



Epiphany 3

January 25, 2026

WELCOME! We are blessed to worship with you today!

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SERVING TODAY:

Reader: Kristin Grubb
Prayer Leader: Joyce Martin
Altar Guild: Kristin Grubb
Children's Message: Jessica Purdum
Ushers: Ron Jantz, Allen Baker, Will Koski, Mark Mitchell, Corey Grubb & Bob Pirog
Communion Assistants: Joyce Martin, Susi Laflin, Debi Musick, Ann Lawton, Jill Botkin, Jessica & Drew Purdum
Video assistant: Garrett Purdum
Acolyte & Crucifer: Viktor & Arabella Teske

PRELUDE: *Fugue KV626* by Mozart Arr by Kramer Blackwelder Brass

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Almighty God, to 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 your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your Holy Name, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. ***Amen.***

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (*Pause for silent reflection*)
Gracious God,

Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned away from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion, forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may serve you in the newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

God who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together in Christ. By grace we have been saved and in the name of Christ your sins are forgiven. ***Amen.***

OPENING HYMN: #314 ***Arise, Your Light Has Come***

Arise, your light has come! The Spirit's call obey;
show forth the glory of your God which shines on you today.

Arise, your light has come! Fling wide the prison door;
proclaim the captive's liberty, good tidings to the poor.

Arise, your light has come! All you in sorrow born,
bind up the brokenhearted ones and comfort those who mourn.

Arise, your light has come! The mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

Kyrie 1 & 2

Refrain

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev'-ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the

u - ni - ty of all; for
 hun - gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam - i - ly; for
 wa - ter and the word; that you

this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Let us pray. Lord God, your loving kindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:1-4

9 But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. **2**The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. **3**You have multiplied exultation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. **4**For the yoke of their burden and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM 27:1, 4-9

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

⁴One thing I ask of the LORD; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;

to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God in the temple.

⁵For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter,

hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high upon a rock.

⁶Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me.

Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing;

I will sing and make music to the LORD.

⁷Hear my voice, O LORD, when I call;

have mercy on me and answer me.

⁸My heart speaks your message—"Seek my face."

Your face, O LORD, I will seek.

⁹Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your servant in anger.

Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of my salvation.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

¹⁰Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you but that you be knit together in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹For it has been made clear to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹²What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else. ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel—and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Word of God, Word of Life,

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia!

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia

The Holy Gospel according to **Matthew**.

Glory to you, O Lord

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 4:12-23

¹²Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵"Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the gentiles—¹⁶the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned."

¹⁷From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

¹⁸As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishers. ¹⁹And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people." ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

²³Jesus went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
SPECIAL MUSIC:
MESSAGE

Jessica Purdum
In Christ Alone
Pastor Stefanie Rowinski

SPLC Adult Choir w/Blackwelder Brass

HYMN

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee; Take my moments and my days-
Let them flow in ceaseless praise, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee, swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my love my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself and I will be ever only all for thee, ever only all for thee.

Take my will and make it thine- it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart it is thine own, it shall be thy royal throne, it shall be thy royal throne.

APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church. (*Silence for prayer.*)

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace. (*Silence for prayer.*)

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble. (*Silence for prayer.*)

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him. (*Silence for prayer.*)

Members of the congregation may ask the prayers or the thanksgivings of those present

I ask your prayers for _____.

I ask your thanksgiving for _____.
(*Silence for prayer.*)

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. (*Silence for prayer.*)

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please note there is no offertory during service, our offering plates are located at the back of the sanctuary, or scan the QR code or visit stpaulsokc.com/online-giving to give online.



COMMUNION

The Lord be with you. ***And also with you.***

Lift up your hearts. ***We lift them up to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to the glory of your Name:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to all of them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

...By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

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 and ever. AMEN

DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS Please note, there are gluten free wafers available if you need them. The cups in the center of the trays are juice, and the outer rings are wine.

SPECIAL COMMUNION MUSIC: *Amazing Grace* arr by Sletcha Blackwelder Brass

Let us pray. ***Almighty and ever-living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.***

THE BLESSING

May the Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE
SENDING

Dance by Renwick

Blackwelder Brass

Go in Peace. Share the Good News. ***Thanks be to God.***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASH WEDNESDAY (2/18) & LENT SERVICES

Lent will soon be upon us! We will begin with Ash Wednesday service on February 18 at 6:30pm (choir rehearsal at 7:30). There will be no meal that day. We will have Wednesday night Lent services each week. Activities will include a soup supper beginning at 5:45, service at 6:30 and age group activities from 7:00-7:30, & adult choir rehearsal at 7:00. There will be service and choir rehearsal only on March 18th. Holy week services will be held at 6:30 on Maundy Thursday (4/2) and Good Friday (4/3). Easter Service will be at 9:30 am on April 5th.

WOW

Back in June of 2007 Wild on Wednesdays (WOW) was created. Instead of offering a traditional weeklong VBS experience in June, this FREE monthlong ministry offers Pre-K through 5th grade children the opportunity to visit family friendly sites all over the state! In order to provide these June Wednesday trips for our community, we host a WOW auction to raise the funds. So, get your hands ready to raise for live auction items, get those pens prepared to write the winning bid for the silent auction items, and come hungry on February 22, 2026.

FOOD PANTRY

Our food pantry is open! We ask for help keeping it stocked. Please bring non-expired, nonperishable food items to the church. Feel free to place your items in the pantry cabinet (set on the north side of the main entrance) or leave items in the cart in the narthex. If you are looking for suggestions for items to bring, there are lists on the information table in the narthex.

Questions- contact Alana Adair.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

JANUARY

1/25- Worship & Education

Blackwelder Brass

1/26- 9am Canticle Ringers

1/27- 6:30 Twilight Tones

1/28- Wednesday night activities

5:45 Meal - *tba*

6:30 Education & Choir

FEBRUARY

2/1- Worship & Education

2/2- 9am Canticle Ringers

2/3- 6:30 Twilight Tones

2/4- Wednesday night activities

5:45 Meal – Chili Dogs

6:30 Education & Choir

2/8- Worship & Education

2/9- 9am Canticle Ringers

2/10- 6:30 Twilight Tones

Executive Board meeting

2/11- Wednesday night activities

5:45 Meal – Walking Tacos

6:30 Education & Choir

2/15- Worship & Education

2/16- 9am Canticle Ringers

2/17- 6:30 Twilight Tones

2/18- 6:30 Ash Wednesday Service

7:30 Adult Choir

2/19-1pm XYZ

2/22- Worship

WOW Auction

2/23- 9am Canticle Ringers

2/24- 6:30 Twilight Tones

2/25- Wed. Lent Service & Activities

5:45 Soup Supper

6:30 Service

7:00 Adult Choir & Group Activity