

***Congregation Invited to Stand if Able**

Prelude (a call to silent meditation) Acts 8:17
“Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.”

THE LIGHT OF JESUS COMING INTO OUR PRESENCE

Processional/Introit “Jesus Is Calling” (Stz 4) #434

GREETINGS, WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We are marked as God's beloved ones.
People: **What have we done to deserve God's love.**
Leader: God's love is God's free gift to us, always and forever.
People: **Even when we are difficult and turn away from God,**
Leader: God's love never vanishes from us.
People: **Thanks be to God who is ever faithful to us.**

***Hymn of Praise** “Give Thanks” #Booklet

*OPENING PRAYER

Sky-shattering God, we confess that we have not always paid much attention to the baptism of Jesus but viewed it as a nice story which begins Jesus' ministry. We don't always see ourselves as standing in that long line of those marked for service; and therefore, it is easy for us to dismiss this as a nice story and nothing more. Yet You have called us by name, knowing each of us, and loving us. We are astonished by this. We know that we have behaved in very unloving ways and in some behaviors which do not promote Your love and peace. Forgive us for our blindness. Turn us around. Help us to be people who not only recognize the light, but who are willing to live in that light, bringing help to others in Your name. For we pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray saying...Our Father, who art in heaven...AMEN.

***LORD'S PRAYER “using debts”**

***“Gloria Patri” #142**

CALL TO PRAYER

Prayer Hymn “I Am Praying For You” (Stz 1, 2, & 4) #676
Silent Prayers, Quiet Music, and Morning Prayer
Response “Let The Words Of My Mouth”

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to partake of the Holy Communion
Communion Hymn “Break Thou The Bread” (Stz 1, 3, & 4) #30
Sharing of the Lord's Supper

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory Meditation Isaiah 43:5-7
Offertory
***“Doxology”** #382
***Prayer of Dedication**

SPECIAL MUSIC

“‘Til The Storm Passes By” Arlen

YOUNG DISCIPLE'S MOMENT

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22
Terry Davis

MESSAGE

“Standing in Line With Jesus”
Eric Holmes

INVITATION

If you desire to accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, to renew your faith, or to place your membership with our church family, please come forward during this hymn.

***Invitation Hymn** “Come, Thou Font” (Stz 1 & 2) #318

***Benediction**

***Recessional Hymn** “Blest Be The Tie That Binds” (Stz 1) #560

CARRYING THE LIGHT OF JESUS INTO THE WORLD

Isaiah 43:1-7

Acts 8:14-17

Psalm 29

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

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PRAYER CONCERNS

New people added this week:

- Individuals, past and present, who serve or served in the armed forces
- Christia Provancha –discharged from the hospital and recovering at home
- Arlen Provancha – recovering at home from January 2nd procedure
- Renea Brown – recovering from dental surgery
- Pat Rumbaugh – hospitalized with stomach issues
- Doug Laird – home from the hospital. Prayers for family
- Noel Baker – recovering from recent foot surgery
- Leota Shoemeyer – prayers for continued healing
- Mary Ferry – hospitalized with liver infection
- Casey Brothers – continued prayer following surgery
- Heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Nancy Birch

We pray continued prayers of hope and healing for:

- Those dealing with cancer
- Doug Laird (son of Kathy Laird) – struggling with vascular dementia
- Collin Elliott-Moore (9-year-old grandson of Leanne Reed's cousin) – diagnosed with leukemia, still working on treatment plans and preparing for bone marrow transplant
- JR Shepherd – waiting for heart transplant

Bulletins, newsletters, and links to the recorded church services are located on the church's website, <http://www.perrychristian.church/>

Last Sunday's Attendance
January 5 -- 0

Last Month's Offering
November 2024 --- \$4,661.75

Last Month's Expenses
November 2024 --- \$4,560.01

Over --- \$101.74

Next Sunday's Suggested Lectionary Is:

Isaiah 62:1-5 Psalm 36:5-10
1 Corinthians 12:1-11 John 2:1-11

If you are not able to come forward for communion, please let an Elder or Deacon know and we will serve you at your seat.

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January 12, 2025

BIRTHDAY

Jan 12	Destiny Davis	Jan 12	Jessica Meranda
Jan 24	Meagan Cripe	Jan 26	Terry Davis
Jan 28	Shirley Levings	Jan 31	Andrew Schumacher
Feb 11	Anthony Elam	Feb 12	Carolyn Schutte

ANNIVERSARY

Jan 13	James and Melanie Utterback (2007)
Jan 24	David and Lois Swon (1969)
Feb 04	Travis and Renea Brown (2002)
Feb 14	Don and Kathy Laird (1962)
Feb 24	Jim and Terri Anderson (1979)

GREETERS

Jan 12	Kim Meyers	Alvin Seelow
Jan 19	Tom Hurley	David Lewellen
Jan 26	Willene Asbury	Laura Cowan

UPCOMING

Sun, Jan 12	--	Sunday School @ 9:45 a.m.
Sun, Jan 12	--	Worship Service @ 10:45 a.m.
Wed, Jan 15	--	Youth Night @ 6:00 p.m.
Sun, Jan 29	--	Sunday School @ 9:45 a.m.
Sun, Jan 29	--	Worship Service @ 10:45

S. S. SUPERINTENDENT – Greg Harrison
MINISTER – Pulpit Supply Minister
PIANISTS – Cheri Provanca or Bonnie Berrey
CHOIR DIRECTOR – Arlen Provanca