

First Up

Third Sunday After Epiphany

January 25, 2026

CARRYING
THE LIGHT

First
Church

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Welcome

WORSHIP

Centering Words

L: Children of God, when fears press in on every side, we can proclaim with confidence:

P: God is our light and salvation! Whom shall we fear?

L: When our problems overwhelm us and we feel pressed in on every side, we can declare with confidence:

P: God is the stronghold of our lives! Of whom shall we be afraid?

L: No matter the troubles we face, we seek after God and to live in the house of God forever.

P: God shelters and protects us in the day of trouble.

L: Come, let us worship God with joy, for God is our light and salvation!

P: We come to worship as bearers of the Light. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Song

"Let Me Feel You Shine"

Scripture Reading

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? One thing I asked of the LORD; this I seek: to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple. For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock. Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD. Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me. "Come," my heart says, "seek his face!" Your face, LORD, do I seek. Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!

L: The word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us, for the word of God within us:

P: Thanks be to God.

Song

"Always"

Prayer

Lord,
We come to you in a time of coldness and darkness,
Looking for warmth and light.
There are those whose homes are physically freezing,
And there are those whose lives are spiritually chilly

We know that we can help warm people's homes.
We also know you can warm people's lives.
Lord your light calls us forth to follow and serve you.
Your light still shines for all to see in this world.
May we continue to reflect your light in our lives,
in our service, in our words and in our deeds.
Amen.

SERVICE

Message to Young Disciples

Message

Pastor Duane Carlisle

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Kory Pritchett

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. Amen.

Invitation to Generosity and Peace

Song

"Praise To The Lord (Joyful, Joyful)"

ENDING

Benediction

Pastor Duane Carlisle

Let Me Feel You Shine

by David Crowder and Michael Waldrop

Verse 1

This place is trying to break my belief
But my faith is bigger than all I can see
And what I need is redemption
And what I need is for You to put me back on my feet
Oh woah oh oh
Oh woah oh oh

Verse 2

I swear I'm trying to give ev'rything
But I feel I'm falling oh make me believe
That what I need is resurrection
And what I need is for You to put me back on my feet
Oh woah oh oh
Oh woah oh oh

Chorus 1

If I could feel You shine Your perpetual light
Then maybe I could crawl out of this tonight
If I could feel You shine oh let me feel You shine
So beautiful and warm so beautiful and bright
Like the sun coming out of a rainy sky
Oh let me feel You shine oh let me feel You shine
(Oh let me feel You shine)

Verse 3

I lift the knife to the thing I love most
Praying You'll come so I can have both
What I need is You to touch me
And what I need is for You
To be the thing that I need
Oh woah oh oh
Oh woah oh oh

Misc 1

(Bridge)

God I need a Savior
Oh come generous King
O God I need a Savior to come rescue me

Chorus 2

Oh let me feel You shine Your magnificent light
Then maybe I could crawl out of this tonight
If You let me feel You shine
Oh let me me feel You shine
So beautiful and warm so beautiful and bright
Like the sun coming out of a rainy sky
Oh let me feel You shine
Let me feel You shine
Let me feel You shine Let Me Feel You Shine -

Always

by Jason Ingram and Kristian Stanfill

Verse 1

My foes are many
They rise against me
But I will hold my ground
I will not fear the war
I will not fear the storm
My help is on the way
My help is on the way
Chorus 1
Oh my God
He will not delay
My refuge and strength always
I will not fear
His promise is true
My God will come through always
Always

Verse 2

Trouble surrounds me
Chaos abounding
My soul will rest in You
I will not fear the war
I will not fear the storm
My help is on the way
My help is on the way
Misc 1
(BRIDGE)
I lift my eyes up
My help comes from the Lord
I lift my eyes up
My help comes from the Lord
(REPEAT)

