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THE CONNECTION

January 18, 2026
10:30am



The Sacrament Of The Altar will be celebrated at the 10:30 AM service. Anyone who is not yet instructed, in doubt or holds a differing confession and yet desires to receive the Sacrament, is asked first to speak with a Pastor, Elder or Worship Assistant.

--PRESERVICE SONG “*Come As You Are*”

--ANNOUNCEMENTS

--WORSHIP SONG “*I Will Follow*” (Exodus 13:21-22; Luke 18:22)

Intro...Where You go, I'll go; where You stay, I'll stay; when You move, I'll move. I will follow. Oh, oh, oh.

Verse 1...All Your ways are good, all Your ways are sure; I will trust in You alone. Higher than my sight, high above my life; I will trust in You alone. In You alone.

Chorus...Where You go, I'll go; where You stay, I'll stay; when You move, I'll move. I will follow (You.) Whom You love, I'll love; how You serve, I'll serve; if this life I lose, I will follow (You, yeah. I will follow You, yeah.)

Verse 2...Light into the world, Light into my life I will live for You alone. You're the One I seek, knowing I will find all I need in You alone. In You alone. Chorus...

Bridge...In You, there's life everlasting. In You, there's freedom for my soul. In You, there's joy, unending joy; and I will follow.

Sing Chorus twice, then...I will follow You, yeah. I will follow You, yeah.

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--INVOCATION

P. In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C. Amen

--BAPTISM OF WRENLEY LORRAINE

Daughter of Wyatt James and Lexianne Ruth

Baptism liturgy, then...

P. Finally, Wrenley, God washes you of your sins in baptism but He also brings you into His family. We welcome you into our family in God's name. Come and enjoy with us the many gifts of God as we all wait for the day of His return.

C. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.

P. Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You have sent us Your Son, Jesus, to take our place in death and rise from the grave. We thank You for working through baptism to wash us of our sins and bring us into Your family.

P. We thank You for bringing Wrenley to the waters of baptism and now we ask You to help us surround Wrenley with Your love so we can walk in grace and new life together. Protect Wrenley from the temptations of this world and bless her to join us in the life of faith.

P. The Lord preserve you in every step of your life from now to life eternal.
The peace of Christ \textpm be with you.

C. Amen.

(Please stand)

--CONFESSON OF SINS

P. Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C. Most merciful God, in Your kindness and love You have saved us. You've rescued us from the coldness of our sin. Yet, we still struggle to share Your warmth in our daily living. Our thoughts don't always follow Your thoughts. Our ways often stray from Your ways. We sin against not only You, but against our neighbors, as well. Forgive us, dear Lord. Wrap us securely in Your love and lead us in Your good ways. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

--FORGIVNESS OF SINS

P. Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and for His sake He forgives you. As a called and ordained servant of the Lord, and on His behalf, I say to you, "You are forgiven." In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen

(Please sit)

--FIRST LESSON *Isaiah 49:1-7*

¹Listen to me, O coastlands,
 and give attention, you peoples from afar.
The LORD called me from the womb,
 from the body of my mother he named my name.
²He made my mouth like a sharp sword;
 in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow;
 in his quiver he hid me away.
³And he said to me, "You are my servant,
 Israel, in whom I will be glorified."
⁴But I said, "I have labored in vain;
 I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my right is with the LORD,
 and my recompense with my God."
⁵And now the LORD says,
 he who formed me from the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him;
 and that Israel might be gathered to him—
for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD,
 and my God has become my strength—
⁶he says: "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
 to raise up the tribes of Jacob
 and to bring back the preserved of Israel;
I will make you as a light for the nations,
 that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."
⁷Thus says the LORD,
 the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation,
 the servant of rulers:
"Kings shall see and arise;
 princes, and they shall prostrate themselves;
because of the LORD, who is faithful,
 the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

L. Here ends the first reading.

--SECOND LESSON *1 Corinthians 1:1-9*

¹Paul, called by the will of God to be
an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our
brother Sosthenes,
²To the church of God that is in
Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ

Jesus, called to be saints together with
all those who in every place call upon
the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both
their Lord and ours:

(continued...)

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—⁶even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—⁷so that you are

(Please stand)

--GOSPEL LESSON John 1:29-42a

²⁹The next day [John] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.’ ³¹I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel.” ³²And John bore witness: “I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ ³⁴And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God.”

(Please sit)

--CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

L. Here ends the second reading.

³⁵The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God!” ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, “What are you seeking?” And they said to him, “Rabbi” (which means Teacher), “where are you staying?” ³⁹He said to them, “Come and you will see.” So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. ⁴¹He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means Christ). ⁴²He brought him to Jesus.

P. Here ends the reading of the Gospel.

--OFFERING / MESSAGE SONG “*Praise the Father, Praise the Son*”

Verse 1...O sov'reign God, O matchless King the saints adore, the angels sing, and fall before the throne of grace to You belongs the highest praise.

