

Order of Worship

January 25, 2026 10:00 AM

Welcome to this time of worship, as we gather in the name of Jesus Christ.

Welcome

Greeting

Leader: Come! Let's praise the Lord, who is our light and our hope.
Come to the Lord who is always near to us. We are never alone!

**People: We praise the Lord. The Lord is the stronghold of our lives
now and forever more.**

Leader: We've gathered to sing and make melody to the Lord.

**People: We lift up our minds and hearts
and offer our whole selves with shouts of joy!**

Leader: We know our best hope is to seek God all the days of our lives.

**People: So we come together to praise the One who is gracious to us all.
Let us sing from our hearts!**

Hymn

Jesus Messiah

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Let us center our hearts as we confess and ask God's forgiveness.
Loving God, help us.
When we have run away,
when we have turned our backs on love,
when we have sought immediate satisfaction
and not long-term healing, help us.
Hold us when we have chosen fear over love.

**All: Merciful God, forgive us.
When we have been selfish, when we have been mean,
when we have closed our ears to the cries of others, forgive us.**

Leader: Loving Spirit, heal us.
When we are so broken we cannot move,
when we are paralyzed in our stubbornness,
when we are too ashamed to seek community,
heal us and lead us home to your heart.

**All: Give us the courage, the strength, and the hope
to accept your grace and hear your call in Christ.**

Words of Forgiveness

Leader: Siblings in Christ, breathe deep and know you are loved, accepted and forgiven. Welcome home Siblings in Christ. None of us are left to wander aimlessly. You are home. Grace surrounds you. Together in Christ, we will all walk into tomorrow with Light before our every step. For this, be very assured and grateful. Welcome home!

All: Amen.

Scripture

Psalm 27

Sermon

Where Is Your North Star?

Rev. Scott Duncan Hopkins

Morning Prayer

Offering

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Benediction
