



February 1, 2026
4th Sunday after Epiphany
10:00 a.m.

Gathering those who fear they are not enough,
so we may experience grace, wholeness, and renewal as God's beloved.

We Gather to Praise God

PRELUDE

Amazing Grace

arr. Joseph Martin (b. 1959)

RINGING OF THE BELL & INTROIT

Holy Spirit, Come to Us

W.A. Mozart (1756-1797)

Holy Spirit, Come to Us. Fill us with Your love.

WELCOME

Megan Klose

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Myra Bridgforth

ONE: Why have we gathered?

ALL: **To glorify God, to follow Jesus' teachings, and to be nourished by the Holy Spirit.**

ONE: What does the Lord require of you, as you follow Jesus?

ALL: **To do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God.**

ONE: Together, let us worship the One who requires us to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God.

*** GATHERING HYMN 408**

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

CALL TO CONFESSION

Myra Bridgforth

ONE: Let us confess our sins, for the Holy One hears our prayers and delights in blessing those who strive to walk with God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: **God, we have not always done what is blameless and right, nor spoken truth from the heart with love. We do not always keep your word at the center of our lives. Forgive us by the power of your mercy, that we might stand in the goodness of Christ and walk in the light of his love. Amen.**

Personal Prayer in Silence

** Please rise in body or spirit*

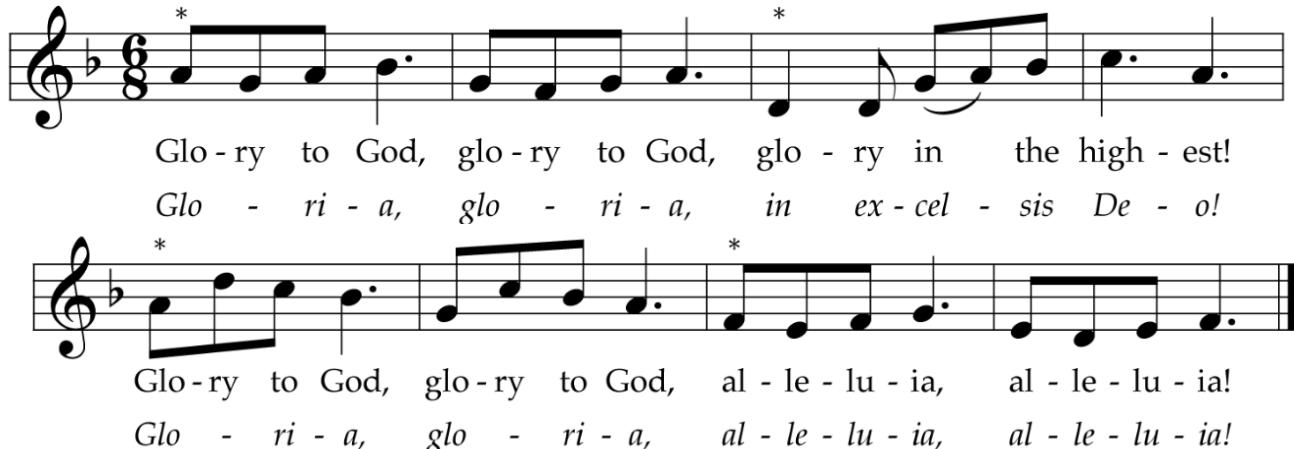
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Yena Hwang

ONE: Siblings, the mercy of the Lord is deeper than the depths of the sea and wider than the whole of the earth. Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, healed and made whole.

ALL: In Jesus Christ, we rejoice, for God's mercy is deep and wide. Thanks be to God for Jesus who brings healing, justice, and peace back into our lives.

* SING GLORY TO GOD 583



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!
Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text

MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1979

Music © 1979, 1981 Les Presses de Taizé (admin. GIA Publications, Inc.)

GLORIA (Taizé)

* PASSING THE PEACE

Yena Hwang

ONE: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

We Listen for God's Word

SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION 451 (v. 2)

Open My Eyes, That I May See

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear.

And while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.

Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.

Open my ears; illumine me, Spirit divine!

TEXT and MUSIC: Clara H. Scott, 1895

OPEN MY EYES
8.8.9.8.8.8.4

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Micah 6:1-8

Myra Bridgforth

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SENSES OF SCRIPTURE

Cali Bronkema

Children ages 4 and up are invited to continue their worship at Godly Play in Room 204.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 5:1-12

Yena Hwang

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.**SERMON***Blessed...*

Yena Hwang

We Respond to God's Word*** SERMON HYMN 306***Blest Be the Tie That Binds**** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (The Nicene Creed)

Megan Klose

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Myra Bridgforth

ONE: Lord in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

The Prayers of the People are offered on behalf of and with the congregation, usually by an elder who is currently serving or has previously served on Session. Prayer requests can be sent to Pastors Yena and Megan at prayers@fallschurchpresby.org.

