

### **Prayer Concerns**

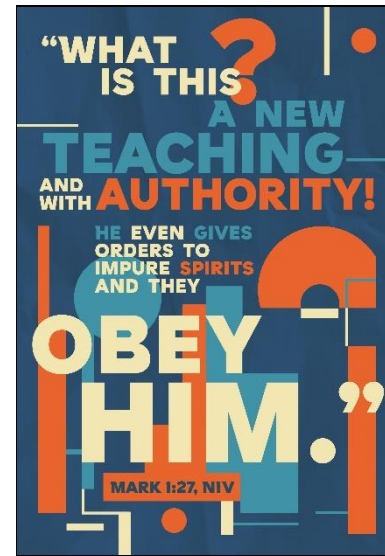
First Responders	Carole B.'s niece's family
Those affected by gun violence	Nancy D.
Those suffering from mental Illness, addiction & homelessness	Lois D.
Bunny, L.'s cousin	Anita B.
Curtis, lifted by Reba Y.	Ray S.
Doug, friend of Joel & Deb C.	Judy, lifted by Brenda F.
Bill & Marilyn R.	Marianne, lifted by Janis J.
Tammy M.'s Dad's recovery	Jane P.
Vicki and her family, daughter of Rae and Walt S.	Keith A.
Harry W., son of Harry W.	Judy L.
Dan G., lifted by Barb & Ron C.	Selene, lifted by Carole A.
Matt & Debby, lifted by Janis J.	David and Steve, lifted by Mary Ellen M.
Joan H.	Terry, Kathy, and Deb, lifted by Paul & Claudia T.
Jeff S., nephew of Jan & Bill C.	Barbara B.
Cindy, Reba Y.'s sister-in-law	David N., JoAnne's husband
Jewel Y., lifted by John & Michelle W.	Joy and Rocky, lifted by Paul & Claudia T.
Betty, Paul T.'s aunt	Ron W.
John, Paul T.'s 2 <sup>nd</sup> cousin	Wayne K., lifted by Liz L.
Pat, CJ C.'s mother	

### **This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries**

1/28 Janis Jarvis	1/31 Emily Cooper
1/29 Casey Hollis	1/31 Darlene Owings
1/30 Gwen & Dave Hinckley	2/3 Ron Stroup

### **Today's Worship Leaders**

Preacher: Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm  
Organist: Javier Gonzalez  
Choir Director: Gabriela Martinez  
Liturgist: Alice Walsh  
Greeters: Jim and Ellie Yager, Greg Lavelle  
Ushers: Barb and Ron Clough  
Audio Video Elements: John and Michelle Wolter, Phil Wolter



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### **4th Sunday after the Epiphany**

January 28, 2024 10:30 am

#### **Welcome and Passing of the Peace**

L: The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

#### **Celebration of Ministries and Missions**

**Prelude** Schönster Herr Jesu ( Fairest Lord Jesus)

Hermann Schroeder

#### **\*Call to Worship**

Alice Walsh

L: Come, let us praise the Lord!

**P: We praise God with our whole heart!**

L: God's works are great!

**P: Open our hearts and spirits to see your works, O Lord!**

L: Come, let us worship the Lord who has saved us!

**P: May our lives reflect the wondrous love of God that all may see  
and know of God's greatness.**

**\*Unison Prayer**

Open our hearts and spirits this day to hear the good news of your power and presence with all your people. Fill our hearts with rejoicing as the words are proclaimed in song and story. Enliven us and remind us that you are with us, through the words of the prophets, through the ministry and love of Jesus Christ. Amen.

**\*Old Testament Readings**      Psalm 111

**\*Hymn**                      *O Worship the King*                      UMH 73

**Prayers of the People**

**Prayer Concerns**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Unison Prayer of Confession**

Holy God, hear our prayer. You send prophets and saviors to help us, to save us, to raise us, and our response is to question You. You heal someone's beloved, and we ask, "Why not this one too?" You shower food upon some who hunger, and we complain that our stomachs are growling. Forgive us. Forgive us not for our doubts, but for our limited perspective. Open wide before us the magnitude of your grace, the expanse of your love, and the wonder of your healing power. Through Christ, we pray. Amen.

**Words of Assurance**

Sisters and brothers in Christ, hear the Good News: At some time, each one of us has been lost in many different ways. But now we are indeed found, and not simply found, but rejoiced over, and cherished, and beloved. Your sins are forgiven; you have come home. Alleluia! Amen.

**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 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, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

**Choir Anthem**

**The Offering**

**Offertory**    *Dance*    Thomas Thorley

**\*Doxology**    UMH 94

**\*Prayer for the Offering**

**Gospel Reading**    Mark 1:21-28

**Hymn**                      *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*                      UMH 173

**Sermon**                      "In Respect for Authority"      Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm

**\*Hymn**                      *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*                      UMH 430

**\*Responsive Benediction**

L: Jesus comes to us, offering healing and hope, speaking and acting with authority. Listen to him.

**P: Go into this world, confident in God's love and healing power.**

L: Go in peace and may God's love and peace always be with you.

**P: Amen.**

**Postlude**    *Fanfare*    Jacques Lemmens

*(You are invited to be seated for the Postlude before exiting the Sanctuary.)*

*\*Please stand if you are able.*