

**The Presbyterian Church**  
**Order of Worship**  
**5th Sunday after Epiphany, February 8, 2026 - 10:00 a.m.**

PRELUDE

*A Round of Praise*  
Knox Bell Choir

by Michael Helman

CALL TO WORSHIP

O God, you called us by name to come, and we respond with delight and gladness

**In joyful obedience, we come to worship our God.**

Amidst our fears and concerns, we gratefully gather for worship.

**In joyful hope, we come to worship our loving God.**

Our God has given us a new song of praise to sing to our Awesome God!

**In joyful trust, we come to worship our God. Amen.**

\*OPENING HYMN 35

*Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of mercy, God of love, in humbleness of heart we confess our sins.**

**We forget to love and serve you, and wander from your ways. We are  
careless of your world and put its life in danger. We talk of our concern  
for others, but all too often fall back into our own selfish ways. Merciful  
God, forgive us our sins and bring us in your mercy into your presence  
and renew us with your grace through Christ our Lord, Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

*We Are Forgiven*

HYMN 447

**We are forgiven. We are forgiven.**

**Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.**

**We are forgiven. We are forgiven.**

**Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.**

\*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**and also with you.**

I invite you to turn and greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

## WORDS OF WELCOME

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Souper Sunday

Rachel Biondo & Isabella Pellegrino

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Charlotte Jane Neely*

Elder Matt Goad

Daughter of Jacqueline and Harrison Neely

Sponsors: Kevin and Michele Roberts

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Adapted from a "Brief Statement of Faith"

**In life and in death we belong to God.**

**Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we are claimed in the waters of baptism,  
fed with the bread of life, and called to be God's people.**

**We trust in the one triune God whom alone we worship and serve.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Do you, as members of this church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Charlotte by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging her to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of this church? If so, please say "we do."

**We do.**

THE BAPTISM & PRESENTATION OF BAPTISMAL GIFTS  
WELCOME

Let us welcome Charlotte.

**With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's church to share  
with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ.**

(Children ages preschool–grade 4 are invited to attend Sunday School. Youth grades 5-8  
are invited to remain in worship with their families.

Nursery care is available for children ages 2 years and younger.)

\*HYMN 796

*We Come to You for Healing, Lord*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 4:46-54

Brett Lakefield

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

**Faith's Touchdown**

Maureen Paterson, Associate Pastor

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Great and Marvelous Are Thy Works*  
Sanctuary Choir

by Allen Orton Gibbs

\*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

HYMN 606

**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 DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*CLOSING HYMN 839

*Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine*

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Lift High the Cross*  
Organ

by Sydney Hugo Nicholson

*\*Those who are able are invited to stand.*

Please join us for our Souper Sunday Fundraising Event and Fellowship  
in Westminster Hall immediately following worship.

Dennis Jones is away and will return tomorrow.

## Flowers

**The Flowers are given to the glory of God:**

~In loving memory of Betty Mills by the Goat Appreciation Club.

~In celebration of the baptism of Charlotte Jane Neely, by Jacqueline & Harrison Neely  
and their family.

The flowers that grace our sanctuary each week are gifts from members of the congregation.  
Flowers may be given in memory or in honor of someone or to celebrate an occasion and  
cost \$42 per pier. If you would like to donate an arrangement, please contact our flower  
coordinator Ellen Johnson at (908) 285-1638 or email her at [flowers@brpc.org](mailto:flowers@brpc.org).



## Calendar of Events

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### **Sunday, February 8**

Early Bible Study, 8:30 a.m., Church House Parlor & online  
Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Streamed Live, 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School, 10:15 a.m., Calvin Hall  
Souper Sunday Fundraiser, 11:00 a.m., Westminster Hall  
God's Co-op Pantry Distribution, 4:00 p.m., 12 E. Allen Street

### **Monday, February 9**

Pantry Committee Meeting, 1:00 p.m., Church House Library  
Mission Council, 7:00 p.m., online  
Trustees, 7:00 p.m., online  
Fellowship Council, 7:30 p.m., online  
Meditation Group, 7:30 p.m., online

### **Tuesday, February 10**

Meditation Group, 8:30 a.m., online  
Oak Tree Quilters, 9:00 a.m., Geneva & Middle  
Agape Hour for grades Pre-& K, 3:45 p.m., Church House Agape Room  
Children & Youth Choir for grades 3-8, 5:00 p.m., Knox Room  
Alpha Bell Choir, 6:15 p.m., Knox Room  
Youth & Young Adult Council, 7:30 p.m., Church House Library & online  
Scout Troop #351, 7:00 p.m., Youth Center  
Knox Bell Choir, 7:30 p.m., Knox Room

### **Wednesday, February 11**

Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m., Church House Parlor & online

### **Thursday, February 12**

Meditation Group, 8:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m., online  
Seeking Strength in Troubled Times, 9:15 a.m. & 7:30 p.m., online

### **Friday, February 13**

### **Saturday, February 14**

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