

LET US WORSHIP GOD!

January 18, 2026—10:30 AM

Second Sunday after the Epiphany



A HYBRID WORSHIP EXPERIENCE IN-PERSON AND ONLINE

Today's worship team—Music Director: Jayne McDonough;
Worship Leader: Marjorie Wetherill; Message: Rev. David Wenker, Pulpit
Supply; Worship Production: Norris Clark



WELCOME! WORSHIP YOUR WAY!

So glad you're here today! Enjoy worship with your neighbors and be spiritually energized. Join us in-person in our beautiful, historic Red Brick Church or online:

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MESSAGE PREVIEW:

Rev. Wenker's message is titled, "So What's in a Name?".

I was taught that "Sticks and stones may break my bones but names will never hurt me." The bruises from sticks and stones healed much faster than the names. Why does it hurt to be called a bad name? It hurts because a name identifies us. It can dehumanize us, but it can also inspire us. It matters how we use God's name. God has given us the name of Jesus to call upon in times of trouble. He has told us we can ask anything in his name. We will examine how we can make God's name holy.

MUSIC PREVIEW:

Ruth Rich will be playing her flute with our hymns and playing two beautiful spirituals for the offering.

The story behind "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" involves its author, Edward Perronet, a dissenting preacher who opposed the Church of England and the King, writing it to elevate Jesus as the ultimate King; it's famously known for a missionary tale where Rev. E.P. Scott in India,

surrounded by hostile warriors, played and sang the hymn, causing them to lower their spears in awe, leading him to minister to them. The hymn, written around 1779, became known as the "National Hymn of Christendom" for its universal message of Christ's sovereignty, despite its author's anti-establishment sentiments.

"There's Something About That Name," written by Bill and Gloria Gaither, emerged from their personal experiences with life's major transitions: the death of their grandparents, who called on Jesus in their final days, and the birth of their own children, which brought new anxieties and reliance on His name. The song reflects the comfort, peace, and transformative power found in Jesus' name, whether facing the end of life or the beginning of parenthood, seeing it as a source of strength and renewal.

The hymn "His Name is Wonderful" was written by Audrey Mieir in 1959, inspired by her brother-in-law's exclamation, "His name is wonderful!," after a church Christmas program, echoing Isaiah 9:6's prophecy of the Messiah. Mieir felt moved to write the chorus and later added verses describing Jesus as the Great Shepherd, Rock of Ages, and Almighty God, creating a worship song that became popular year-round, not just at Christmas.

For the Offertory, Ruth will be playing Steal Away. This spiritual illustrates the double meanings at work in many African American slave songs: it is both a call for a direct encounter with Jesus and a summons to slip away from servitude to freedom. Nat Turner reportedly used this song to call together his followers in 1831. And Precious Lord, Take My Hand, this black hospiel song, like much hymnody, sprang out of the author's deep personal loss (the death of his wife and newborn son), yet it has brought solace to many. He thought his fingers were playing new music but they unlocked a deep memory of a tune almost a century old.

"Take the Name of Jesus With You" was written by Lydia Baxter around 1870 while she was bedridden from chronic illness, drawing from her personal experience of finding immense strength, joy, and a "shield" from despair in the name of Jesus, a practice she shared with visitors from her sickbed, leading to this powerful testimony that became popular in revivals.

PRELUDE

JAYNE McDONOUGH

WELCOME:

REV. DAVID WENKER

GOD WELCOMES ALL (UNISON)

God welcomes all,
strangers and friends;
God's love is strong
and it never ends.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP: (RESPONSIVE)

One: I lift up my eyes to the hills – where does my help come from?

