



Consider the following options to center yourself for worship:

**BREATHING PRAYER:** (Matthew 5:16)

*In For A Count Of 4: **Let Your Light Shine ...**  
Out For A Count Of 4: ... **Give Glory to God.***

**REFLECT ON QUOTE**

*"The more interested you are in what God says, the less concerned you become about what man thinks." ~ Andrena Sawyer*

**READ SCRIPTURES**

Isaiah 58:1-12 & I Corinthians 2:1-16

ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 8, 2026

**Fifth Sunday After The Epiphany**

PRELUDE

*All People That on Earth Do Dwell*  
Jerry Bursch, Organ

Arr. Michael Burkhardt

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WELCOME / OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAITH AND SERVICE

Pastor Matt

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Margie Schriener

We gather today, united as members of God's sacred family.

\*Please rise in body and spirit.

**We are each different and unique, yet we are all beloved children of the Creator.**

May we grow to have the mind of Christ, with one purpose and one calling.

**Guide us, Jesus, in learning to love and serve one another in all that we do.**

We are members of one body, each blessed with gifts for God's service.

**Teach us, Holy Spirit, to understand and use the gifts You have given us, for Your glory.**

\*HYMN

*O Church of God, United*

UMH 547

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Song # 1511975

1 O church of God, united  
to serve one common Lord,  
proclaim to all one message,  
with hearts in glad accord.  
Christ ever goes before us;  
we follow day by day  
with strong and eager footsteps  
along the upward way.

2 From every land and nation  
the ordered ranks appear;  
to serve one valiant leader  
they come from far and near.  
They chant their one confession,  
they praise one living Lord,  
and place their sure dependence  
upon his saving word.

3 Though creeds and tongues may differ,  
they speak, O Christ, of thee;  
and in thy loving spirit  
we shall one people be.  
Lord, may our faithful service  
and singleness of aim

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proclaim to all the power  
of thy redeeming name.

4 May thy great prayer be answered  
that we may all be one,  
close bound, by love united  
in thee, God's blessed Son:  
to bring a single witness,  
to make the pathway bright,  
that souls which grope in darkness  
may find the one true light.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Margie Schriener

**God of steadfast love, you call us to be salt of the earth and light for the world. Guard us from hollow ritual and lead us into the fast you choose—doing justice, showing mercy, and walking humbly with you. Help us scatter kindness like salt upon the earth and rise like the sunrise with the light of Christ, displacing the shadows so that others may see your glory shining around them. Amen.**

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SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.**

\*HYMN:

*Blest Be the Tie that Binds*

UMH 557

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Song # 25369

\*Please rise in body and spirit.

1. Blest be the tie that binds  
our hearts in Christian love;  
the fellowship of kindred minds  
is like to that above.

2. Before our Father's throne  
we pour our ardent prayers;  
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,  
our comforts and our cares.

3. We share each other's woes,  
our mutual burdens bear;  
and often for each other flows  
the sympathizing tear.

4. When we asunder part,  
it gives us inward pain;  
but we shall still be joined in heart,  
and hope to meet again.

SCRIPTURE READINGS Isaiah 58:1-12 & I Corinthians 2:1-16 Margie Schriener

Isaiah 58:1-12 (NRSVue)

Shout out; do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,  
to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me  
and delight to know my ways,

as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness  
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;

they ask of me righteous judgments;  
they want God on their side.

“Why do we fast, but you do not see?

Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”

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Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day  
and oppress all your workers.  
You fast only to quarrel and to fight  
and to strike with a wicked fist.  
Such fasting as you do today  
will not make your voice heard on high.  
Is such the fast that I choose,  
a day to humble oneself?  
Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush  
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?  
Will you call this a fast,  
a day acceptable to the Lord?  
Is not this the fast that I choose:  
to loose the bonds of injustice,  
to undo the straps of the yoke,  
to let the oppressed go free,  
and to break every yoke?  
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry  
and bring the homeless poor into your house;  
when you see the naked, to cover them  
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?  
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,  
and your healing shall spring up quickly;  
your vindicator shall go before you;  
the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.  
Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;  
you shall cry for help, and he will say, "Here I am."  
If you remove the yoke from among you,  
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,  
if you offer your food to the hungry  
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness  
and your gloom be like the noonday.  
The Lord will guide you continually  
and satisfy your needs in parched places  
and make your bones strong,

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and you shall be like a watered garden,  
like a spring of water  
whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;  
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;  
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,  
the restorer of streets to live in.

