

FEBRUARY 08, 2026

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GATHERING SONG

Christ Be Our Light ELW vv 1-2, 5

ELW 715

### Christ, Be Our Light



1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for  
2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for  
3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for  
4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for  
5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,  
hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone  
wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,  
warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,  
hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.  
has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.  
bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.  
shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.  
to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

Text: Bernadette Farrell, b. 1957

Music: CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT, Bernadette Farrell

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## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

## Lord, Have Mercy

1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.  
2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.  
1, 3 Lord, . . . have mer - cy. Lord, . . . . have mer - cy.  
2 Christ, . . . have mer - cy. Christ, . . . . have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.  
Chris - te e - le - i - son.  
Lord, . . . have mer - cy.  
Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

Music: Russian Orthodox traditional

## KYRIE

For jealousies that divide families and nations,  
and for rivalries that create strife and warfare:

For idleness in witnessing to Jesus Christ,  
and for squandering the gifts of love and grace:

## SONG OF PRAISE

### Let Us Enter In



- 1 Let us en-ter in to the song of thanks - giv - ing and free - dom.
- 2 Let us en-ter in to the place where our God has pre - ced - ed.
- 3 Let us en-ter in to the heart of a world that is bro - ken.



Let us en - ter in to the long line of peo - ple in need.  
Let us en - ter in to the face of the fear and the pain.  
Let us en - ter in to the start of a hope we can share.



Let us en-ter in to the strong mind that God is still liv - ing.  
Let us en-ter in to the grace of the love when it's need - ed.  
Let us en-ter in to the part where we call one an - oth - er



Heal - ing, for - giv - ing— Let us en - ter in.  
Death is de - feat - ed! Let us en - ter in.  
sis - ter and broth - er. Let us en - ter in.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of miracles, Sometimes we are slow to believe in your power,  
even when your miracles occur all around us each and every day.  
Open our eyes to see and our hearts to believe. **Amen.**

## CHILDREN'S BIBLE STORY

## FIRST READING Psalm 40:1-5

- <sup>1</sup> I waited patiently for the Lord;  
he inclined to me and heard my cry.
- <sup>2</sup> **He drew me up from the desolate pit,  
out of the miry bog,  
and set my feet upon a rock,  
making my steps secure.**
- <sup>3</sup> He put a new song in my mouth,  
a song of praise to our God.  
Many will see and fear  
and put their trust in the Lord.
- <sup>4</sup> **Happy are those who make  
the Lord their trust,  
who do not turn to the proud,  
to those who go astray after false gods.**
- <sup>5</sup> You have multiplied, O Lord my God,  
your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us;  
none can compare with you.  
Were I to proclaim and tell of them,  
they would be more than can be counted.

## Acclamation

The assembly stands.

## Come, Holy Spirit, Descend

The musical score is written for two voices, Treble and Bass, in a key of one flat (B-flat major or D minor). The melody is in the Treble clef, and the bass line is in the Bass clef. The lyrics are: \*Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, de - scend on us, de - scend on us. We gath - er here in Je - sus' name. (hm)

The score consists of three systems of music. The first system covers the first line of lyrics. The second system covers the second line. The third system covers the third line and includes a final double bar line. There are various musical notations including notes, rests, and slurs. The lyrics are written below the notes.

The Holy Gospel according to John the 4th chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

### **Gospel John 4:46-54**

<sup>46</sup> Then he came again to Cana in Galilee, where he had changed the water into wine. Now there was a royal official whose son lay ill in Capernaum. <sup>47</sup> When he heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went and begged him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. <sup>48</sup> Then Jesus said to him, "Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe." <sup>49</sup> The official said to him, "Sir, come down before my little boy dies." <sup>50</sup> Jesus said to him, "Go; your son will live." The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and started on his way. <sup>51</sup> As he was going down, his slaves met him and told him that his child was alive. <sup>52</sup> So he asked them the hour when he began to recover, and they said to him, "Yesterday at one in the afternoon the fever left him." <sup>53</sup> The father

realized that this was the hour when Jesus had said to him, “Your son will live.” So he himself believed, along with his whole household. <sup>54</sup> Now this was the second sign that Jesus did after coming from Judea to Galilee.

The gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

**HYMN OF THE DAY** Go, My Children with My Blessing ELW 543

### Go, My Children, with My Blessing



1 “Go, my chil - dren, with my bless-ing, nev - er a - lone.  
2 “Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.  
3 “Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour-ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Grow in love and love by serv-ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love’s bap-tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for-ev - er.  
Here you heard my dear Son’s sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.  
Here my Spir - it’s pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com-fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless-ing, you are my own.”  
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.”  
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour-ished, joy - ful and free.”

