

John Knox Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

January 18, 2026

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

**Those who are able, please stand*

PRELUDE

Fairest Lord Jesus

arr. by Richard Willis

*INTROIT: HYMN 694

Great God of Every Blessing, v. 1

AURELIA

***Great God of every blessing, of faithful, loving care,
you are the fount of goodness, the daily bread we share.
How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start:
sincerely and completely I offer you my heart.***

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 36:7-9

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.
They feast on the abundance of your house,
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.
For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light we see light.

*HYMN 744

Arise, Your Light is Come!

FESTAL SONG

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Relying on God's grace,
Let us confess together our sin.

**Mighty God, you are Lord of all,
yet we confess that we have not served you
with the fullness of commitment you deserve.
You call, O Lord, but we fail to listen.
You ask us to follow, but we go our own way.
You offer us new life,
but we tread old, familiar paths that are empty and barren.**

**In your mercy, loving God, forgive our sin.
Replace our waywardness with faithful trust.
Renew our spirits by your Spirit.
Free our hearts from the grip of sin.
Lead us to follow and serve Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.**

Silent Confession

*LORD, HAVE MERCY

*Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 103:8, 10, 13

The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**God does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.**

As a father has compassion for his children,
so the Lord has compassion for those who fear God.

**We can trust the promise of God's love:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

*RESPONDING IN PRAISE

Hymn 582, v.1

Sing twice

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

LIFE AND WORK AT JOHN KNOX

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

Bill Mathews

At this time, K3s, K4s and K5s are invited to join Children's Church on the Nursery Hall for a time of learning and fun. Parents, please pick up your children there after the worship service.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 52:7-12
Pew Bible p. 596

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Romans 10:11-17
Pew Bible p. 921

The grass withers, the flower fades,
The Word of our God will stand forever.

SERMON

"Centrifugal Faith"

Carter Rief

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from Matthew 28:18-20

We worship the one who proclaims:
**All authority in heaven and on earth
has been given unto me.**

We follow the one who commands:

**Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit
and teaching them to obey
everything that I have commanded you.**

We take heart from the one who promises:

**Remember, I am with you always,
even to the end of the age.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory Anthem *Be Thou My Vision* arr. Richard Shephard

*Doxology

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

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

SERVICE OF ORDINATION⁺ AND INSTALLATION

Jacob deMaine ⁺	Bill Mathews	Jill Thompson ⁺
Bill Fuller	Amy Osborne ⁺	Rob Wright ⁺
Jamie Luccia ⁺	Ken Rowe	Kemper Kenan (Trustee)

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*HYMN 463

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: HYMN 697**

HENDON

Take My Life, v. 1

***Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise; let them flow in ceaseless praise.***

POSTLUDE

Be Exalted, O God

Brent Chambers

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Dennis Harke by his family.

Worship Team

Mark Britt	Luke Browder	Justin Cazel	Jacob deMaine
Susan Felton	Ewen Holmes	Parker Johnson	Kristine Lee
Bobby Mock	Carol Phillips	Scott Reichen	Carter Rief
Caroline Robertson	Ava Watson	Rob Wright	

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