### I Corinthians 2:1-16 (NRSVue)

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are being destroyed. But we speak God's wisdom, a hidden mystery, which God decreed before the ages for our glory and which none of the rulers of this age understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,  
nor the human heart conceived,  
what God has prepared for those who love him”—

God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

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Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God’s Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else’s scrutiny.

“For who has known the mind of the Lord  
so as to instruct him?”

But we have the mind of Christ.

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE

Pastor Matt

CHORAL RESPONSE

*Make Us One (2x)*

TFWS 2224

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Song # 695737

Make us one Lord, make us one;  
Holy Spirit, make us one.  
Let your love flow  
so the world will know  
we are one in you.

RESPONDING IN FAITH

We live out our membership vows by offering our prayers, our presence, our service, our gifts, and our witness. In this way, we glorify God with our whole lives.

OFFERTORY

O Master Let Me Walk With You / arr. Michael Hassell  
All The Way My Saviour Leads Me (Medley)  
Steve Reints, Trumpet Jerry Bursch, Clavinova

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\*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow (UM Hymnal 94)*

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CCLI Song # 3063266

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus

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Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia!

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Margie Schriener

**O God, we confess that we do not always understand ourselves or the world around us. We long for a life of meaning but are easily drawn toward things that leave us empty. Receive these gifts as signs of our deep hope. By your mysterious love, transform them—and us—for your good purposes. Amen.**

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\*HYMN

*We Are God's People*

TFWS 2220

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CCLI Song # 13058

We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord,  
Born of His Spirit, established by the Word;  
Our cornerstone is Christ alone,  
And strong in Christ we stand:  
O let us live transparently  
And walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ our Lord,  
For we have known it, the love of God outpoured;  
Now let us learn how to return  
The gift of love once given:  
O let us share each joy and care,  
And live with a zeal that pleases Heaven.

We are the Body of which the Lord is Head,  
Called to obey Christ, now risen from the dead;  
God wills us be a family,  
Diverse yet truly one:  
O let us give our gifts to God,  
And so shall his work on earth be done.

We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place,  
Formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace;  
We die alone, for on its own

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Each ember loses fire:  
Yet joined in one the flame burns on  
To give warmth and light, and to inspire.

\*BENEDICTION

Pastor Matt

\*HYMN OF PARTING

*Shalom to You*

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Song #1913569

Shalom to you now, shalom my friends.  
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.  
In all your living and through all your loving  
Christ be your shalom. Christ be your shalom.

POSTLUDE

*Processional in E Flat Major* arr. David N. Johnson  
Steve Reints, Trumpet Jerry Bursch, Organ

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***Serving in Worship Today***

Greeter: Susan Skogerson  
Ushers: Linda Whitney & Mitzi Kerwien  
Liturgist: Margie Schriener  
Music Director: Jerry Bursch  
Pastor: Rev. Matthew M. McPhee

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Video of today's worship can be found at [www.indioumc.org/media](http://www.indioumc.org/media)  
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**CALENDAR:**

- February 8** – You are invited to Coffee Fellowship after worship in the Fellowship Hall.
- February 8– Youth Group** (grades 6-12) - **5:00 PM** in the youth room. Dinner provided. Contact Margie (youth director) or Melissa for more information.
- February 9—13** – **New Day Devotions 8:00 AM** via Zoom. (Link available in weekly e-news or by contacting the office)
- February 10** —**Bell Choir Practice 3:00 PM** in the Sanctuary.
- February 11– Men's Breakfast 8:00 AM** at Sloan's Restaurant in Indio.
- February 11** —**Tai Chi 10:00 AM** in the Fellowship Hall.
- February 14** — **UWF—9:00 AM** in the Fellowship Hall.
- February 15**—**Chancel Choir Practice 8:20 AM** in the Sanctuary.
- February 15**—**Adult Bible Studies 9:00 AM** in the Adult Classroom.
- February 15** – **Worship 10:00 AM** in the Sanctuary, followed by Coffee Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall.

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