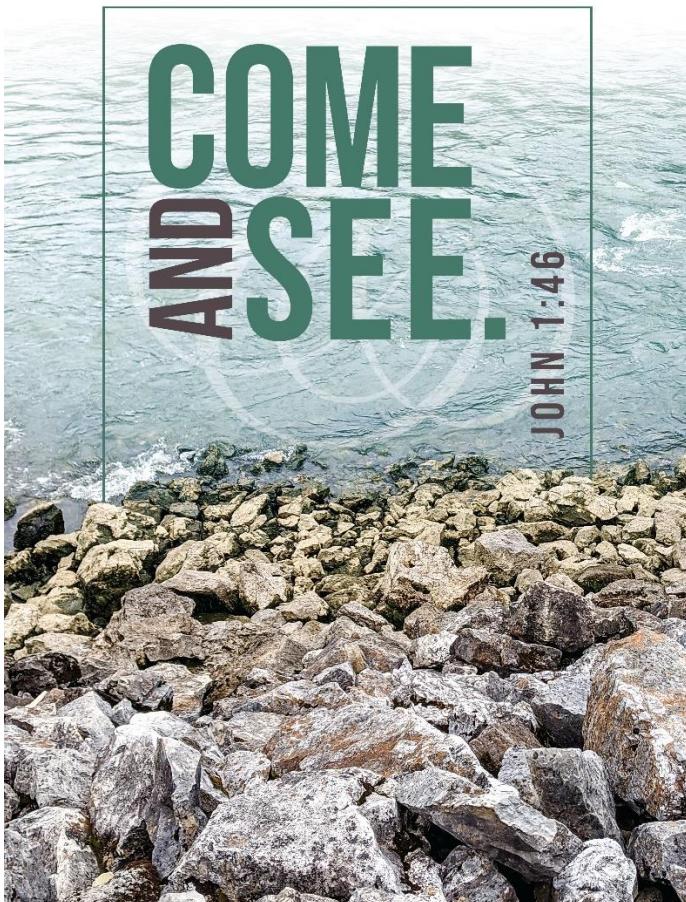


**Second Sunday after the Epiphany  
January 18, 2026  
10:30 a.m.**



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*Here is a simple pattern for the church's celebration during Epiphany: Christ is revealed as the servant of all people; Christ is baptized for his mission; Christ proclaims his message in word and deed until he goes up to Jerusalem. Here the season and the readings set forth a pattern for the community of faith: we enter this church, shaped and sustained by Holy Baptism and Holy Communion, with a mission to serve the world. We are called to invite others to come and see the Lord. Come and touch the waters of new life, we say. Come and hear the words of good news. Come and taste the bread of life and the cup of mercy. Let your lives be shaped and sustained by these good things of God's grace.*

*In addition to the observance of Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday (USA) tomorrow, it is also the beginning of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.*

## **WELCOME**

## **PRELUDE**

## **INVOCATION**

*Stand*

**P** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.. **C** **Amen.**

## **WORDS OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Kneel/ Remain Standing*

**P** Gracious God,

**C** **have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

**C** **Amen.**

## SHARING OF PEACE *Share a greeting of peace with those around you.*

### SERVICE OF THE WORD

#### HYMN     “All Glory Be to God” LSB 947

1 All glo - ry be to God on high And thanks for all His  
2 We praise and laud and wor - ship You; We give You thanks for -  
3 O Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son Be - got - ten of the  
4 O Ho - ly Spir - it, our de - light And source of con - so -

fa - vor; No harm can touch or ter - ri - fy A child of  
ev - er, O Fa - ther, for Your rule is true And just and  
Fa - ther, Your sav - ing death has made us one With God and  
la - tion, Pro - tect us from the dev - il's might Through Je - sus,

God for - ev - er. God shows His good and gra - cious will And  
chang - es nev - er. With bound - less pow'r, Your might - y reign Ful -  
with each oth - er. O Lamb of God, to You on high In  
our sal - va - tion, Who by His death up - on a tree Has

grants His peace, the world to fill— All strife at last has end - ed.  
fills what - ev - er You or - dain. Lord, grant us ev - 'ry bless - ing!  
our dis - tress we sin - ners cry, Have mer - cy on us, a - men!  
res - cued us from mis - er - y: To this we hold for - ev - er.