Many: My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

OPENING PRAYER: (UNISON)

We gather as your people in this place in this time to worship you. We bring to this time of worship all we are today, our gifts and experience, our joys and gratitude, our hopes and fears. Tune our hearts to hear your voice calling us your beloved children. We pray in Jesus name, AMEN

GATHERING HYMN - #142 (BLUE) "ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS NAME"

**1. All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;**

**Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all!
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all!**

**2. Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all!
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all!**

**3. Let every kindred, every tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all!
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all!**

**4. O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all!
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all!**

CALL TO CONFESSION:

Jesus, the Lamb of God, came to redeem and reconcile, to take away the sin of the world. We are invited to tell the truth about the places in need of healing and wholeness. Let us join in the communal act of repentance:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (UNISON)

We find it hard to bear the needs of others when we feel so needy ourselves. Their needs seem more than we could ever meet and so we distance ourselves from them. Forgive us for not trusting you to take the little we can give with love and make it enough. Help us to hear your voice crying out from the needs of others. We pray in Jesus name. AMEN

Silent Reflection

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE: (RESPONSIVE)

One: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. .

Many: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***THE GLORIA**

**Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning,**

**is now, and ever shall be.
World without end, Amen, Amen.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

Holy God, reveal yourself to us once again as we hear your Word. By the power of your Holy Spirit, inspire us to follow where you lead, and to answer your call. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: EZEKIEL 36: 20-23

And wherever they went among the nations they profaned my holy name, for it was said of them, ‘These are the Lord’s people, and yet they had to leave his land.’ I had concern for my holy name, which the people of Israel profaned among the nations where they had gone. “Therefore say to the Israelites, ‘This is what the Sovereign Lord says: It is not for your sake, people of Israel, that I am going to do these things, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations where you have gone. I will show the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, the name you have profaned among them. Then the nations will know that I am the Lord, declares the Sovereign Lord, when I am proved holy through you before their eyes.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: PHILLIPIANS 2: 5-11

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

MESSAGE: "SO WHAT'S IN A NAME?"

REV. DAVID WENKER

PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION

HYMN OF MEDITATION: #71 (RED), "THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT THAT NAME" AND # 42 (RED) "HIS NAME IS WONDERFUL"

1. Jesus Jesus Jesus

**There's just something about name
Master Savior Jesus**

**Like a fragrance after the rain
Jesus Jesus Jesus
Let all heaven and earth proclaim
Kings and kingdoms will all pass away
But there's something about that name**

**1. His name is Wonderful,
His name is Wonderful,
His name is Wonderful, Jesus my Lord;
He is the mighty King, Master of everything,
His name is Wonderful, Jesus my Lord.
He's the great Shepherd, the Rock of all ages,
Almighty God is He;
Bow down before Him, Love and adore Him,
His name is Wonderful, Jesus my Lord.**

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS:

God doesn't desire our sacrifices or offerings.
God's desire is for us to be partners in the
redeeming and reconciling work of God on earth.
We have been given all we need to fulfill that call,
and so we are invited to offer what God has given
us in this service. Freely we have received, now
freely let us give.

**OFFERTORY - FLUTIST, RUTH RICH -
Two spirituals "*Steal Away*" & "*Precious Lord
Take My Hand*"**

THE DOXOLOGY

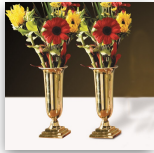
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God all creatures here below;
praise God above the heavenly host, praise
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

COMMUNITY NEWS

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TODAY TO:

Linda & Glenn Kaempf ~ Jan. 18



Announcements:

Sign up for an **after worship luncheon** in the narthex on the table. A few from worship will gather **at the Bella Vida restaurant in West Cape May**, for lunch following worship on **Sunday, January 25**. We will be using a private room in the back of the restaurant for our fellowship.

*****The Congregational Annual Meeting** will be held on **Sunday February 8**, after worship. It will include a covered dish luncheon. Reports for the meeting should be given to the church office by **February 1**.

Pastor Wenker will be starting a **Bible Study** on **Wednesday February 11 at 10:00 -11:30 a.m.** in Price Hall. It will meet weekly **for 7 weeks** before

Easter. We will be studying Psalm 23 using W. Phillip Keller's little study book, "A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23". **Sign up in the Narthex** and indicate if you would like a book purchased for you for \$8.00.

To donate flowers in memory, or in honor, of a loved one, sign up in the narthex and/or contact Beverly Mate, 609-847-1530. (\$20/vase).

