

January 18, 2026 Second Sunday after Epiphany & Human Relations Day 10:30

*Those who are able, please stand
WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

WELCOME

We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today. We hope the service will be a blessing to you. Today is the Second Sunday after Epiphany and it is Human Relations Day. Please join us after service for coffee and fellowship time.

January 18, 2026 - TRUSTEE/ADMIN MEETING TODAY @12:00 Noon

January 19, 2026 - Food Pantry 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

January 19, 2026 - Free Lunch 11:30-12:30

January 19, 2026 @ 3:00 PM Martin Luther King Service @Johnstown Lutheran Church

January 20, 2026 - Lay Servant Service at Wells House @ 10:30

January 25, 2026 - Staff-Parish Meeting at 12:00 Noon

MUSICAL PRELUDE: "It is Well with My Soul" Pianist Mavis Baldwin

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (In Unison)

God is faithful and ever-present. His love is poured out to us unconditionally. The God who knew us before our birth loves us still and strengthens us, that we will one day be blameless. Through the gift of Jesus Christ, God offers forgiveness, grace, and mercy. Enter into the light given to us by God.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the very beginning, God separated the darkness and the light. God called the Light "Day" and the Darkness, God called "Night".

People: We were once people who dwelled in darkness, but God has given us the true Light, Jesus Christ.

Leader: Listen everyone! God has given us work to do.

People: God has called each of us to service to him even before we were born.

Leader: It was God who named us. It is God who now calls us by name. The light of God's love shines in us.

People: Let us get ready to praise God for all God's blessings each and every day. Let's shine God's love into all the world!

GATHERING SONG

"Here I Am, Lord"

UMH 593

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (In Unison)

God of us all. You spoke to the prophets, but your message did not end with them. There is still work to be done, and we pray to hear your call afresh. Help us joyfully claim our role as your beloved servants, knowing that you provide all that we need to do our work. You walked with us before we were even born, and you continue to hold us by the hand each and every day of our lives. We pray with the assurance of those who have been called into fellowship with your Son, Jesus Christ as we walk through each day in service with him. Amen.

TIME WITH GOD'S CHILDREN

SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS (Prayer request forms are available at the back of the sanctuary)

PASTORAL PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE

O Lord Hear My Prayer

TFWS 2200

GIVING OF OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "The Wonder of it All" Chancel Choir

DOXOLOGY "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING

Generous God, you have already given us all that we need. Help us trust your continued care, that we may share with others the abundance of your blessings. Strengthen us for service, and remind us of the great joy that awaits those who answer your call. Accept our gifts and give us new songs of praise as we celebrate the opportunity to be in ministry, in the name of Jesus. Amen

SONG OF COMMITMENT "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

TFWS 2171

PSALTER READING

Psalm 40

UMH 774-775

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (please stand) Statement of Faith/Canada UMH 883

GLORIA PATRI (We use this ancient response to praise God for the Bible) UMH 70

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 49:1-7 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9 Gospel Reading John 1: 29-42

SHARING THE STORY “Come and See” Pastor Joyce Royal

SENDING SONG “Go, Make of All Disciples” UMH571

THE SENDING FORTH

Go in the love of the One who strengthens us for the work to which we are called. Go in the fellowship of Jesus Christ, who claims us as sisters and brothers. Go in the community of the Holy Spirit, who binds us together with all the saints. Go with grace to shine God's love into all of the world. Amen.

MUSICAL POSTLUDE “Many Gifts, One Spirit” Pianist Mavis Baldwin

Prayer List: Elaine Schrum, Reese Patterson, Carol Sinsigalli (A Friend of James's Grandmother) Family of Jamie Reisdorf, Family of Mark Locatelli, The Family of John Gerdens, The Family of Joan Alley, Nancy Marsh, Sandy Marsh, Gloria Sutler, Calae Bonfey, Carol Johnson, Ivy Patterson, The Sanfords, Don Williams

*** If you have a joy or a prayer request or would like to be a part of the Prayer Chain group, please call Carol Johnson at 518-21-9902 ***

We also have an **EMAIL** address for Prayer Requests.
You can email your request to prayers.nmsumc@gmail.com



Welcome to Worship

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We Gather to Worship

We Scatter to Serve

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