Text: Nicolaus Decius, c. 1485–after 1546; tr. *Lutheran Service Book*, 2006  
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*Luke 2:14; John 1:29, 36; Rev. 5:9–14; Eph. 1:20–21*

## GREETING

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all **C** And also with you.

## KYRIE

*J = 44-48*

**A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mercy.

**A** For the peace from a- bove, and for our sal- vation let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the uni-ty of all, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer-cy.

**A** For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**A** Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gracious Lord.

**C** A - men

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS \*

J. = 48-52

Glory to God in the high - est,  
 and peace to his peo-ple on earth.  
 Glory to God in the high - est,  
 and peace to his peo-ple on earth.  
 Lord God, heav - en - ly king,  
 al - - - - - might - y God and Fa - ther,  
 we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
 praise you for your glo - - - ry.  
 Glory to God in the high - est,  
 and peace to his peo-ple on earth.  
 Glory to God in the high - est,  
 and peace to his peo-ple on earth.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world:  
have mer - cy on us; you are  
seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther:  
re - ceive our prayer.

Glory to God in the high - est,  
and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Glory to God in the high - est,  
and peace to his neo- ple on earth.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a -

lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,  
 Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.  
 □ Glo - ry to God in the high - est,  
 A - men, a men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.

**P** Lord God, you showed your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son. As he brought gladness and healing to his people, grant us these same gifts and lead us also to perfect faith in him, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C** Amen.

*Sit*

*Children are invited to meet by the Cross for the Children's Lesson.*

## FIRST LESSON *Isaiah 49:1-7*

*Today's reading again picks up the theme of the Lord's transformation of the old into something new. The imagery is familiar: the Lord's appointed one is called before birth and equipped to do the Lord's work. The new thing is that the servant will not only do the Lord's work for the benefit of Israel, but will also work for the benefit of the nations.*

**R** Listen to me, O coastlands,  
 pay attention, you peoples from far away!  
 The LORD called me before I was born,  
 while I was in my mother's womb he named me.  
 He made my mouth like a sharp sword,  
 in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
 he made me a polished arrow,  
 in his quiver he hid me away.  
 And he said to me, "You are my servant,  
 Israel, in whom I will be glorified."

But I said, "I have labored in vain,  
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;  
yet surely my cause is with the LORD,  
and my reward with my God."  
And now the LORD says,  
    who formed me in the womb to be his servant,  
    to bring Jacob back to him,  
    and that Israel might be gathered to him,  
    for I am honored in the sight of the LORD,  
    and my God has become my strength--  
he says,  
"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant  
    to raise up the tribes of Jacob  
    and to restore the survivors of Israel;  
I will give you as a light to the nations,  
    that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the LORD,  
    the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
    to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,  
    the slave of rulers,  
"Kings shall see and stand up,  
    princes, and they shall prostrate themselves  
    because of the LORD, who is faithful,  
    the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

¶ This is the Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND LESSON I Corinthians 1:1-9

*Paul's letters to Corinth are addressed to a church beset by many problems. Still, he begins this epistle by emphasizing the faithfulness and grace of God, whose strength will see them through.*

¶ Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,  
    To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

    Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.  
    I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind--just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you--so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our

Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

¶ This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE



**C** Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e-ternal life. Al-le-lu-ia.

**GOSPEL** **P** The Gospel is written in John chapter 1 beginning at verse 29. **C**  
**Glory to You, O Lord.**

*John the Baptist's witness to Jesus initiates a chain of testimony as his disciples begin to share with others what they have found.*

**P** John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the

Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

### **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven,**

**And sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From thence He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

