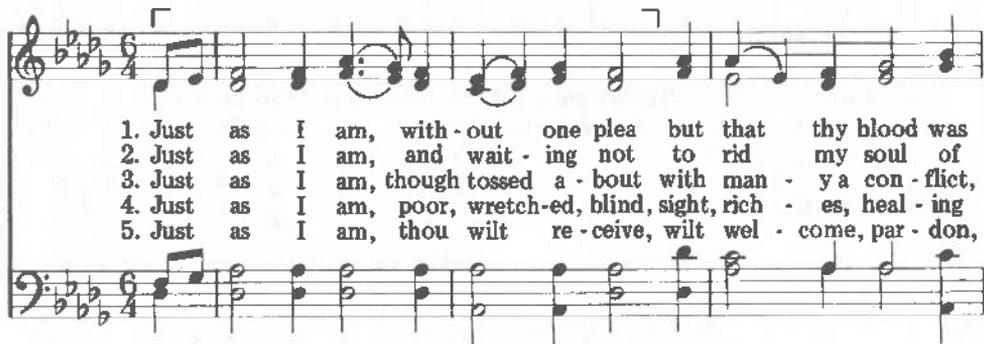
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'tis God's hand that lead - eth me.
'tis my God that lead - eth me. He lead - eth me, he
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lead - eth me, by his own hand he lead - eth me! His

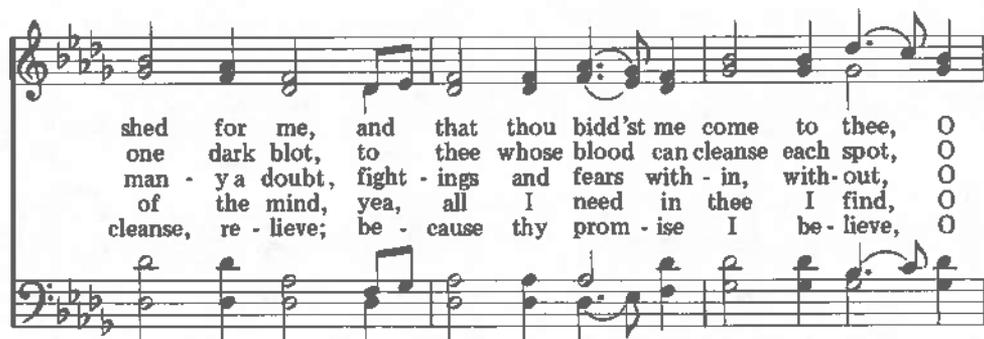
faith - ful fol - lower I would be, for by his hand he lead - eth me.

Just As I Am, without One Plea 445

Whoever comes to me I will never drive away. Jn. 6:37



1. Just as I am, with-out one plea but that thy blood was
2. Just as I am, and wait-ing not to rid my soul of
3. Just as I am, though tossed a-bout with man-ya con-flict,
4. Just as I am, poor, wretch-ed, blind, sight, rich-es, heal-ing
5. Just as I am, thou wilt re-ceive, wilt wel-come, par-don,



shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O
one dark blot, to thee whose blood can cleanse each spot, O
man-ya doubt, fight-ings and fears with-in, with-out, O
of the mind, yea, all I need in thee I find, O
cleanse, re-lieve; be-cause thy prom-ise I be-lieve, O

Coda (after Verse 5)



Lamb of God, I come! I come!
Lamb of God, I come! I come! O Lamb of God, I come.

WORDS: Charlotte Elliott, 1834
MUSIC: William B. Bradbury, 1849

WOODWORTH
L.M.Coda

Church Announcements

THIS
WEEK
JAN 18

There Are Still Angels in the (Pledge) Outfield!



Yes, another reference to an old movie involving angels. After last Sunday more pledge angels stepped forward & committed to the team for 2026. Blessings to them! But ... there are still a few holdouts who seem to be lingering in the outfield.

Put your angel wings on and submit a pledge: ***the team needs you!*** We are getting very close to our budget goal, which will bring joy to all. To pledge, scan the QR code above, use the link in your e-News, pick up a pledge card in the narthex, or just email or tell us your intention. Your prayerful consideration will help us all win. We look forward to a winning season with all our pledge angels going to bat for First Pres!

—Leslie Clark & Your Stewardship Committee



Confirmation Informational Meeting

All teens in 8th grade or greater are invited to join this year's confirmation class. Pastor Eliza is holding an Informational Meeting on **Sunday, February 1**, after worship in the Teen Room upstairs. At the meeting, we'll discuss the schedule, curriculum, and answer any questions you may have. Contact Pastor Eliza with any questions.

Friendship Circle Meets Tuesday

The Friendship Circle will meet next on **Tuesday, January 20 at 9:30am** in the parlor. They are continuing their study of "Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ" By Rhashell D. Hunter. Carole Leadbeater will present the lesson and Pat Thompson will provide the refreshments. Hope you can make it!



