

## Calendar

Today-Adult Sunday school 10:30 am

28-Men's Bible study 6 am

31-Men's group 8 am

Feb. 1-Worship 9 am

## Announcements

Special thank you to Jay Grogan for leading our worship!

Please get your Annual reports to Nancy

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***WE INVITE EVERYONE TO JOIN US FOR  
FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWING OUR SERVICE***

# Gather

## United Presbyterian Church

Established 1893

January 25, 2026

\*please stand if able

Thank you for choosing to  
worship with us today...

*We are glad you are here!*

## Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

#### \*Call to Worship

Leader: Beloved, let us love one another, for love comes from God.

**People: Everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.**

Leader: God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent His Son into the world so that we might live through Him.

**People: We love because God first loved us.**

Leader: If God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

**People: Perfect love casts out fear. We come to worship the God who is love.**

**All: Come, let us worship God, the source of love, the giver of life, and the one who calls us to love in truth and action.**

#### \*Opening Song

#### \*Opening Prayer

Loving God, You are love, and You have first loved us. Open our hearts to receive Your love again today. Cast out our fear, shape us by Your grace, and teach us to love one another as You have loved us. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, the perfect expression of Your love. Amen.

#### Prayer of Confession and Reconciliation

Loving God, You call us to love one another as You have loved us, yet we confess that our love is often limited and incomplete. We have allowed fear to shape our choices instead of trusting in Your perfect love. We have withheld compassion, judged our neighbors, and failed to love in both word and action. Forgive us for the times we claim to love You while neglecting those You place before us. Cleanse our hearts, cast out our fear, and teach us again what it means to abide in Your love. By Your grace, restore us and renew us, so that we may reflect Your love more faithfully in our lives and in our world. We confess these things in the name of Jesus Christ, who first loved us and gave Himself for us. Amen.

## \*Congregational Response

“Amazing Grace”

### Scripture

1 John 4:7-21

### Sermon

“God is Love”

### Quiet time of reflection

#### \*Statement of Faith

Prayers of the people followed by The Lord's Prayer

### Worship Through Giving

#### \*Closing hymn

Blessed Be The Tie That Binds please gather and join hands

#### \*Benediction

Wherever we are, God has put us there. God has a purpose in us being there. Christ who lives in us has something he wants to do through us where we are. We believe this and we go in grace, love and power. Amen.

### Postlude