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Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional  
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## Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ,  
God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come  
to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition the congregation responds: L: Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

### To You All Hearts Are Open

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for 'To you all hearts are o - pen, to'. The second staff continues with 'you all de - sires known. To you there are no'. The third staff begins with a triplet of eighth notes for 'se - crets, al - might - y God;', followed by 'we come to you.' and ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign. The words 'Last time' are written above the final measure of the third staff.

To you all hearts are o - pen, to

you all de - sires known. To you there are no

se - crets, al - might - y God; we come to you.

*Last time*

Repeat *To You All Hearts Are Open*

## PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

## OFFERING/Noisy Offering

Paula's House

### Offertory Song

#### As a Mother Comforts Her Child



As a moth-er com-forts her child, so God will com - fort you.



As a hen gath-ers her brood, so Christ will gath - er you.



As a wise one coun-sels her friend, so the Spir-it will coun-sel you.



The Trin - i - ty of love will be with you.

## OFFERING PRAYER

God of majesty,  
no eye has seen, no ear has heard  
what you have prepared for those who love you,  
yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy.  
Use what we have gathered  
to feed us with the reign of God come near,  
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.



**We lift them to the Lord.**

**Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.**

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **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 trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,**

**forever and ever. Amen.**

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**Invite those communing at home**

**This is Christ's table and Christ welcomes each and every single one of you.**

## Communion Hymn

### This Is Christ's Body

This is Christ's bod - y, bro - ken and blest. Feed us with

mer-cy and love. We are Christ's bod - y,

bro-ken and blest. Heal us and make us one.

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

*All who desire the Lord's Supper are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion. Following the usher's invitation, come forward along the side aisle and remain standing as you gather around the altar railing. When everyone has gathered at the railing, you may kneel or remain standing. Receive the wafer of bread in your hands. You may also request a gluten-free wafer. Then take a small cup from the tray: white grape juice is in the center and red wine is around the edge. Deposit your cup in the basket when you are finished and return to your seat down the center aisle. We invite children and those not receiving the bread and wine to come forward to receive a blessing at the altar railing.*

## SONG AFTER COMMUNION

Sing verse 1 and 4

### The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve



- 1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in Je - sus' name
- 2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the bur - dened free;
- 3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter joy like seed
- 4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel to pro - claim.



to bring glad tid - ings to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.  
where hope is dim, to share a dream and help the blind to see.  
and, all our days, to cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.  
God's Spir - it has em - pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Radiant God,  
we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.  
In the sacrament of his body and blood  
you have drawn us to your heart.  
Send us from this table with delight,  
that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love,  
and bear witness to all we have seen and heard,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## BLESSING

Leader  
C

G C F C

God be with you till we meet a - gain; by good coun - sels guide, up - hold you,

G C C F G C

with a shep - herd's care en - fold you; God be with you till we meet a - gain.

Congregation  
C

F C G

Till we meet, \_\_\_\_\_ till we meet, \_\_\_\_\_ till we meet at Je - sus' \_\_\_\_\_ feet;

C F C G C

Till we meet, \_\_\_\_\_ till we meet, \_\_\_\_\_ God be with you till we meet a - gain.

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

**Thanks be to God.**

The Annual Meeting of the congregation is  
Sunday, February 08, immediately after church

Please bring your packet of reports with you.

Activities will be available for younger kids  
with help from our catechism and High School youth

**Congratulations** to Elizabeth and Adam Uhl on the **birth** of their son, **Walker Alan** Uhl. Walker was born on February 02 in Monroe.

This morning we **welcome Ron** Diener and his wife, Judy. Ron will be **filling in** for our **organist**, Ray.

Everyone is encouraged to **attend the** Annual **Meeting** on February 08, meet our new IKC Director, Emily Walker, approve the 2026 budget, elect our new church Council members, and join in the discussion of any questions that may be raised.

Do you have a high school **graduate** attending **college** or **trade school**? Please contact Kim in the office to let us know your student's address (commuting or away).

You may also direct deposit or scan to donate an offering:



Today is name tag Sunday!  
Fill one out and put it on!

Paula's House, located in Monroe, MI, is a long-term transition home for women (and their children) in recovery. They provide a positive homelike environment for women who are homeless and struggling with substance abuse. They have a strict program in place for rehabilitation rather than being incarcerated.

Their purpose is

- maintaining household supplies and everyday living needs
- providing personal hygiene items for women and children
- supplying necessities for infants and newborns, as needed
- supporting upkeep and maintenance of the facility

Donations for everything from paper products, personal care items, cleaning supplies, food (fruit, veggies, milk, eggs, cereal, coffee, sugar, creamer) new pillows, sheets & more can be dropped on, call 734-242-6650.

The February noisy offering will be sent to Paula's House.

