

## Prayer Concerns

Those suffering from mental illness, addiction & homelessness  
Those affected by gun violence  
Condolences to the family of Joan Holden, on her passing  
Condolences to the family of Joan Thomas, on her passing  
Karen & Tom H., sister and brother-in law of Jeff R.  
Alice T., Paul T.'s mother  
Chris & Ava K., lifted by Jean S.  
Nadine B., lifted by Alice W.  
Todd and Caroline W., lifted by Barb A.  
Dave S., brother-in-law of Jan C.  
Michael M., nephew of Jan C.  
Becky & Dee, lifted by Claudia T.  
Joy and Rocky, lifted by Paul & Claudia T.  
Jim S.  
Matt & Debby, lifted by Janis J.  
Carolyn B.  
Jennifer G.  
Mario R., Meals piano player  
Pat, CJ C.'s mother  
Cindy, Reba Y.'s sister-in-law  
Nate R.  
Bunny, cousin of Liz L.  
Vicki and her family, daughter of Rae and Walt S.  
Phil T., lifted by Carolyn B.

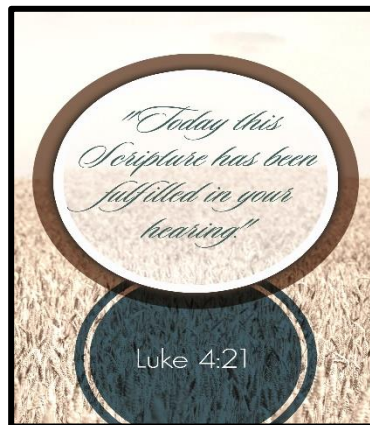
Bev C., Deb C.'s mother  
Lois D.  
John, lifted by Mary B.  
Keith A.  
Judy L.  
Carl, friend of Joel & Deb C.  
Sarah J.'s brother, Billy  
Selene, lifted by Carole A.  
Carol N.  
Martha, lifted by Janis J.  
Ray S.  
Janis J.'s brother, Kirk  
Donna R., sister of Bob & Carol N.  
Jan C.  
Judi W.  
Kelly P.  
Daniel C., lifted by Joel & Deb C.  
Ken G., lifted by Barb B.  
Will S.  
Sally C.  
Susan L.  
Randall S.  
Barbara B.  
Bill & Marilyn R.  
Doris, friend of Sally C.  
Tammy M.'s friend, Kate's, father  
Curtis, lifted by Reba Y.  
Friend of Carolyn B.

## This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries

1/26 John and Judy Solt  
1/28 Janis Jarvis  
1/30 Dave and Gwen Hinckley  
1/31 Darlene Owings  
1/31 Emily Cooper

## Today's Worship Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Hoyte L. Wilhelm  
Organist: Javier Gonzalez  
Greeters: Jim and Ellie Yager, Greg Lavelle  
Usher: Liz Lavelle  
Audio Video Elements: John and Michelle Wolter, Phil Wolter  
Liturgist: Alice Walsh  
Choir Director: Gabriela Martinez



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## Third Sunday After the Epiphany

January 26, 2025 10:30 am

### Welcome and Passing of the Peace

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

**P: And also with you.**

### Celebration of Ministries and Missions

**Prelude**

*Falling Dew*

Ernest A. Dicks

### \*Call to Worship

Alice Walsh

L: Children of God, we gather to worship, to sing and proclaim with joy the good works God is doing in our midst.

**P: We gather to worship, as is our custom.**

L: We also gather today to pray for our families, our community, and our world. To name the challenges that press in around us, to lament the suffering in our world, to declare our trust in God in the midst of hardship.

**P: We gather to worship, as is our custom.**

L: We, like those in Nazareth, gather to hear and receive the Word of God proclaimed among us. To encounter the life-giving message of God's love redeems us to be bearers of love and freedom in this world.

**P: We gather to worship, as is our custom.**

L: Children of God, listen. Pay attention. Ready your hearts. God is here. Jesus has come among us. The Spirit brings the Word to life in our midst. Are you ready?

**All: We gather to worship, as is our custom. Thanks be to God!**

**\*Unison Prayer**

**We thank you, O God, for calling us into your church to be your people. We have gathered, God of grace and wisdom, because we have heard your call. You have reached out to us in Jesus Christ; you have touched us with your Spirit, and we have turned toward you, seeking to love as we have been loved. We call upon your holy name: empower us to worship and serve you, walking gently on this earth, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**\*Old Testament Reading**      Psalm 19

**\*Hymn**      *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*      UMH 64

**Prayers of the People**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Unison Prayer of Confession**

**God, we do not understand Jesus, the prophet. We do not want to get our hands dirty with the poor, the oppressed, the prisoners. Forgive us for being insulated and isolated. Open our hearts to the poor and help us to love them as you love them, working to bring in the good news of the reign of God. Amen.**

**Responsive Words of Assurance**

L: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**P: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**

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

**Anthem**      *They'll Know We Are Christians*      arr. Lloyd Larson

**\*Prayer for the Offering**

**\*Doxology**      UMH 94

**Special Music**      *Rivers of Babylon*      The Melodians

**Gospel Reading**      Luke 4:14-21

**Hymn**      *Open My Eyes, That I May See*      UMH 454

**Sermon**      "The Fulfillment of the Proclamation"      Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm

**\*Hymn**      *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing (vv. 1-3, 5, 7)*      UMH 57

**Responsive Benediction**

L: May the Holy Spirit bless you with inspiration to recognize and pay attention to all the ways the Word of God springs to life around you—

**P: in the familiar rhythms and customs of your day, so that you may find and bring God's love, peace, and hope wherever you go.**

**All: Amen.**

**Postlude**      *Postlude à la gigue*      David Lasky  
*(You are invited to be seated for the Postlude before exiting the Sanctuary.)*

*\*Please stand if you are able.*



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