



"The Calling of Saints Peter and Andrew"
Caravaggio, 1602–1604; oil and chiaroscuro on canvas



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
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JANUARY 11, 2026
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP
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Did I offer peace today? Did I bring a smile to someone's face? Did I say words of healing? Did I let go of my anger and resentment? Did I forgive? Did I love? These are the real questions. I must trust that the little bit of love that I sow now will bear many fruits, here in this world and the life to come.

—Henri Nouwen

Gathering Music

“The Light of the World is Jesus”
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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Cristina Adams

Prelude

“Fiat Lux (Let There Be Light)”

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LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

* Call to Worship

Joe Karnes

Leader: “Christ is the world’s true light, its captain of salvation, the day star clear and bright, desire of every nation.”

People: We assemble in the name of Christ our Savior, head of the Church, foundation of salvation, hinge of human hope,

Leader: who chooses to be centered not in the circles of privilege and power

People: but at the margin, with the downtrodden, the rejected, and the despised.

Leader: We shall tell the story of God’s mighty work in Christ and offer our worship and praise.

All: Let us worship God!

* Hymn of Praise (CONGR 154)

“Christ Is the World’s Light”
CHRISTE SANCTORUM

* Passing of the Peace

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you!

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

* Responding in Peace (CONGR 640, v 1)

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”
SHOWALTER

Children’s Sermon

SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Call to Prayer

“Light of the World”

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Hearing Our Joys and Concerns

Rev. Cristina Adams

Unison Discipline of Confession

Holy God, we confess and lament the violence of our world and our fascinated bondage to military might, merciless justice, self-righteous revenge, and national pride. Shine on us from the cradle of your vulnerability that forgiveness, mercy, and kindness may glow and grow among us through Jesus Christ.

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

God forgives all our sins and promises to bring us to everlasting life. Thanks be to God!

Morning Prayer and 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

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* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

(Those headed to Children's Church may leave now.)

PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

* Gospel Reading

Rev. Dr. Nathan Huguley
John 1.35-51

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Nathan Huguley
"A Movement Begins: Come and See"

* Hymn of Invitation (CONGR 549)

"Come, We That Love the Lord"
FESTAL SONG

* Life of the Church

* Benediction

Postlude

"Fanfare"

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The flowers on the altar are given for the greater glory of God.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

*Assoc. Pastor for Children, Youth, & Families: Rev. Cristina Adams
Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Nathan Huguley
Liturgist: Joe Karnes • Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist: Evelyn Falen
Director of Worship Music & Chancel Choir Director: Mark Robinson
Livestream Video Crew: Brenda Schenkel, Steve Yoder • Sound: Jim Lord
YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Kylee Johnston*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

*Local Church: Grace Presbyterian
American Baptist Churches, USA: Executive Minister Rev. Miriam Méndez,
serving the American Baptist churches of New Jersey
International Ministries Global Servants: Eliberto & Molly Juárez, serving in El Salvador*

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