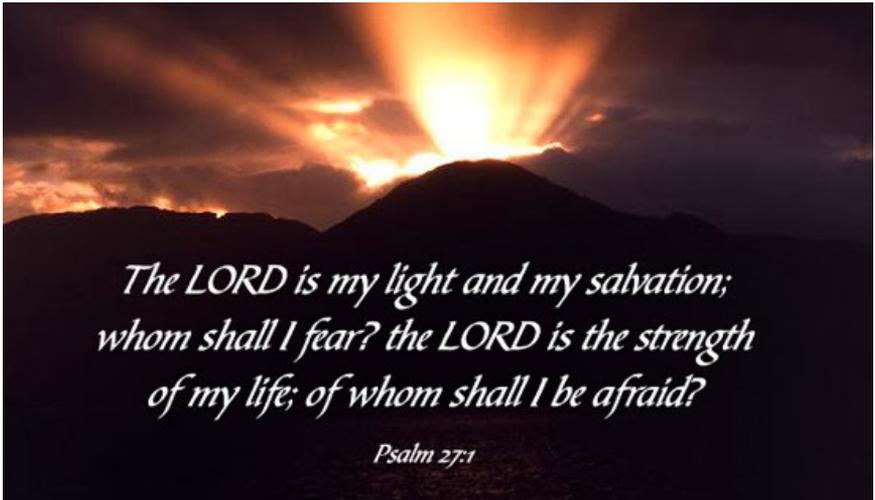




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Children's Message

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Offering (Praise Band) "Hallejah" (words by Paige Buck)

Prayers

Benediction

Closing Hymn – "You are my King" (Amazing Love)

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In all I do ... to honor You.
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Silent Prayer

Attendance - 53	Bible Study - 14	
Offering through Jan 19, 2020	Last Week	Year to Date
General Fund – Budget	\$ 3,867.00	\$ 11,601.00
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Flower Sign-Up Poster – *If you will be providing flowers for a Worship Service, please sign up on the date you wish to provide flowers. The poster is on the bulletin board.*

CALENDAR

Today – Jan 26, 2020 9:00 am Bible Study
 10:00 am Worship – Third Sunday after Epiphany

Next Sunday – Feb 2 9:00 am Bible “How to have a Spiritual Conversation”
 10:00 am Worship – Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

Readings: 1 Sam 1:21-28, Heb 2:14-18, Luke 2:22-32 (33-40)

UPCOMING

February 2-May 3 on Sundays 2-4pm – Grief Share Group. This is for anyone who has lost a loved one, and wants healing and hope for the future. Cost for the workbook is \$15.00. Contact Barb Kern (217) 762-2005

Peace Meals February 3-7: Please let Carol Blankenburg know if you can help.

	<i>Jan 26, 2020</i>	<i>Feb 2, 2020</i>	<i>Feb 9, 2020</i>
Reader	Don Davison	Dave Remmert	Jim Ballsrud
Usher	S. Sparenberg, M. Moffett, P. Blankenburg	S. Sparenberg, Phil & Carol Blankenburg	C. Sowinski, K. Buck, Jamey Maxwell
Acolyte	Ella Trevillian	Lucy Maxwell	Ella Trevillian
Screens	Aidan Trevillian	Ella Trevillian	Cole Sowinski
Music	Praise Band	Roberta Sparenberg	Roberta Sparenberg
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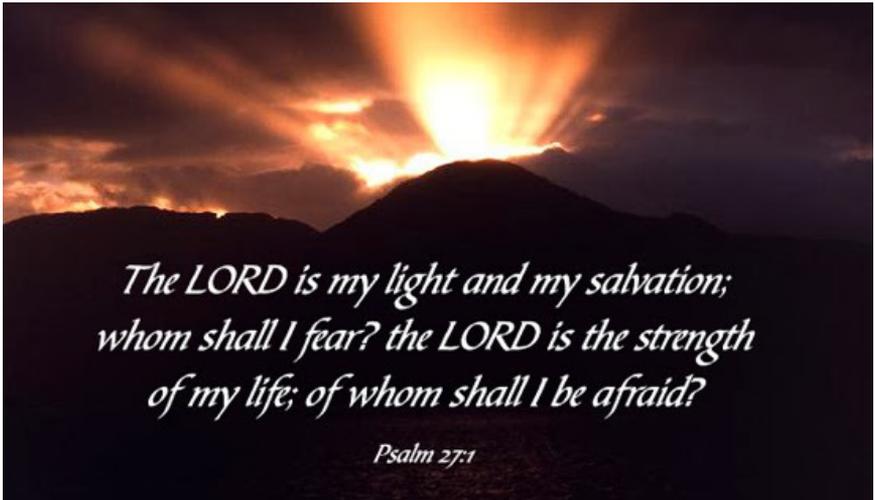
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Lord, I love to sing Your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life;
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Sermon - "Jesus is my Light and my Salvation"

Offering (Praise Band) "Hallejah" (words by Paige Buck)

Prayers

Benediction

Closing Hymn – "You are my King" (Amazing Love)

I'm forgiven, because You were forsaken.
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I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me,
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Amazing love, how can it be;
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In all I do ... to honor You.
In all I do, let me honor you.

Silent Prayer

Attendance - 53	Bible Study - 14	
Offering through Jan 19, 2020	Last Week	Year to Date
General Fund – Budget	\$ 3,867.00	\$ 11,601.00
General Fund – Actual	\$ 3,718.00	\$ 10,051.86
Building Fund - Actual	\$ 50.00	\$ 320.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flower Sign-Up Poster – *If you will be providing flowers for a Worship Service, please sign up on the date you wish to provide flowers. The poster is on the bulletin board.*

CALENDAR

Today – Jan 26, 2020 9:00 am Bible Study
 10:00 am Worship – Third Sunday after Epiphany

Next Sunday – Feb 2 9:00 am Bible “How to have a Spiritual Conversation”
 10:00 am Worship – Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

Readings: 1 Sam 1:21-28, Heb 2:14-18, Luke 2:22-32 (33-40)

UPCOMING

February 2-May 3 on Sundays 2-4pm – Grief Share Group. This is for anyone who has lost a loved one, and wants healing and hope for the future. Cost for the workbook is \$15.00. Contact Barb Kern (217) 762-2005

Peace Meals February 3-7: Please let Carol Blankenburg know if you can help.

	<i>Jan 26, 2020</i>	<i>Feb 2, 2020</i>	<i>Feb 9, 2020</i>
<i>Reader</i>	<i>Don Davison</i>	<i>Dave Remmert</i>	<i>Jim Ballsrud</i>
<i>Usher</i>	<i>S. Sparenberg, M. Moffett, P. Blankenburg</i>	<i>S. Sparenberg, Phil & Carol Blankenburg</i>	<i>C. Sowinski, K. Buck, Jamey Maxwell</i>
<i>Acolyte</i>	<i>Ella Trevillian</i>	<i>Lucy Maxwell</i>	<i>Ella Trevillian</i>
<i>Screens</i>	<i>Aidan Trevillian</i>	<i>Ella Trevillian</i>	<i>Cole Sowinski</i>
<i>Music</i>	<i>Praise Band</i>	<i>Roberta Sparenberg</i>	<i>Roberta Sparenberg</i>
<i>Elder</i>	<i>Jamey Maxwell</i>	<i>Jamey Maxwell</i>	<i>Jamey Maxwell</i>
<i>Altar</i>	<i>Kellie Hanselman Elaine Schweitzer</i>	<i>Kellie Hanselman Elaine Schweitzer</i>	<i>Kellie Hanselman Elaine Schweitzer</i>

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