"January is the perfect time to reset, recharge, and renew your focus on what truly matters."



*Sunday, January 12, 2025* Music Prelude

Bell Tolling - Welcome to Worship (\* = all who are able, please stand)

Prelude

\*Call to Worship Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. Come, see and be radiant. Come, sing and rejoice

\*Hymn of Gathering "Shine Jesus Shine" Prayer cards are collected during the Hymn.

\*Gathering Prayer (unison)

God of sunrise and the evening star, you have revealed to us your love in Jesus Christ: a love so long expected, yet so surprising in its unfolding. Gather us from near and far. Awaken us to your unexpected revelation, the justice of your slowdawning kin-dom, the mystery of your boundless invitation. Shine through us, that all people would be drawn to your light in us; through Jesus Christ, in whom we have access to you in boldness and confidence through faith to pray. Amen.

\*Sharing the Peace The peace of Christ be with you! And also with you!

Scripture Reading	Wisdom of Solomon 10: 15-21
	John 1: 1-9

Children's Moment ~ Noisy Offering

Hymn of Reflection	"Great is Your Faithfulness"	Black Hymnal, #423
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Sermon "Another Road" Rev. Tracey Harris

\*Hymn of Response "Amazing Grace"

Black Hymnal, #547, Vs 1,2,3,5

Offertory

As the magi brought gifts to pay homage to the one born King, so let us bring our gifts to proclaim the praise of our God.

Offering Song "God of the Sparrow" Black Hymnal, #32, Vs 1,3,5,8 \*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below,

Praise God above, you heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Amen. Amen. \* Prayer of Dedication (unison)

God of light and guidance, just as the wise men brought their gifts to honor the Christ child, we now present our offerings to you. May these gifts, like theirs, reflect our devotion and desire to seek your presence in all that we do. We pray that these offerings provide hope, healing, and peace to a world in need of your light. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table The Great Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer The Words of Institution and Blessing of the Elements

Call to the Table

Passing of the Elements

Sharing of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Song "Come to the Table of Grace" Vs. 1,3,4

Community Prayer

Faith in Action

\*Song of Sending "Jesus Messiah"

\*Commission and Blessing

Reflect the warm brilliance of God's love, even as you seek the dawn in unexpected places.

Amen.

\*Benediction

Music Postlude

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Tuesday evening at 7 pm and Wednesday morning at 9 am. Bible Study is held in the Conference room. Please bring your bibles. Sunday mornings after Worship Sunday School is held in the Hospitality Room



ALL Annual Meeting reports from each committee are due by Tuesday, January 14. Please send them to the church office. Thank you.





## CONGREGATION ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY, JANUARY 26 AFTER WORSHIP



Youth and adults will be making Valentines after church on February 2, 2025 to deliver to members living at McClay Senior Center, where Orrin & Carolyn Johnson reside on February 9, 2025.

Easter Lilies can be commemorated in a variety of ways. The cost will be \$17.00 each; there are 5+ blooms in each 6" plant decorated with foil. Upon placing your order, please make your checks payable to Friedens U.C.C. for the proper amount and put "Lilies" in the memo section. Fill out the order information form and email it to the Church Office or place the form in the offering plate or turn the form into the Church Office. Order forms are also located in the Narthex.

## Deadline to order lilies is Sunday February 9.