Praise To The Lord (Joyful, Joyful)

by Adrian Disch and Shane Barnard

Verse 1

Praise to the Lord the Almighty
The King of creation
O my soul praise Him
For He is your health and salvation
Come all who hear now to His temple draw near
Join me in glad adoration

Verse 2

Praise to the Lord
Above all things so wondrously reigning
Sheltering you under His wings
And so gently sustaining
Have you not seen all that is needful has been
Sent by His gracious ordaining

Verse 3

Praise to the Lord

Who will prosper your work and defend you
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
If with His love He befriends you

Chorus 1

Joyful joyful we adore Thee
God of glory Lord of love
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee
Opening to the sun above

Verse 4

Praise to the Lord
O let all that is in me adore Him
All that hath life and breath
Come now with praises before Him
Let the amen sound from His people again
Gladly forever adore Him

Prayers

Concerns Shared

John Anderson
Kim Meyer

Steve Meyer
All in need of prayer

Those In Memory Care

Jack Gaunt

Pat Staver

Active Military

As we update our list of active military personnel, we invite First Church families to share the names of any immediate family members currently serving. Please contact Ronda at rkroeschen@fumcwl.org and include each military member's name and rank.

Worship Team

Audio/Visual

CG Creation:
Kory Pritchett

Band

Acoustic Guitar:
Kory Pritchett

Bass Guitar:
Becca Pritchett

Drums:
Cade Quinn

Electric Guitar:
Nick Clinkenbeard

Keys:
Ryan Madden

Vocal:
Karen Hull
Amanda Hedden



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GET INVOLVED

FUMC's turn at food pantry

February is one of three months we volunteer to work at the Tippecanoe United Food Pantry, 1314 Tippecanoe St., operated by Church Women United. Contact Lynn Griffin, 765-743-8087. Volunteers needed 3:15 -6:15 PM Tuesday, Feb. 17 and 11:30 AM-2:45 PM Wednesday, Feb. 18.

There's a great video of volunteers in action at the pantry at <https://youtu.be/ZjWnxwM0Eio?si=SsDcExjV1f2DavKG>



Help Wanted!

First Sunday brunch is popular but won't serve itself. We have the cooks. We need volunteers to help set up and cleanup.

- 1 Kitchen Coordinator 8:45 to 11 AM
- 2 Kitchen Assistant, who helps the coordinator 8:45 to 11 AM
- 2 Clean Up Assistants 10:15 - 11 AM and 11-11:45 AM

All hail to our chefs Kathy Vill and Tim and Angie Delworth! Others who volunteered in January are Kristie Bishop, Jeanne and John Norberg, Marla and Bruce Carey.

Contact delworth@purdue.edu or signup at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e49afad2fa13-first#/>



Let's Sing

Our choir would love to have you join it. They sing for us at the 11 AM services on the second and fourth Sundays, as well as Palm and Easter Sundays. Our singers rehearse weekly September through May from 7:15 to 8:15 PM. Then they offer shares and prayers from 8:15-8:30 PM, finishing up no later than 8:30 pm. They take a break from rehearsals the three weeks after Christmas and the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Contact Charis Vander Plaats, director of music and arts: cplaats@fumcwl.org



Chiming in

Don't you just love the bells! Our Aldersgate Bell Choir chimes on the third Sunday of the month and for special times such as Easter. They practice on Wednesday evenings from 6:15 to 7:15 PM during the school calendar.

There are five octaves of handbells, which means we have spots for up to 14 ringers, which is what we currently have. The director is on the lookout for substitute ringers, particularly people with experience with handbells or piano. Contact Kathy Lind, director of the bell choir: Klind1962@outlook.com, or text at 765-714-3506.

Pub theology

Looking for conversation, connection and community? Consider joining us for Pub Theology on the first Thursdays of the month. We generally rendezvous around 7 PM at local spots the group chooses. Contact Pastor Duane Carlisle or Assistant Pastor Kory Pritchett at <https://www.fumcwl.org/contact-us> or 765-743-1285.

