



# VERNAL

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the *Evangelical Presbyterian Church*

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LORD'S DAY SERVICE  
JANUARY 4, 2026

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

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*God Calls Us*

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**\*Call to Worship**

*Psalm 98*

<sup>1</sup>Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!

**His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.**

<sup>2</sup>The LORD has made known his salvation;

**he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

<sup>3</sup>He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

**All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**

<sup>4</sup>Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;

**break forth into joyous song and sing praises!**

<sup>5</sup>Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody!

**<sup>6</sup>With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King,  
the LORD!**

<sup>7</sup>Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it!

**<sup>8</sup>Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together <sup>9</sup>before the  
LORD,**

**for he comes to judge the earth.**

**He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.**

## **\*Invocation**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Matthew 6:9-13*

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.

### **\*Hymn #375**

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

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*God Cleanses Us*

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### **Reading of the Law**

*1 John 2:3-11*

### **Prayer of Confession & Supplication**

Eternal God, in You, we live and move and have our being, but Your face is hidden from us by our sins. In the blindness of our hearts, we forget Your mercy. Cleanse us from all our iniquities, and deliver us from all proud thoughts and vain desires, that with lowliness and meekness we may draw near to You in prayer, confessing our sins, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You our refuge and our strength, our hope and our salvation; through Jesus Christ Your Son. Amen.

### **Assurance of Pardon**

*1 Peter 3:18*

### **\*Hymn #100**

*Pass Me Not*

PASS ME NOT

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*God Consecrates Us*

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### **Old Testament Reading**

*Genesis 37:1-11*

### **Children's Word**

### **\*Hymn #259**

*Holy Bible, Book Divine*

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### **New Testament Reading**

*Matthew 1:18-25*

### **Sermon**

*Joseph's Dilemma*

Rev. Reid Roberson

### **Prayer of Intercession**

## **\*Confession of Faith**

## *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **\*Gloria Patri #436**

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## **Offertory**

## **\*Doxology #434**

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## **\*Offertory Prayer**

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### *God Commissions Us*

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## **\*Hymn #129**

*All the Way My Savior Leads Me*

ALL THE WAY

## **\*Benediction**

*Numbers 6:24-26*

## **\*Departure Hymn**

*Shalom to You*

SOMOS DEL SENOR

*Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.  
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.  
In all your living and through your loving,  
Christ be your shalom; Christ be your shalom.*



*\*The congregation is invited to stand.*

## **Announcements**

**Bible Study** resumes this Wednesday at 5:30 PM. We will pick up where we left off with Psalm 23.

**Choir** will meet Thursday at 4 PM.

**Local missions opportunities** are available!

- Antioch's Food Pantry
- PROMISS Pregnancy Care
- Backpack Buddies

## **Prayer List**

Devin Fortenberry, Sandy James, Nancy Brown, Mamie Raines,  
Karen Allen, Jeff Allen, Logan Brewer, Larry Owens, Julianne Allgood,  
Annie Ruth Thigpen, Elaine Gabel, Donna Pederson, Leighton Wilson,  
Donna McIntosh, Gail Stuck

## **Upcoming Birthdays**

Madeleine Roberson (Jan. 19), Rilla Roberson (Jan. 25)

## **Session of Elders**

Jeff Allen            Jennifer Fortenberry  
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