

THE APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

“This Is My Beloved Son”
by Vanja Watkins, arr. by Pederson

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 108

Our hearts are ready, O Lord,
our hearts are ready!
We will sing and make melody!
We will awaken the dawn!
We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples,
we will sing praises to you among the nations.
For your steadfast love is great above the heavens,
and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

*SONG OF WORSHIP

#68 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

CHORAL CONFESSION

“Entrust Thy Ways Unto Him”
J. S. Bach

Entrust thy ways unto Him and all thy spirit craves,
who rules the clouds of Heaven and bids the breezes blow,
He best can choose the pathway on which our steps should go.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Psalm 16

My heart is glad and I rejoice; my body rests in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
or let your beloved stay in the grave.
You will show me the pathway of life,
granting me the joy of your presence,
and the goodness of dwelling with you forever.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Congregation, bless your children.
You are God’s beloved child. With you, God is well pleased.

*SONG OF PREPARATION

#129 “Be Still, for the Spirit of the Lord”

SCRIPTURE & SERMON

Matthew 3:13-17

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ 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 to judge the living and the dead.

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

*SONG OF THANKSGIVING

tune: Old Hundredth

Praise God, whose image we all bear;
Praise Christ, whose mercy we all share;
Praise Spirit, making justice grow—
One God from whom all blessings flow! Amen.

*Tithes/offerings placed in the baskets at the entrance of the sanctuary are brought
forward as a sign of our response to God’s call on our lives.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

*SONG OF RESPONSE

#719 “Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

*ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING SONG

“My Friends, May You Grow in Grace”

My friends, may you grow in grace,
and in the knowledge of our Lord, and Savior.
My friends, may you grow in grace,
and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.
To God be the glory, now and forever, now and forever, amen.
To God be the glory, now and forever, now and forever, amen.

*POSTLUDE

“All Good Gifts”
by Stephen Schwartz

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THANK YOU, VAL VAN KOOTEN!
We also extend deep appreciation to Val for her willingness to share her musical
gifts as she led us in worship this morning.



★ THIS WILL ONLY TAKE A **SECOND**
★ Actually, it may take 60 seconds, but check out the info below.

ARE YOU A GUEST TODAY?

Welcome--we're so glad you've come to worship with us! If you're looking for a church to call your own, we hope you'll return another Sunday to get to know us even better. SRC values history and tradition as well as creativity and innovation. We try not to take ourselves too seriously. Most of all, we're a congregation where anyone can belong just as they are. God welcomes all. And so do we.

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CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF January 11, 2026

TODAY

- 9:45 am Worship Service
- 11:30 am Pizza Lunch
- 4:00 pm Handbell Choir
- 6:00 pm Middle School & High School Youth Group Mario Kart

MONDAY

- 6:30 pm Council Meetings

TUESDAY

- 2:00 pm Coffee, Cookies, & Conversation
- 6:30 pm Deacons' Meeting

WEDNESDAY

- 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir

NEXT SUNDAY

- 9:45 am Worship Service
- 11:00 am Faith Formation Groups for All Ages
- 2:30 pm High School Youth Group
- 4:00 pm Handbell Choir
- 6:00 pm Middle School Youth Group

Greeters: Ed Willis, Kent Van Kooten, Sherril Graham, Ann Visser
Next Week: Kent & Val Van Kooten, Don Andre

Nursery: Liz Wilner, Neriah Hardeman
Next Week:

Storyteller: Annie Foskett
Next Week: Sara Hefflefinger, Jackson Renaud

Barista: Kathy Thompson
Next Week: Pete & Cindy Peterson

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The Baptism of the Lord
January 11, 2026 - 9:45 am