Please keep in your prayers:

Louise Phillips and family on the death of Tom Koger on Jan. 24

The Colter family on the death of Bette Colter on Jan. 20

Dave Erisman, cousin of Shelly Skomra, recovering from liver donation

Elizabeth Shipley-Moses, in rehab recovering from a fall and back injury

Landon Fox, mother of Katharine Stewart, in rehab

Ongoing prayer concerns:

FCPC members: Doug Ammons, Andrea Brown, Avery Burns, Winnie Harris-Zoellner, Ruth Mileham, Ken Waugh

Relatives and friends: Carolyn Armstrong, mother of Scott Armstrong; Margaret Beatty, mother of Sam Beatty; Vincent DiPerno, nephew of Paige Whitlock; Anne Marie Gowney, mother of Karen and Chris Gowney; Cynthia Hintze, sister of Carol Kercheval; Matt Klaus, colleague of Frank Burdette; Ansley McCraw, niece of Shawn Sledge

MINUTE FOR HYPOTHERMIA SHELTER

Sue Armstrong

OUR LIFE TOGETHER AS THE BODY OF CHRIST

Megan Klose

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Please support the mission and ministry of the church with your financial contributions. Offerings can be placed in the offering plate, mailed to the church office, given online through our secure giving portal (fcpc.breezechms.com/give/online), texted to give at 7037751355, or scanned using the QR code.



OFFERTORY

Be Not Afraid

Taylor Davis (b. 1980)

Be not afraid, for I have redeemed you. Be not afraid, I've called you by name.

My love for you is everlasting, My love for you shall have no end.

[Refrain:] *When you pass through the waters, I will surround you. When you pass through the floods, They will not sweep o'er. When you walk through the fire, You will not be consumed.*

You are my child, you are my child, You are so precious to me. [Repeat v. 1, Refrain]

You are my child, and I'll love you always. Just hold my hand, and I'll lead you home.

When you feel lost, always remember: I am right here, just call out my name. [Refrain]

* DOXOLOGY 609

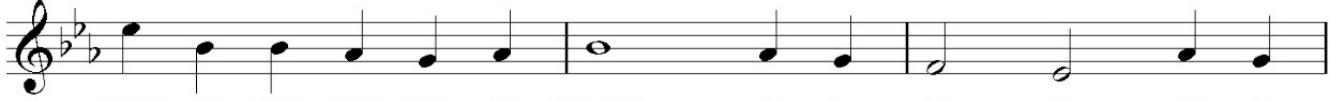
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise God all creatures here be -



low; Al-le - lu - ia, Al-le - lu - ia! Praise God a-bove ye heav'n-ly host: Praise



Fath - er, Son and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - ia



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Yena Hwang, Megan Klose

Invitation to the Lord's Table and Great Thanksgiving

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.

Words of Institution and Distribution of the Elements

Come forward by the center aisle, take bread, dip it into the cup and eat, then return to your pew by a side aisle. Bread is gluten-free, cup is non-alcoholic, and yeast-free wafers are available. A tray with bread and cups will be brought to those who wish to remain seated.

Communion Hymn

Ave Verum

W.A. Mozart

Elliott Mihelic, horn

Prayer after Communion

Yena Hwang

We Are Sent into the World

* **SENDING HYMN 741** (vv. 1, 2, 3)

Guide My Feet

* **CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Yena Hwang

* **CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Amen in B flat

Timothy Shaw (b. 1976)

POSTLUDE

God of Grace and God of Glory

arr. Benjamin Culli (b. 1975)

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* *Please rise in body or spirit*

Supporting Us in Worship

Worship Leader	Myra Bridgforth
Ushers	Chase Moore, Marsha Schuyler, Clay Warner
Communion	Sue Armstrong, Zachia Murray, Gail Warner
Audio/Video	Rick Choi
Sexton	Tom Bruce
Sanctuary Flowers	The flowers today are given to the glory of God by the Hobbie families in honor of Callie Hawkins on her February 1 birthday.

A Warm Welcome

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning. Please sign the red welcome pad which can be found at the end of the pew, then pass the pad along to your neighbor.

There are nametag boards outside of the sanctuary side entrance. Please make a nametag and wear it as a sign of hospitality.

Large-print bulletins are available at the sanctuary entrances. Portable electronic hearing devices are available in the narthex.

A recording of today's service can be found at www.fallschurchpresby.org/sermon.

If you would like to learn more about our family of faith, talk to one of the pastors or email Pastor Yena (yhwang@fallschurchpresby.org) or Pastor Megan (mklose@fallschurchpresby.org). Please visit our website for more information.

