

WE GATHER IN CHRIST'S NAME

GATHERING MUSIC

Amazing Grace

Columbian Harmony
Arr. Victor Labenske

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CENTERING SILENCE

The Rev. Dr. James Butler

* UNISON INTROIT (Hymn 17, v. 4)

***Sing praises now, God's people, your gift of speech employ,
To praise the Lord, your Maker, with thankfulness and joy!
Sing with the whole creation; a cosmic chorus raise.
To God alone be glory and everlasting praise!***

* GREETING AND OPENING RESPONSES (from Psalm 133)

Terry Dugan

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

How good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity.

It is like ointment that soothes the body from head to toe.

It is like the dew of Hermon, following on the mountains of Zion.

It is there the Lord ordains blessing and life, forevermore.

Thankful for our life together in Christ, let us worship with glad hearts.

Alleluia. Amen.

* HYMN 401

"Here in This Place"

GATHER US IN

* ACCLAMATION AND PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Beloved in Christ: God is with us!

We are not alone!

CALL TO CONFESSION AND SILENT REFLECTION

RESPONSIVE CONFESSION

We have sinned, in thought, word, and deed, in what we have done and left undone.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

We fail to love you with all our heart, mind, and strength, and we have not loved our

neighbors as we love ourselves.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Pardon our sins, forgive our failures, and set us free for loving service.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

ANTHEM

A Little Jazz Mass, 1. Kyrie

Bob Chilcott

Kyrie, eleison. (Lord, have mercy upon us.)

Christe, eleison. (Christ, have mercy upon us.)

Krie, eleison. (Lord, have mercy upon us.)

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

FIRST LESSON

I Corinthians 1:18-25

(Pew Bible, N.T. p.166)

* GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 5:1-12

(Pew Bible, N.T. p.4)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

DEPARTING SONG

Jesus loves me, this I know. For the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to him belong. We are weak, but he is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me. The Bible tells me so.

SERMON

"When the 'Right Side' Is Not 'Up'"

Dr. Butler

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for doing what is right..."

* HYMN 172

"Blest Are They"

BLEST ARE THEY

WE PRAY AND GIVE THANKS

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.

OFFERTORY

Give Me Jesus
Venus Minaya, solo

Traditional Spiritual
Arr. Moses Hogan

In the mornin' when I rise, give me Jesus. You may have all this world, give me Jesus. Dark midnight was my cry, give me Jesus. You may have all this world, give me Jesus. Oh, when I come to die, give me Jesus. You may have all this world, give me Jesus.

* **DOXOLOGY** (Hymn 606)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Peter C. Lutkin

Please remain seated while food is brought to the buffet tables.

Our Mission

To extend the gracious welcome of God in Jesus Christ through worship, service and spiritual growth in a supportive community of faith.

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

February 1, 2026

10 a.m.
