

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
FEBRUARY 1, 2026

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Preparing for Worship: The Bible proclaims the surprising, good news that God’s blessing belongs to persons often overlooked in the world. We gather as God’s people to hear Jesus’ teaching, trusting that God’s wisdom shapes us for lives of compassion, justice, and faithful witness. As you take a few minutes of quiet prayer in preparation for worship, may your heart be open to Christ’s call to live differently for the sake of God’s kingdom.

Prelude **Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Accompanist**

Welcome and Greetings in Jesus’ Name **Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter**

***Opening Song (Stand) # 230** **“Old Rugged Cross”** *OLD RUGGED CROSS*

***Call to Worship:**
Come, all who would do what is right;
Come, all who would speak truth from the heart.
Let us gather in God’s holy temple.
Take up no reproach against your neighbor.
Make peace and honor those who fear the LORD!
God is faithful and steadfast and good!
Let us remember the saving acts of the LORD!
Indeed, God has told you what is good.
And what does the LORD require of you?
To do justice and love kindness and walk humbly with God.
Let us, one and all devote ourselves to such things!
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Opening Prayer (Stand) **Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter**

Song of Faith # **“The Heart of Worship”** *Worship Team*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Scripture Reader: Charles Tanksley

The First Reading **Micah 6:1-8**

The Second Reading **1 Corinthians 1:18-31**

Gospel Reader: Deacon Sonia Roling

***The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ (Stand)** **Matthew 5:1-12**

***Responsorial (Stand)** **“The Wonderful Cross”** *Worship Team*

***Greeting and Sharing Peace with Family and Neighbors (Stand)**

The Children's Sermon (Children’s Church for Students Preschool–3rd Grade)

Announcements & Prayers of the People

Presentation of Tithes, Gifts, and Donations – As God has richly blessed us in Christ, we bring our tithes and gifts of first fruits with gratitude, offering them for the work of God’s love and justice in the world.

Offertory

A Prayer of Illumination & Message **“Be Salty & Get Lit”**
The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

WE FEAST AT THE TABLE OF THE LORD

Invitation to the Table of the Lord[†] (Servers Prepare)

Communion Song **“Behold The Lamb”**

Words of Institution and 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever.

Holy Communion: The Lord's Supper

Breaking of Bread

The Body of Christ; The Bread of Heaven

Passing of the Cup

The Blood of Christ; The Cup of Salvation

WE RESPOND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH AND SERVICE

Invitation to Faith and Fellowship – If the Spirit of God is moving you to receive God's forgiving love in Jesus, calling you to be a follower of Jesus in the waters of baptism or encouraging you to join this Christian Church, please come forward during this song.

***Hymn (Stand) # 389**

"Blest Be The Tie that Binds"

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***Spoken Benediction**

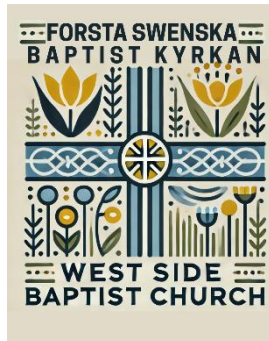
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Postlude

Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Accompanist

HOW TO JOIN THIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH - COME FORWARD – Any person professing faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and accepting the Baptist principles, practices, and the covenant of this church, may join this Christian church. Persons interested in affiliating should speak with the Pastor or come forward at a congregation meeting. A person may join by Believer's Baptism, Letter of Transfer from a previous Christian church with prior baptism, or a Satisfactory Statement of Christian Faith.

OUR MISSION – **We love God and We love People** by sharing the Good News of God's forgiving, renewing love in Jesus Christ by word and deed to improve the lives of neighbors. West Side Baptist Church is an independent, autonomous Christian church partnering for mission support with like-minded people of faith in our City, County, State, Nation, and World.



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