

## Order of Worship for February 1, 2026

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

**Call to Worship** from John 8:12  
Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

**May we walk in the way of righteousness as children of God.**

We are called to serve the world as salt of the earth.

**May we shine as beacons of hope as we share the good news of Jesus Christ.**

### Prayer of the Day

Holy God, the earth is filled with your glory and in your presence angels stand in awe. Enlarge our vision, that we may recognize your power at work in your Son and join our voices with the prophets and apostles as heralds of your saving word. We ask this through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**Hymn 384** "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

### Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, you have taught us your law, the way to life. You call us to care for others and provide for those who suffer. We confess that at times we are caught up in our own concerns and fail to love our neighbors as ourselves. Remind us that your Spirit is at work in us to bring renewal and enable us to become the people you have called us to be. Amen.

### Assurance of Forgiveness

### Prayer for Illumination

**Old Testament** Genesis 16:1-16  
**New Testament** Mark 7:24-30

**Sermon** "God Blesses Anyway"

Dr. Rosanna Anderson

### Offertory

### Doxology

### Prayer of Dedication

**Everlasting God, you are kind and trustworthy. Each day you graciously provide what we need. We are grateful that you bring healing and hope for us as individuals and as a community of faith. Accept these gifts to strengthen our church's outreach to our neighbors. May more people be drawn to know you and your love. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.**

### Invitation to the Lord's Supper

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 God thanks and praise.**

*(Prayer continues.)* ... Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*(Prayer continues.)* ... Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*(Prayer continues.)* ... We pray as Jesus has taught us, saying:  
**Our Father who art in heaven...**

### Sharing of the Elements and Prayer After Communion

Hymn 136

"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

Postlude

### Church Calendar

Saturday, Jan. 31     **Alcoholics Anonymous** 5:00 p.m.  
Connect with the facilitator by emailing [info@finyaa.org](mailto:info@finyaa.org).

Sunday, Feb. 1     **Worship and Fellowship** 10:00 a.m.  
All are welcome to worship God with us in person or via live stream,  
followed by refreshments and conversation at coffee hour.

**Jukebox Night** 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
Mere Doyen will present a selection of albums for participants to vote  
on. We will listen to a complete album together, with snacks provided.

Monday, Feb. 2     **Church Office Closed, Pastor's Day Off**

Tuesday, Feb. 3     **Alcoholics Anonymous** 6:15 p.m.

Wed., Feb. 4     **Bible Study** 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.  
We will meet in the church Parlor and via Zoom to discuss Chapter 4,  
"Tending the Shoots of Peace" in *Tending the Wild Garden: Growing  
in the Fruit of the Spirit* by Eugenia Gamble.

**Tots Time** 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
Toddlers and caregivers enjoy conversation, play time and snacks.

Saturday, Feb. 7     **Alcoholics Anonymous** 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 8     **Worship and Fellowship** 10:00 a.m.  
Everyone is welcome to worship God with us in person or via live  
stream, followed by refreshments at coffee hour.

**Board Game Cafe** 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
People of all ages are invited to join us for dinner and games.



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