Pastor Eliza Away Next Week

Please note that Pastor Eliza will be away next week, **Monday, January 19 through Monday, January 26**, for continuing education. For pastoral emergencies, please contact Marci Spiegle (Clerk of Session) or Pastor Paul Seefeldt from Somerdale Presbyterian (the office has his contact info if needed).

Out of OFFICE



PER CAPITA

Your Contribution Makes the Difference!

Every year, we ask our congregation members to please contribute their per capita cost to help meet our church's budget. In 2026 the cost is **\$40 per member**. In the past you have been wonderful & generous in donating your per capita shares. Many of you gave enough to cover others as well ... *thank you!* We hope that you will do so again this year. Please donate by using the envelope provided in your pledge envelope box and bring it or mail it to church, or fill out the brief form below & include it with your payment.

We appreciate your help!! *Leslie Clark, Stewardship Chair*

As a reminder, per capita is the per-member cost charged by our presbytery to cover its expenses. You can find a full explanation on the *Per Capita Apportionment* envelope in your pledge box.

Per Capita Contribution 2026

Name: _____ Env. # _____

Number of Members: _____ x \$40.00 = \$ _____ (Total Due)

Volunteer Opportunities at Cathedral Kitchen

In 2026, the Mission Committee has opportunities to help out at Cathedral Kitchen. In December & January, a group helped out at the pre-dinner service from 1:00 to 2:30pm. The task? Packing to-go bags with sandwiches, fruit, a dessert item, and occasionally a few other items. Would you like to be a part of this mission opportunity? We are assembling a group to pack the bags on **Friday, February 13** (1:00-2:30pm) and would love to have you join this worthwhile endeavor. Please contact Hal Wyckoff if interested.



Sunday School Update

We are so grateful for the many teachers who volunteered to lead Sunday School classes in the fall! The January-May sign-up is open & we hope to see everyone today, as our Sunday School classes resumed. We have needs for **ALL our great classes:**



PreK-2nd, 3rd-5th, & 6-8th grade. Remember that whether you teach one, three, or more sessions, it all helps tremendously! You can sign up on the board in the Parlor, by scanning the QR code here, or clicking the link in your weekly e-News. Thank you!

Game Collection for UrbanPromise



We are sure that many of you recall the wonderful summer sermon series that Eliza had on the importance of board GAMES (“Faith on Board”) and what they can teach us as we play. Some of the games were *Monopoly, Life, Jenga, Clue* and *Candy Land*. We can all agree that playing games as a family can be educational, fun, competitive and also a little bit crazy at times. The Mission Committee has come up with a plan to support UrbanPromise families. We'd like to provide each student in grades Kindergarten-8th grade with a game that they can take home and play with friends and/or family. These games will be on the small scale (no large board games) and as reasonably priced as we can get. On Sunday, December 28, we will have a poster in the parlor displaying different game names on slips of paper. Please consider taking one or 2 slips, purchasing the game(s), and returning them to church **by Sunday, January 25**. The students will all be given their games in February before their annual weeklong break, aptly named “Family Week.” Thanks for your help as we promote families *playing* & learning together.

Chancel Flowers for 2026

Please reach out to Patti Pawling to **confirm your desire to renew your Chancel Flower dedication for 2026!** Patti will be working off of the current 2025 chancel flower calendar. Let her know if you want to keep your same week for next year, choose a different date/week, add a new dedication for next year, or not renew your dedication in 2026.



Presbytery-Wide Youth Gathering for Grades 6-12!

SAVE *the* DATE!
Saturday, Feb. 28



First Pres
YOUTH
GROUP

Save the date for our first presbytery-wide Youth Gathering on **Saturday, February 28**, from 12:00 - 4:00pm at Haddonfield Pres. Church. We'll share a fun & meaningful afternoon that includes:

- Lunch
 - Energizing worship with a youth-centered speaker
 - Space for small-group conversations to help young people connect and reflect
 - A hands-on mission project where we'll practice compassion & justice together
- It's a day to grow, play, wonder, & remember that faith comes alive in community.

2026 Epiphany Stars Are Here!



Don't forget to pick up your Epiphany Star for 2026! Each star displays a special word to guide your intentions & prayer time for the new year. The stars are available in the narthex or church office if you haven't picked one up yet. Please contact the office if you'd like one mailed to you.

GET READY TO TACKLE HUNGER!

IT'S TIME FOR...
**SUNDAY,
FEBRUARY 8**

As this is Ruth's **10th year** coordinating this event, we're celebrating after worship with games & snacks at our ...

10TH YEAR TAILGATE PARTY!

Last year we collected our most units yet -1171- between money & soup donations. We are more than capable of getting that number to **1200** or more this year. Let's make our 10th year, our best one yet! But most importantly, **GO BIRDS!** -Ruth Gallagher

Bring your cans to church or place them in the food donation bin by the office entrance.

Donate via PayPal, by scanning the QR code here & selecting **Souper Bowl of Caring** in the dropdown list.