Verse 2...These sufferings, this passing tide under Your wings I will abide, and ev'ry enemy shall flee; You are my hope and victory.

Verse 3...To the valley, for my soul; Thy great descent has made me whole! Your Word my heart has welcomed home; now peace like water ever flows.

Chorus...Praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit, Three in One; clothed in power and in grace, the name above all other names. The name above all other names.

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--MESSAGE OF THE DAY “Look! THE LAMB OF GOD. LISTEN TO HIM!**”**

(Text: John 1:29-42a)

The Rev. Rudy Maurer

(Please stand)

--PRAYERS

(Sung at beginning of prayers)

“The Spirit Intercedes For Us” (Romans 8:26)

The Spirit intercedes for us,
With sighs too deep for words to express, oh, oh, oh.

The pastor will conclude the prayers with:

“Holy Spirit, in our weakness, help us to pray...”

(Sung at end of the prayers)

“The Spirit Intercedes For Us” (Romans 8:26)

The Spirit intercedes for us,
With sighs too deep for words to express, oh, oh, oh.

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--THE LORD'S PRAYER---Caribbean (*Matthew 6:9-13*)

Verse 1... Our Father who art in heaven.

Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done. Hallowed be Thy name.

Verse 2...As in heaven, so on the earth.

Hallowed be Thy name. Give us this day our daily bread.
Hallowed be Thy name.

Verse 3... And forgive us, Lord, our trespasses.

Hallowed be Thy name. As we forgive those who
trespass against us. Hallowed be Thy name.

Verse 4...And lead us not into temptation.

Hallowed be Thy name. But deliver us from all evil.
Hallowed be Thy name.

Verse 5... For Thine is the kingdom, the power,
and the glory. Hallowed be Thy name.

Forever and forevermore. Hallowed be Thy name.

Verse 6...Amen, amen, it shall be so.

Hallowed be Thy name. Amen, amen, it shall be so.
Hallowed be Thy name.

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--WORDS OF INSTITUTION**--SONGS FOR DISTRIBUTION “Lord, I Need You”**

(*Psalm 116:6b; Hebrews 4:16; Philippians 4:19; Ephesians 2:8-10*)

Verse 1...Lord, I come, I confess. Bowing here, I find my rest.

Without You, I fall apart. You're the One that guides my heart.

Chorus...Lord, I need You, oh, I need You. Every hour, I need You.

My one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need You.

Verse 2...Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more. Where grace is found, is where
You are. Where You are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me. Chorus...

Bridge...So teach my song to rise to You, when temptation comes my way.

When I cannot stand, I'll fall on You. Jesus, You're my hope and stay. Chorus...

Tag...You're my one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need You.

My one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need You.

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“O Come, Let Us Adore Him” (Matthew 2:2,11; Psalm 18:46)

Verse 1...O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

Verse 2...We'll praise His name forever, We'll praise His name forever,
We'll praise His name forever, Christ the Lord.

Verse 3...We'll give Him all the glory, We'll give Him all the glory,
We'll give Him all the glory, Christ the Lord.

Verse 4...For You alone are worthy, For You alone are worthy,
For You alone are worthy, Christ the Lord.

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--COMMUNION DISMISSAL

P. The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body
and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

--BENEDICTION

P. The grace of our + Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the
Holy Spirit be with you all.

C. Amen.

--CLOSING SONG “Today is the Day” (Psalm 118: 24)

Verse 1...I'm casting my cares aside; I'm leaving my past behind; I'm setting my heart
and mind on You, Jesus.

Channel...I'm reaching my hands to Yours; believing there's so much more; Knowing
that all You have in store for me is good, is good.

Chorus...Today is the day You have made, I will rejoice and be glad in it. Today is the
day You have made, I will rejoice and be glad in it. And I won't worry about tomorrow,
I'm trusting in what You say. Today is the day. Today is the day.

Verse 2...I'm putting my fears aside; I'm leaving my doubts behind; I'm giving my
hopes and dreams to You, Jesus. Channel and Chorus, then ...

Bridge...[Men, lead]

I will stand upon Your truth.
And all my days I'll live for You.
And I will stand upon Your truth.
And all my days I'll live for You.

[Women, follow]

I will stand upon Your truth.
All my days I'll live for You.
I will stand upon Your truth.
All my days I'll live...

Final Chorus...Today is the day You have made, I will rejoice and be glad in it. Today is the day You have made, I will rejoice and be glad in it. And I won't worry about tomorrow, I'm giving You my fears and sorrows. Where You lead me I will follow; I'm trusting in what You say. Today is the day. Today is the day. Today is the day. Today is the day. Today is the day.

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P. Go in peace and serve the Lord!

C. Thanks be to God!

*** * * TO GOD BE THE GLORY * * ***

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