

ORDER OF SERVICE
5th Sunday after Epiphany
February 8th, 2026
GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Announcements & Affirmation of Community

Minute for Mission

Nancy Olsen

Joys and Concerns

Prelude

“The Secret”

By Dr. Adrian Carr, from the album *11*.

Silent Reflection Time

Choral Introit

“Great Is The Lord”

Words by & music by Michael W. Smith
& Deborah D. Smith.

Call to Worship

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Jesus proclaims, “You are the light of the world.”
Thanks be to God.

***Hymn**

“When Morning Gilds the Skies”

#667

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we have asked for your righteous judgement against others, but we have not acknowledged the sin in our own lives. We have worshiped you with our lips, but have dishonored you with our actions. We have prayed for you to end the suffering in our world, yet we have not practiced compassion and generosity toward others. Our religion has become the source of quarreling rather than a testimony to your grace. Forgive our self-righteousness and give us integrity of heart, that we may shine forth the light of your salvation, through Christ our Lord. **Amen. (Silent Prayer)**

Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri**

#581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

First Reading

1 Corinthians 2:1–12

pg. 166

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem

“My Lord! What A Morning”

Traditional American Spiritual

Second Reading

Matthew 5:13-20

pg. 4

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Salt & Light”

Rev. Tim Luoma

Silent Reflection Time

***Hymn**

“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

#629

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

Offertory Invitation

Offertory

“Standing on the Promises”

Words & Music by R. Kelso Carter

***Doxology**

#606

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.

***Prayer of Thanksgiving/Dedication**

Loving God, we give thanks for all that you have given to us and praise you for your astounding goodness. Receive the dedication of our hearts, minds, and bodies for the ministry of your church. Bless our offering for the work of your kingdom, and give us wisdom for the right use of all you have provided, through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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

“Amen”

Musical Setting by Marty Haugen

***Hymn**

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” #65

***Benediction**

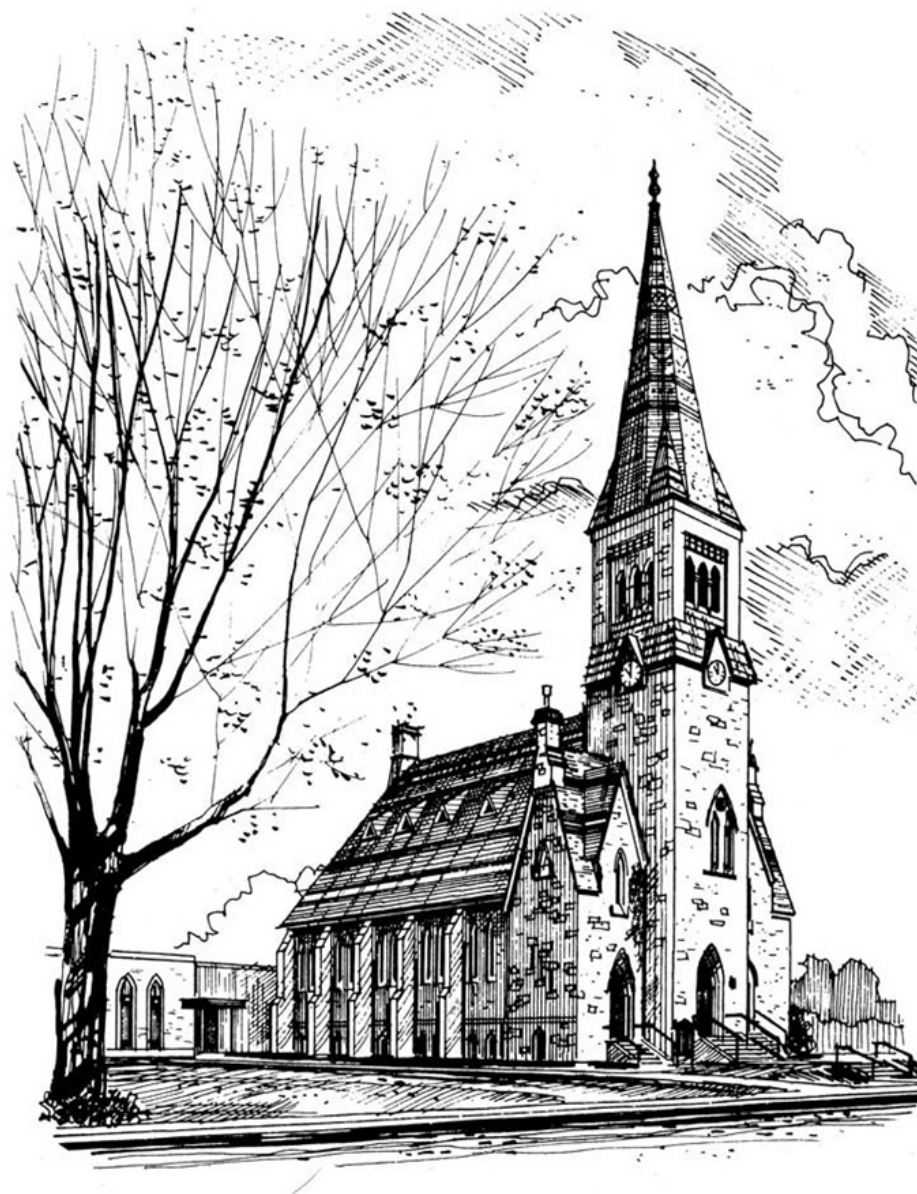
Benediction Response

“Lord Make Us More Holy”