**Serving our congregation this morning:**

Acolytes – Roman Jacks and Landry Jacks  
Altar Guild – Joy Fox, Kim Cramer, Jayden Cramer  
Fellowship Hour – Annual Meeting & Potluck  
Liturgical Minister – Kristi Johnson  
Organist – Ron Diener  
Ushers – Drew Lynn, Head Usher; Amy, Lexie, Eva and Zander Lynn

### **Schedule:**

Sunday: Holy Communion - 9:00 AM  
          Noisy Offering  
          Annual Meeting & Brunch – 10 AM  
Monday: Dartball – Trinity Riga @ PoP- 7:30 PM  
Tuesday: Bible Study – 9:30 AM  
          Alcohol Anonymous - 7:00 PM  
Wednesday: Mid-Week Worship Service – 7:00 PM  
Thursday: Pickleball – 6:00 PM  
Saturday: Council Mini-Retreat  
          IKC Board Meeting

### **Coming Soon**

Feb 15 – Children's Handbells during worship  
Feb 15 – 6-8 Grade Milestone Class during SS  
Feb 15 – Hymn selection Committee Mtg.  
Feb 18 – Ash Wednesday 12 PM; Drive-Up 3 PM; Service 7 PM  
Feb 18 – Soup Lunch 12:30 PM  
Feb 18 – Pancake Supper 6 PM  
Feb 22 – Milestone Blessing  
Feb 25 – Lenten Healing Service

### **Local Events...**

Feb 13– Roast beef dinner @ E Ida Immanuel Lutheran Church, 6272 W Albain Rd. Monroe. Meal includes roast beef, mashed potatoes w/gravy, green beans or corn, applesauce or coleslaw, dinner roll, beverage & dessert. Adults \$12; kids 5-10 \$8; kids 4 & under free. Carry-out available! Proceeds benefit a different Monroe County charity organization each month

Feb 19 – Meatloaf dinner @ Dundee Area Senior Center, 248 W Monroe St Dundee. Meal includes homemade meatloaf w/gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, dinner roll, strawberry cheesecake (regular or sugar free). Cost is \$9. Carry out only, open to the public. RSVP by February 13<sup>th</sup> 734-529-2401

Let's  
**DONATE**

TO DUNDEE CARING AND SHARING  
PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS

FEBRUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> TO FEBRUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>

Shampoo  
Conditioner  
Body Wash  
Feminine Hygiene Products  
Deodorant  
Hand Lotion  
Shaving Products  
Toilet Paper  
etc.

"In season" clothes and small household items  
are always needed.

Items can be dropped off in the baskets near the  
High School Sunday School room.



The poster features a decorative border of colorful handprints. At the top, the text 'IDA KIDS CENTER PRESCHOOL' is written in large, bold, multi-colored letters. Below this, it says 'REGISTRATION BEGINS TUESDAY, MARCH 3<sup>RD</sup> 2026'. The poster is divided into two main sections: a purple one for the '4-YEAR-OLD PROGRAM' and an orange one for the '3-YEAR-OLD PROGRAM'. Each section lists the days and times for morning and afternoon classes. An illustration of two children, a girl and a boy, is shown in the center. At the bottom, there is a logo for 'Ida Kids Center' and contact information for the 2026-2027 school year.

**IDA KIDS CENTER  
PRESCHOOL**

**REGISTRATION BEGINS  
TUESDAY, MARCH 3<sup>RD</sup> 2026**

**4-YEAR-OLD PROGRAM**

- Monday/Wednesday/Friday
- Morning class: 9:00am-11:30am
- Afternoon class: 12:15pm-2:45pm

**3-YEAR-OLD PROGRAM**

- Tuesday/Thursday
- Morning Class: 9:00am-11:30am
- Afternoon Class: 12:15pm-2:45pm \*class offered depending on enrollment\*

**Ida Kids Center**

**2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR**

QUESTIONS? EMAIL US:  
IDAKIDSCENTER@OUTLOOK.COM



## MILESTONES

Faith +  
Family 

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.  
Proverbs 22:6



Parents, Grandparents,  
Godparents and anyone  
wanting to cultivate faith  
come along and attend  
with their young people.

Grades 6-8  
10 Commandments Milestone  
SUN FEB 15 @ 10:15AM

## Ash Wednesday

February 18, 2026

12:00 Noon Worship  
Luncheon Following

.....  
3:00-6:00 Drive Thru  
Ashes and Prayer

.....  
6:00 Pancake Supper  
7:00 Evening Worship



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

## PANCAKE DINNER YOUTH FUNDRAISER

18 FEB  
2026

SCAN ME



TO GIVE



6:00 PM

JOIN US

Youth and their families can sign  
up in the narthex to help with  
the pancake dinner.

Help is needed from 5 PM  
until clean-up is done.