

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 18, 2026

8:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite I



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Services: Sunday at 8 and 10 AM • Wednesday at 6 PM

Our Sunday 10:00 AM service is livestreamed

WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

Restrooms: Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

We have gluten-free wafers available: Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

Standing, sitting, and kneeling: Throughout the bulletin, there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

A gentle Reminder: Please enter the Nave quietly and reverently and silence your phones.



Virtual Worship Bulletins

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please remain seated.

ACCLAMATION

Please stand as able.

Celebrant Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

All Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

All **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy Spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray... Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 49:1-7

Lector *The First Reading is taken from Isaiah chapter 49...*

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away!
The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me.
He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away.
And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified."
But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God."

And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength-- he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 40

Psalm 40:1-12

Lector *We will read responsively from Psalm 40...*

Lector I waited patiently upon the Lord; he stooped to me and heard my cry.
People **He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay;**
 he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.

Lector He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the Lord.
People **Happy are they who trust in the Lord!**

Lector **They do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.**

Lector Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God!
How great your wonders and your plans for us!
There is none who can be compared with you.

People **Oh, that I could make them known and tell them!**
But they are more than I can count.

Lector In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure
(you have given me ears to hear you);

People **Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required,**
and so I said, "Behold, I come.

Lector In the roll of the book it is written concerning me:
'I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep in my heart.'"

People **I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation;**
behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O Lord, you know.

Lector Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance;
I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.
People **You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me;**
let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.

THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Lector The Second Reading is taken from 2nd Thessalonians chapter 3...

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

John 1:29-42

Please stand as able.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Celebrant John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

SERMON*Please be seated.*

The Rev. Whitney Burton

NICENE CREED*Please stand as able.**People*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
AMEN.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE*Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.**Celebrant*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Lector

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers,
and supplications, and to give thanks for all humanity receive these our prayers
which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the
Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all
those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and
live in unity and godly love. God of Light and Life,

People

We pray to you.

Lector Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops, especially to Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Douglas, our Bishop; Whitney, our Rector; to our companion diocese of Georgia, South Carolina, and Western Louisiana; St. Giles', Pinellas Park; St. Matthew's, St. Petersburg; St. Peter's Cathedral, St. Petersburg; St. Thomas', St. Petersburg, and St. Vincent's, St. Petersburg.; and to all priests, deacons, and the laity in their ministry; that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. God of Light and Life,

People **We pray to you.**

Lector And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. God of Light and Life,

People **We pray to you.**

Lector We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially our elected leaders, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. We pray that all God's children, especially those in the Middle East, might live in the hope of the world peace for which we are created. God of Light and Life,

People **We pray to you.**

Lector And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those listed in the weekly news who have asked for our prayers. I now invite you to pray for others by name, aloud or in your hearts. (*Pause.*) God of Light and Life,

People **We pray to you.**

Lector Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. We give thanks for the flowers given for the glory of God, and for all the blessings of this life, especially the birthday this coming week of Susan Howat, Larry Wilbur, Laurie Toohey, and Jay Ozbun. God of Light and Life,

People **We pray to you.**

Lector And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear. Please add names of those on your heart, silently or aloud. (*Pause.*) We beseech thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. God of Light and Life,

People **We pray to you.**

Lector Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

People **AMEN.**

CONFSSION AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

People **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Please stand as able.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Please be seated.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer II

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Celebrant says a proper preface

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

People

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Please kneel or stand, as you choose.

Celebrant All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People

AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,
People **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, for ever and ever.
AMEN.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**
Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to receive the Sacrament. If you would like to receive wine you may do so by sipping from the chalice or allowing the Eucharistic Minister to intinct (dip) the wafer for you. If you desire a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray.
People Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Please stand as able.

Celebrant announces the blessing.

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Whitney Burton
Crucifer/Chalicist	Michelle Schombs
Lector	Barbara Groff
Prayers of the People	Michelle Schombs
Ushers	Joe and Betty Lombardo



PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR

Annie H, Mickele F, The Augers, Ashley, Dave M, Carol C, Tony B, the people of Jamaica in the wake of Hurricane Melissa, Danial B, Alison W, Pat B, Liz N, Elaine H, David Q, Sarah R, David B, Mandeville P, Mavis S, Enez P, Bob S, James G, Millicent L, Lynne H, Butch N, Mary Ann W, Maureen B, Helen Marie, Bonnie S, Gloria S, Bill G, Priscilla B, Indra E, the people of Ukraine, Jim T, Mark and Maryellen, and Kam M.



CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK:

Birthdays – Susan Howat, Larry Wilbur, Laurie Toohey, and Jay Ozbun.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

One Combined Service – On February 1st, 8th, and 15th, we will be having one combined service at 9 AM.

140th Anniversary - The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd officially celebrates its 140th year on December 28, 2026. Beginning in January 2026, displays about the history of the church building and congregation will be presented in Kirk Hall. History Moments will be present at each Sunday Worship Service.

February 1 – 8, 2026: A week of events, history, and celebrations!

Sunday, February 1: 9 AM Official 140th Celebration Kick-Off Sunday

Tuesday, February 3: Cheese & History Reception from 6:30 to 8 PM

Friday, February 6: Fish Fry Dinner at 5:30 PM in Kirk Hall. Steve Maisel and the Hospitality Team will be providing a delicious meal with all the trimmings. They can be purchased in advance beginning this Sunday in Kirk Hall. Tickets are \$15.00 per person with 6 and under free. Cash, check and credit card will be accepted.

Sunday, February 8: 9 AM Worship Service with Bishop Scharf. Reception to follow.

Good Shepherd History - The authors have completed their writing of “The Legacy Continues, the Church of the Good Shepherd since 1886” and are now offering it for pre-sale in Kirk Hall following each worship service. Price for the book has been set at \$35.00 during the pre-sale and will be \$40.00 after today, January 18, 2026. Cash, check or credit card are accepted.

United Faiths Walk of Peace – 1:30 PM on February 1st in Pioneer Park, Dunedin. T-shirts will be on sale at COGS after Sunday services for \$15.

Annual Meeting – February 15th following the 9 AM combined service.

Regular Events –

every Wednesday – Bible study at 2 PM and Evening Worship at 6 PM

Sunday, January 18 - Dunedin Cares Food Pantry Collection and Cursillistas Meeting

Sunday, January 25 – Daughters of the King at 11:30 AM in the Lounge.

Sunday, February 22 – Book Club on *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi in the Patio Room.