



Epiphany 5

February 8, 2026

WELCOME! We are blessed to worship with you today!

If you are visiting, we are delighted that you're here. If you have any questions, please ask anyone near you. To find out everything going on at St. Paul's, visit www.stpaulsokc.com.

Today, the Purdum family will share how WOW has impacted their lives.

Today's altar flowers are in honor of Mike and Carolyn Lewis's 25th Anniversary!

SERVING TODAY:

Reader:	Kristin Grubb
Prayer Leader:	Kristin Grubb
Altar Guild:	Kathy Knox
Children's Message:	Tom Todd
Video assistant:	Rick Ayling
Ushers:	Luke Green, Keith Kilpatrick, Patti Spain, Ted Teske & Mike Thompson
Communion Assistants:	Kristin Grubb, Susi Laflin, Carolyn Lewis, Alana & Robert Adair, Jill & Bali Botkin
Acolyte & Crucifer:	Jane Green & Henson Davis

PRELUDE: **Ron Wallace**

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:

#870 We Praise You, O God

We praise you, O God, our redeemer, creator;
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;
we bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.

We worship you, God of our fathers and mothers;
through trial and tempest our guide you have been.
When perils o'er take us, you will not forsake us,
and with your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.

With voices united our praises we offer
and gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.
With you, Lord beside us, your strong arm will guide us.
To you, our great redeemer, forever be praise!

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

Kyrie 3 & 4

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, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 58:1-12

58 Shout out; do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. **2** Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments; they want God on their side. **3** “Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day and oppress all your workers. **4** You fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. **5** Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? **6** Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? **7** Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them and not to hide yourself from your own kin? **8** Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you; the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. **9** Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, “Here I am.”

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, **10** if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. **11** The Lord will guide you continually and satisfy your needs in parched places and make your bones strong, and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail. **12** Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM 112:1-10

¹Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD
and have great delight in God's commandments!
²Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.
³Wealth and riches will be in their house,
and their righteousness will last forever.
⁴Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
⁵It is good for them to be generous in lending
and to manage their affairs with justice.
⁶For they will never be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
⁷They will not be afraid of any evil rumors;
their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.
⁸Their heart is established and will not shrink,
until they see their desire upon their enemies.
⁹They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever;
they will hold up their head with honor.
¹⁰The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away;
the desires of the wicked will perish.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 2:1-16

²When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. ³For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ⁴And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁵My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁶so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. ⁷Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are being destroyed. ⁸But we speak God's wisdom, a hidden mystery, which God decreed before the ages for our glory ⁹and which none of the rulers of this age understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ¹⁰But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"— ¹¹God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹²For what human knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹³Now we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. ¹⁴And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. ¹⁵Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁶Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny. ¹⁷For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

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 5:13-20

¹³"You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled underfoot. ¹⁴"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

¹⁷“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
SPECIAL MUSIC:
MESSAGE

HYMN #677

Tom Todd
Let Your Light Shine
Pastor Stefanie Rowinski

SPLC Adult Choir

This Little Light of Mine
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
this little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine;
ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine;
ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

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

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **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.

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

Ron Wallace

SENDING

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.

“LOVE ONE ANOTHER” - OUTREACH FEBRUARY MISSION

“Love like Jesus” – Love on another believer by sending a note of encouragement this month! If you have any questions- contact a member of the Outreach Board.

XYZ

Will meet at Cattleman's for lunch on Feb. 19th. Nancy and Kent Wallace are our hosts this month. It will be helpful to know how many are coming so please sign up in the narthex. If you need a ride, please indicate that and meet at the church by 12:30 that day. We hope you'll join us.

WOW LUNCHEON

We need soups, cheese, crackers, chips, cornbread, bread desserts and kitchen help for the WOW luncheon on 2/22. Sign up sheets will be available in the narthex on Sunday and the activity center on Wednesdays. If you have questions, please contact Shelly Nutter.

WOW

WOW needs silent auction items! Examples include gift cards for your favorite restaurants, spas, or favorite activity. Themes items are great too (i.e. puzzles, games, movie night). Only have single items, that's ok, we will mingle them with others! We simply ask that all donated items arrive by Wednesday, February 18th so our basket creators can wrap them up nicely. If you have any questions, please reach out to Carolyn Lewis or Risa Powell.

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

FEBRUARY

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

Easter Candy class competition begins

5:45 Soup Supper

6:30 Service

7:00 Adult Choir & Group Activity