Order of Worship

December 28, 2025 First Sunday After Christmas

Announcements

Hearing the news of the church

Gathering Call

Preparing our hearts and minds for worship

Song of Worship, Hymn #446, Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine* Responding to God in Praise

Scripture Reading, Philippians 1: 1-9 *Hearing the word of God*

Song of Worship, Hymn #433, I Surrender All* Responding to God in praise

Offering

Giving to God as an act of trust and worship

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below, Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen. Doxology*

Congregational Prayer

Praying together in the Presence of the Holy Spirit

Our Father who is in heaven
Hallowed be your name
Your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom and power and glory forever. Amen.

Sermon, "What We See in You (And Where to Pour Some Gas!)" Drawing closer to God through His word

Respond and Reflect

Making room for God to speak to our hearts

Song of Worship, Hymn #447, It Is Well With My Soul* Responding to God in praise

Benediction*

Receiving a blessing as we leave to be a blessing to the world

Scott Lambert, Interim Pastor Laurie Wadsworth, Prayer Leader Mark Hardy, Lay Reader Nick Kleinschmidt, Organist

Pravers

Prayers we have received

- Jeff Balch and his family
- The family of Cora Hayes Moses Norma, who has painful sciatica
- Rosie, who has Covid
- Judy and Skip Stanger, who have had Covid. Praises that they are doing better.
- Preston Parsons, who crashed on a bobsled run and is in rehab for his shoulder
- Heidi Hoskin, who has lost sight in one eye
- Healing for Krista Robbins
- Susan Hardy
- Laurie's brother
- Marjorie's friend Ellen
- John and Becky's nephew Mickey

- All those with longterm illnesses
 All those who struggle during the holidays
 The committees and individuals working to further our church and its mission
- Our youth group, Sunday school, and their leaders

Announcements and Coming Events

For more information, check out our events calendar at www.etnahanovercenterchurch.org/events

Farewell to Pastor Scott and Kim! Pastor Scott's Last Sunday in Etna is, sadly, today. We have so much appreciated the four months that Scott and Kim have shared with us this year. Between them both, we were blessed with so much more than just weekly sermons, and we are deeply grateful. Needless to say, they are welcome back any time -- and we expect to see them at least occasionally as they have family in the area! Go with God, Scott and Kim!

Wednesday Bible Study is taking two weeks off. We'll resume on Wednesday, Jan. 7, at 10 a.m. in Trumbull Hall. And Sunday Bible Study is tentatively scheduled to resume Sunday, January 11.

Missions Committee Updates: During the service on January 4th, the Missions Committee will offer a short presentation (with brief commentary) from Showers of Grace, our supported ministry in China. It graphically illustrates a portion of the circumstances under which they and Chinese believers are compelled to operate. The report also details how our 2025 support funds were employed. You are most welcome to attend.

Also, the Committee wishes to thank everyone for your faithful and gracious support in 2025. Your contributions have made it possible for the Gospel being shared and concrete acts of love being accomplished for people in New Hampshire and around the world. We have the privilege of serving as a transmission belt from Etna to our 10 ministries, all of whom join us in gratitude and appreciation.