



Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

February 1, 2026

* *Please stand if you are able*

Prelude: "Trio V and Trio VII"

Josef Rheinberger

Gathering

WELCOME & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Acolyte: Jesus Christ is the light of the world. We light this candle as a sign that Christ has come and Christ will come again. As the light pushes back darkness let us walk with, learn from, and worship Jesus Christ.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.

All: For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him.

Liturgist: He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy.

All: For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him,

Liturgist: and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.
Colossians 1:15-20

* **All Singing: 15 "The First Place"**
Soloist singing first verse, all repeat, singing verses 1 & 2

- * GOD'S GREETING
- * GOD'S PEOPLE GREETING ONE ANOTHER

* **All Singing: 581 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"**

Children ages 2–7 may come forward for a brief word and blessing before they leave for "God Loves Me" and "Children in Worship."

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reconciliation

Liturgist: Listen to what the Lord says: Stand up and plead your case before the mountains; Let the hills hear what you have to say. Hear, O mountains, the Lord's accusation; Listen, you foundations of the earth. For the Lord has a charge against his people, He is lodging a charge against Israel:

All: Lord we are listening.

Liturgist: My people, what have I done to you? How have I burdened you? Answer me. I brought you out of Egypt, and redeemed you from the land of slavery. I sent Moses to you; I sent Aaron and Miriam. *Micah 6:1-4 adapted*

All: Lord, in your mercy, forgive us. We forget that we have been liberated and we settle for slavery. We neglect your voice and we listen to our own.

Silent Confession and Reflection

All Singing: "Have Mercy" McCracken

**Have mercy on us, have mercy on us,
O Lord, have mercy, O Lord, have mercy**

**O help my unbelief, O help my unbelief,
O Lord, have mercy, O Lord, have mercy,**

**Have mercy on us, have mercy on us,
O Lord, have mercy, O Lord, have mercy**

Liturgist: Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise, not many were influential, not many were of noble birth.

All: But God chose the foolish things of this world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. He chose the lowly things, and the despised things, and the things that are not, so that no one can boast.

Liturgist: God has called you out in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God –

All: that is our righteousness, holiness, and redemption.

Liturgist: Therefore, let those who boast, boast in the Lord! *I Corinthians 1:26-31 adapted*

* **All Singing: 679 "For Freedom Christ Has Set Us Free"**

Liturgist: Matthew 5:1-10

Proclamation

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: God, our helper, by your Holy Spirit open our minds and lead us into your truth for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Scripture: I Corinthians 1:18-31

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: *Sophia and Moria*

* **All Singing:** 175 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Liturgist: With joy, let us now offer our gifts, in music, heart, and resource, as a sign of our deep devotion and covenant faithfulness.

OFFERING

1. General Fund
2. Luke Society

OFFERTORY “Son of God, Eternal Savior”

arr. Mark Albrecht

* **All Singing:** 358 “Give Thanks”

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sending

* BENEDICTION

* **All Singing:** 296 “We are Called”

Postlude: “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”
with “Joy Unspeakable”

arr. Karen Ball

Worship Leaders

Organist: Lynn Hollender
Pianist: Anna Triezenberg-Sims
Violinist / Vocalist: Bethany Keeley-Jonker
Guitar: Clay Carlson
Jeremy Hulford
Minister: Roger Nelson

Acolyte: Ari Varghese
Liturgist: Emily E. Hillegonds
Prayer: Bill Boerman-Cornell

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