



*First  
Presbyterian Church*

Port Charlotte, FL



*Sunday, January 18, 2026*

**Second Sunday after Epiphany  
Ecumenical Week of Prayer for  
Christian Unity**

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# *God Calls Us to Worship*



## **CHIMES & APOSTOLIC GREETING**

## **PRELUDE**

*One Small Child*

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **CHORAL INTROIT**

*He Is the King of Kings*

## **EXCHANGE OF PEACE †**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP †**

One: O Lord, open our lips.

All: And our mouths shall declare your praise.

One: O Lord, open our eyes.

All: So that we may behold your presence.

One: O Lord, open our ears.

All: So that we may hear your call to follow.

One: O Lord, open our hearts.

All: So that we may offer you worship in love and joy.

## **OPENING HYMN †**

*#403 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

## *We Renew Our Relationship With God*

## **PRAYER OF ADORATION**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**



† Please stand in body or in spirit.



## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Faithful God, You sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost yet it's hard to recognize we have lost our way. We seek the next new thing instead of your gift of new life.

We follow the trends of our culture rather than Jesus' example. Wash over us with your cleansing Spirit, and renew our commitment to follow Your purposes revealed in Christ Jesus.

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

*We Respond to God*

## **MINOR DOXOLOGY†**

*#813 Glory Be To The Father*

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION**

## **ANTHEM-CHANCEL CHOIR**

*Let the River Flow*

## **CHILDREN'S BLESSING**

## **MINISTRY MOMENT**

*"Souper" Bowl of Caring  
Elder Nancy Sharpless*

## **OFFERTORY**

*Jesus, Messiah*

## **DOXOLOGY†**

*#815 Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

## **PRAYER OF DEDICATION†**

## **HYMN OF DEDICATION†**

*#817 O Bless The Gifts*





## *God Speaks to Us*



### **SCRIPTURE READING** John 1:29-42 (NRSVue)

29 The next day John [the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

30 This is the one I meant when I said, ‘A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.’

31 I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel.”

32 Then John gave this testimony: “I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him.

33 And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, ‘The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’

34 I have seen and I testify that this is God’s Chosen One.”

35 The next day John was there again with two of his disciples.

36 When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, “Look, the Lamb of God!”

37 When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus.

38 Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, “What do you want?” They said, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher), “where are you staying?”

39 “Come,” he replied, “and you will see.” So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon.



40 Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus.

41 The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, “We have found the Messiah” (that is, the Christ).

42 And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas” (which, when translated, is Peter.)

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**HYMN FOR ILLUMINATION**

*#633 Open Our Eyes, Lord*

**THE PREACHED WORD**

“From Prophet to Unemployed”

*God Sends Us Into the World*

**CLOSING HYMN†**

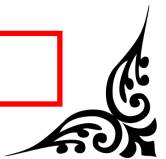
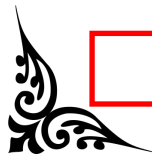
*#447 Jesus Loves the Little Children*

**COMMISSION & BENEDICTION†**

**SENDING HYMN†**

*Go Now In Peace*

We thank Mrs. Elaine Woods for being our liturgist today.



# CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS



## **BLESSED TREE** Invest in your future..

You're incapable of taking your wealth with you to the afterlife, but you can indeed have it greet you when you arrive.

## ***January Blessing Tree***

Please take a tag from the Blessing tree to help us provide for our community in need with our Benevolence Fund. Place your tag and check or cash and place in the envelope provided.



## ***House of David Series***

**Every Tuesday**

**6 PM**



## ***Prayer Group***

**Every Wednesday**

**12 noon**

Join us in a spiritual time of prayer.



## ***Praise & Prayer Midweek Service***

**Every Thursday**

**7 PM**

# PRAYER LIST

Bernadine Allesee & Family	-	<i>strength &amp; comfort</i>
Ray & Eric Bittinger	-	<i>health &amp; strength</i>
Hazel & Jerry Brown	-	<i>health needs</i>
Carolyn & Charlie Brox	-	<i>health needs</i>
Barbara Edwards	-	<i>health needs</i>
Jean Heim	-	<i>health needs</i>
Marjorie Hill	-	<i>health needs</i>
Carolanne Hoehle	-	<i>health needs</i>
Senior Lee	-	<i>health needs</i>
Sue Littrell	-	<i>health needs</i>
Violet Logan/Green	-	<i>strength &amp; comfort</i>
Richard Lund	-	<i>health needs</i>
Courtenay Mason	-	<i>health needs</i>
Brad Messick	-	<i>health needs</i>
George Mothershed	-	<i>health needs</i>
Paul Heins & Ann Boubant	-	<i>strength &amp; comfort</i>
Julie Nunez	-	<i>health needs</i>
Valciana Officer	-	<i>health needs</i>
Ray Omar	-	<i>health needs</i>
Holly Parkin	-	<i>health needs</i>
Deb Phelp's family	-	<i>strength &amp; comfort</i>
Mavis Powell	-	<i>health &amp; comfort</i>
Amy Rupert	-	<i>strength &amp; comfort</i>
Sue Thompson	-	<i>strength &amp; comfort</i>
Bernardo Vieira	-	<i>health needs</i>
Debbie Webb	-	<i>health needs</i>
Danny Webb	-	<i>strength needs</i>

## FPCPC FAMILY -

If you know of any shut-ins or anyone who may need our prayers,  
please call the church office at 941-625-5045.



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