RECEIVING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

(If you'd like to add to our prayer list, please complete a green Let's Pray card.)

Pray for: the family and friends of **Irene "Renie" Grier**, on her passing on Dec. 19, services are private; **Bob Hall** received a new pacemaker at a hospital in Phila. this past week; ; **the Adkisson family** in Denver, on the passing of **Dana's Mom**; **Rev. Jack Wright** starting treatment for cancer and will need our prayers; **Kaite Purdy** as she continues her studies in Nashville; **Larry Pacentrelli**, a veteran pilot facing surgery to relieve numbness in his arms; **Rev. Jim Shanley**, recuperating slowly; **Ariana Palmer**, 23 year old awaiting heart transplant;

Continual prayer requested for: **Eileen Stalford** in nursing care; **Pastor Bob Sheidly** friend of Bob Heinly,

as he battles multiple maladies of aging; Anna Sheidly is now receiving hospice care.

Those on hospice care: Marty, John Stalford, Gertrude Hess, Ted Lewis, Anna Sheidly.

Those undergoing cancer treatment: Kiley Fulford; Bob Maher, Karen R., Keith, Todd, Brian, Gerri Mills, Robin B, Mike, Kim, Steve, Rickey, Lorraine, Candy, Donna, Liz, Joe, Jennifer, Lori, Ruth, Debbie, Mike Grecco, Norma Sasso, Roseann Crook, Christa, Jackie, Diane, Charlotte Holman, Joe Paulits, Gretchen, Ray, Carl, Robert, Patricia, Richard Beare and Rev. Jack Wright.

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.**

FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY

Once we were strangers,
Now we are neighbors.

Once we were strangers,
Now we are friends.

SENDING HYMN: #218 (RED) "TAKE THE NAME OF JESUS WITH YOU"

**1. Take the name of Jesus with you,
Child of sorrow and of woe;
It will joy and comfort give you,
Take it then, where'er you go.
Precious name, (Precious name), O how sweet!
Hope of earth and joy of Heaven;
Precious name, (Precious name), O how sweet!
Hope of earth and joy of Heaven.**

**2. Take the name of Jesus ever,
As a shield from every snare;
If temptations 'round you gather,
Breathe that holy name in prayer.
Precious name, (Precious name), O how sweet!
Hope of earth and joy of Heaven;
Precious name, (Precious name), O how sweet!
Hope of earth and joy of Heaven.**

**3. O the precious name of Jesus!
How it thrills our souls with joy,**

When his loving arms receive us,
And his songs our tongues employ.
Precious name, (Precious name), O how sweet!
Hope of earth and joy of Heaven;
Precious name, (Precious name), O how sweet!
Hope of earth and joy of Heaven.

4. At the name of Jesus bowing,
Falling prostrate at his feet,
King of kings in Heaven we'll crown him,
When our journey is complete.
Precious name, (Precious name), O how sweet!
Hope of earth and joy of Heaven;
Precious name, (Precious name), O how sweet!
Hope of earth and joy of Heaven.

BENEDICTION:

REV. DAVID WENKER

POSTLUDE:

JAYNE McDONOUGH

Go in peace. See you next week!

So glad you've joined us. Please Like and Subscribe on our YouTube channel, Facebook, and Instagram. Worship at any time on YouTube. Invite others to join you next week.

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1. *God Welcomes All* - CCLI Song #5495557
2. All Hail the Power of Jesus Name: Edward Perronet, John Rippon/ Oliver Holden ; CCLI Song #25400
3. *Gloria* Public Domaine
4. There's Something About That Name: Gloria & William Gaither ; CCLI Song #14064
5. His Name is Wonderful: Audrey Mieir; CCLI Song #1122230

6. Steal Away: African American Spiritual; CCLI Song #549474
7. Precious Lord, Take My Hand: Thomas Dorsey, George Allen; CCLI #7205306
8. *Doxology* - CCLI Song #4255578
9. Take the Name of Jesus With You: Lydia Baxter / William Doane ; CCLI Song #549474