Children in Worship

Children are always welcome in our services. **The Kids' Corner** at the front right side of the Sanctuary is where children and their grownups can play, read, or color quietly while in worship. **The Cozy Corner** along the right wall of the sanctuary has sensory toys and headphones. **Children up to age 4:** Child care is offered in Room 201 by paid nursery staff. **Children age 4 and up:** Godly Play is offered in Room 204 following Senses of Scripture.

Fellowship Hour

Please join us in Fellowship Hall following worship to greet your neighbors and enjoy some light refreshments. Hosted by the Community Building Ministry Team.

Announcements

New Members Class, Feb. 1. 11:15 a.m., Parlor or Zoom (weather pending). Pastor Yena will hold a class for those who are interested in learning more about joining our faith community. Another class will be held March 1 for those who cannot attend on Feb. 1. Contact Pastor Yena or the church office if you are interested in attending.

Annual Scout Troop 895 Pancake Breakfast, Feb. 8. Join us in Fellowship Hall following worship next Sunday for pancakes and sausages, prepared and served by Troop 895 Scouts.

Serendipity Class is discussing *Reading the Bible Again for the First Time, Taking the Bible Seriously but Not Literally*, by Marcus J. Borg. The book is available in the church library and online. This Sunday we are discussing Chapter 1, Reading Lenses: Seeing the Bible Again (18 pages). This book should be a useful follow on from our year of reading the Bible. Questions? Contact Beth Thomas.

Matthew 25 Group will begin studying *Creating a Culture of Repair*, by Robert Turner. To accommodate a greater number of people with conflicts on Sunday mornings, meetings will be held every other Monday evening from 7-8:30 p.m. beginning Feb. 9 in the library. (Additional discussions will occur on alternate Sunday mornings.) Please come prepared to discuss the foreword, introduction, and Chapter 1 up to Action 1. Questions? Email Judy Zakreski or Jenny Lansbury.

Year-end Giving Statements. FCPC's Financial Administrator Catherine Payling has emailed 2025 year-end giving statements. Please check your spam/junk folder in case the email has landed there. Contact Catherine with any questions you may have.

Save the Date for these upcoming events:

Feb. 18 – Lent begins. Ash Wednesday simple supper followed by worship service.

Feb. 22 – Annual Meeting of the FCPC Corporation and Congregation

Feb. 28 – Crooked Steeple Literary Festival featuring Terah Shelton Harris, who will read from her book, *Where the Wildflowers Grow*

March 8-15 – Fairfax County Hypothermia Shelter at FCPC. Sign up to help through the link in the Friday egram.

Calendar

Sunday, February 1 – 4th Sunday after Epiphany

Hunger Offering Received

Serendipity Class, 9:00 a.m., Conference Room

Worship Service, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary and online

New Members Class, 11:15 a.m., Parlor or Zoom (weather pending)

Monday, February 2 – Homes for All VOICE Action, Richmond, VA

Prayer & Pose Yoga, 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall Loft

Finance Team, 6:15 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday, February 3 – Tuesday Morning Prayer Group, 8:30 a.m., Zoom

Building & Grounds Team, 6:30 p.m., Conference Room

Deacons, 7:00 p.m., Library and Zoom

Wednesday, February 4

First Wednesday Welcome Table, 11:00 a.m.-7:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall & Kitchen

Called Session Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Zoom

Wednesday Evening Project 66/52 Group, 7:00 p.m., Zoom

66/52 Bible Book Club, 8:00 p.m., Zoom

Thursday, February 5 – Spiritual Growth Ministry Team, 7:00 p.m., Third Floor

Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m., Choir Room

Friday, February 6 – No scheduled events

Saturday, February 7 – Bible Study & Fellowship Group, 8:00 a.m., Parlor

Silent Witness for Racial Justice, noon, Broad Street in front of FCPC

Sunday, February 8 – 5th Sunday after Epiphany

Serendipity Class, 9:00 a.m., Conference Room

Worship Service, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary and online

Bagels & Bibles (grades 7 and up), following Senses of Scripture, Third Floor

Scout Troop 895 Pancake Breakfast, 11:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Falls Church Presbyterian belongs to the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, “working for the unity of the church, furthering the inclusion of LGBTQ persons, seeking understanding and reconciliation, and joining with others seeking a still more just and inclusive church.” Falls Church Presbyterian is also a Matthew 25 church seeking to build congregational vitality, dismantle structural racism, and eradicate systemic poverty.

The Rev. Yena Hwang, Pastor | The Rev. Megan Klose, Associate Pastor

Cali Bronkema, Director of Children & Youth Ministry

Dr. Don Armstrong, Director of Music | Dr. Lisa Bloy, Organist

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