Words by Anna Bartlett Warner,
Music by William Batchelder Bradbury

Postlude

All are asked to remain seated for the postlude.



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Happy Birthday!

Wendy Parker	2/11	Lyn Mulholland	2/14
Judy Duken	2/15	Bill Merrill	2/16
Luke Moore	2/22	Debra Donahue	2/23
Holly Guay	2/25	Rowena Genier	2/29

More Ways to Help Financially

If you are interested in helping us with other areas, here are two ways that can help our financial deficit.

1) We pay a \$46 *per member* assessment each year for each registered member of the congregation and do not request that payment from the congregants. Contributing to this fee would be greatly appreciated.

2) We maintain a balance in our Line of Credit. We pay 3% (annual) interest on the balance each month. Contributions to reduce our LOC balance reap an extra 3% reward due to the interest accrued being reduced.

Thank you in advance for your assistance. Your contributions are greatly appreciated!

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

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PRAYER FAMILIES FOR THE WEEK of February 8th, 2026

Cathy Ellis

Sue Everett

Kathe & Malcolm Fairweather

Rowena Genier

PRAYER CONCERNS

Matt Burgin and family

Jack Myers

Barbara Thompson

John & Joy Mazur

Tish Landis

The Family of Doris Drollette

The Family of Kathy Javner

The People of Minneapolis

This Sunday we thank:

WORSHIP LEADER: Kerry Haley

USHERS: Nancy Olsen & Marilyn Smith

FELLOWSHIP: Linda Voss, Celeste & Tish

ZOOM COORDINATOR: Jennie Booth

Worship Leaders

Feb 15- Rob Meisenheimer
Feb 22- Anne Bailey

Fellowship Time

Feb 15- Fat Sunday Dessert Potluck
Feb 22- Sara & Howard Black

Ushers

Feb 15- Rob & Sally Meisenheimer
Feb 22- Deb Donahue & Connie Harrica

Zoom Coordinators

Feb 15- Jim Snook
Feb 22- Gabe Snook

Fellowship Time

Hosts for ***Fellowship Time*** are needed, please sign up in Fellowship Hall or by e-mail at office@presbyplatt.org

‘Fat Sunday’ Dessert Potluck

The Worship & Music Council will be hosting Fellowship Hour with our annual Fat Sunday Dessert Potluck on February 15th this year. Bring a dessert to share and overdose with us on treats that you may be giving up for the 40 days of Lent!

Ash Wednesday

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on February 18th, 2026. As we prepare for the Lenten season, a time of contemplation and reflection, we begin with an Ash Wednesday gathering in Fellowship Hall for a simple meal of soup and bread, followed by a brief worship service and the imposition of ashes. Please join us at 6 pm.

Lenten Book Study

This Lent we will be reading “*Open Mind, Open Heart*” by Thomas Keating. If you are interested in joining, please see Pastor Tim. We will meet on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in-person and on Zoom (hybrid). This book is designed to initiate the reader into a deep, living relationship with God. Written by an acknowledged spiritual master, the book moves beyond “discursive meditation and particular acts to the intuitive level of contemplation.”

Sunday, Feb 8:	9:00 am	Choir Practice
	9:00 am	Adult Church School
	9:30 am	Special Session Meeting
	10:00 am	Worship Service
	6:00 pm	ACoA Meeting
Tuesday, Feb 10:	10:30 am	Bible Study
	Noon	AA Meeting
	5:00 pm	Deacons Meeting
	5:00 pm	Personnel Meeting
Wednesday, Feb 11:	5:30 pm	Finance Committee Meeting
	7:00 pm	Plattsburgh Table Tennis
Thursday, Feb 12:	9:15 am	Quilting Group
	Noon	AA Meeting
	6:00 pm	Choir Practice
Sunday, Feb 15:	9:00 am	Choir Practice
	9:00 am	Adult Church School
	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:15 am	Fat Sunday Dessert Potluck
	6:00 pm	ACoA Meeting

Looking Ahead:

- Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 8th, 2026.
- Palm Sunday is March 29th, 2026.
- Easter Sunday is April 5th, 2026.