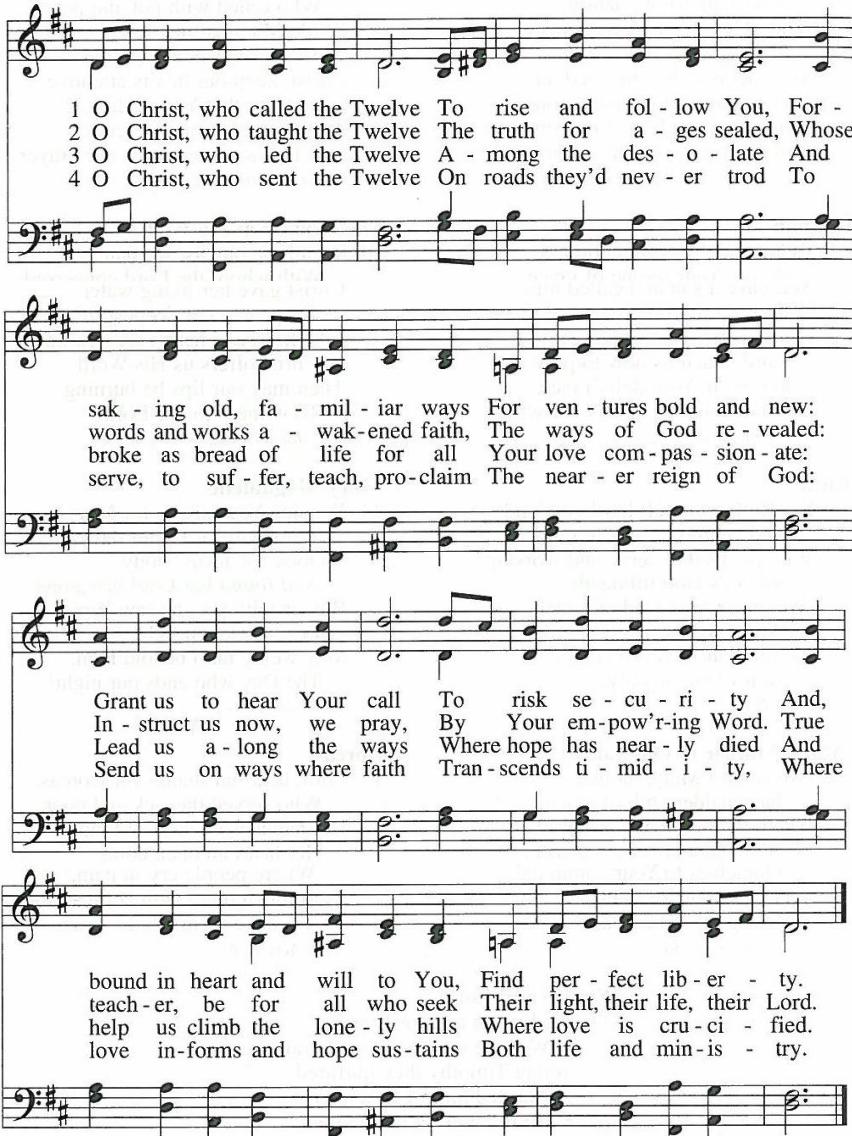
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **MESSAGE**

Stand

**HYMN**

**"O Christ, Who Called the Twelve" LSB 856**



5 O Christ, th'apostles' Lord,  
The martyrs' strength and song,  
The crucified and risen King  
To whom the saints belong:

Though generations pass,  
Our tribute still we bring,  
Our hymns a sacrifice of praise,  
Our lives an offering.

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle, Jr., b. 1923

Tune: English; adapt. Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852-1930; setting: Stanley Oliver, 1892-1964

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*Matt. 10:1-42; Matt. 4:18-22*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

**P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*Other prayers are inserted here. Each petition ends with "Lord, in your mercy," to which the congregation responds, "hear our prayer." The prayers conclude:*

**P** Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C** **Amen.**

*Sit*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SERVICE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### OFFERING

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Give Now

#### OFFERTORY MUSIC AND PRAYER \*

C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me.  
Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take not your  
Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -  
store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -  
hold me with your free Spir - it.



**P** Let us pray. Gracious and loving God,

**C** we bring to your table these gifts of your creation and fruits of our labor for your use in the world. Receive them for the sake of Christ, who enlightens our lives and leads us to the feast now and forever.

## PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

**P** It is indeed right and salutary that we should ... and so we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

**J = 72-80**

**C** Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow-er and might.

Heav-en 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

**P** In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

**P** Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Recognizing that the church, and this congregation, are comprised of people from many cultures, languages, and backgrounds, please speak this prayer in the language or version closest to your heart.*

**C** 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

## LAMB OF GOD

*L = 48-52*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on

us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
 mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us  
 peace, grant us peace.

*Sit*

**THE DISTRIBUTION** You are invited to approach the altar to receive communion elements along with an individual cup of wine or grape juice. Gluten-free available.

**HYMN** “Will You Come and Follow Me” ELW 798

1 “Will you come and fol - low me if I but call  
 2 “Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call  
 3 “Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call  
 4 “Will you love the you - you hide if I but call  
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call  
 your name? Will you go where you don't  
 your name? Will you care for cruel and  
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners  
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -  
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low.”

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know and nev - er be the same?  
 kind and nev - er be the same?  
 free and nev - er be the same?  
 side and nev - er be the same?  
 you and nev - er be the same.

Will you let my love be shown, will you let my life at -  
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -  
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as  
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the  
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and

name be known, will you let my life be  
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer  
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I  
 world a - round, through my sight touch and  
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and

grown in you and you in me?"  
 pray'r in you and you in me?"  
 mean in you and you in me?"  
 sound in you and you in me?"  
 grow in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: Scottish traditional

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*Stand*

## THE BLESSING

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C** Amen.

## POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE AND PRAYER

**J = 104-112**

**C** Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise;

tell ev - 'ry-one what God has done.

Let all who seek the

Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.  
 Send us with your prom-is - es, O God, and lead us forth in  
 joy with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

**P** Let us pray. O God of love, you have graciously fed us with the body and blood of your Son. Let this holy food empower us, that your dawn may break forth as we give ourselves to the hungry and to those who thirst for righteousness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **C Amen.**

**P** Go in peace; serve the Lord. **C Thanks be to God.**

## CLOSING HYMN “O Jesus King of Glory”

*harmonized for part-singing*

1) O Je - sus, King of glo - ry, Both Da - vid's Lord and  
 2) The east - ern sa - ges, kneel - ing, Their rich - est trib - utes  
 3) You are a might - y mon - arch, As by Your Word is  
 4) Yet You are deck'd with beau - ty, With rays of glo - rious

son! Your realm en - dures for - ev - er, In heav - en  
 bring, Where wit - ness - ing Your glo - ry, They wor - ship  
 told, Yet You care ver - y lit - tle For earth - ly  
 light; Your works pro - claim Your good - ness, And all Your

5) Oh, look on me with pit-y  
 Though I am weak and poor;  
 Ad-mit me to Your king-dom  
 To dwell there, blest and sure.  
 I pray, Lord, guide and keep me  
 Safe from my bit-ter foes,  
 From sin and death and Sa-tan;  
 Free me from all my woes.

6) Then let Your Word with-in me  
 Shinc as the fair-est star,  
 Your reign of love re-veal-ing  
 How won-der-ful You are.  
 Help me con-fess You tru-ly  
 And with Your Chris-ten-dom  
 Here own Your King and Savior  
 With all the world to come.

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Martin Behm, 1606  
 tr. C. Winkworth, 1863, alt.

Source: LW 79;  
 TLH 130, alt.

Tune: Valet will ich dir geben  
 Melchior Teschner, 1613

## POSTLUDE

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### Our Confession about Communion

1. Holy Communion is a divinely instituted act in which Jesus Christ gives His true (real) body and blood under the forms of bread and wine. We thus hold that the bread and wine are not mere symbols of Jesus' body and blood. When we receive the bread and wine, we receive in fact the body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of sins.

2. We believe that Communion is a celebration of this forgiveness which comes to us through faith as we eat and drink. In communion we remember our Lord's passion and death, His resurrection and ascension, and the promise of His coming again. Communion is truly the Gospel made visible and is offered for those who "hunger and thirst after righteousness."

3. We believe that as we eat and drink this Supper we are strengthened in our faith in Jesus Christ and in our love for one another.

Therefore, we invite to the Lord's Table all who:

a. has been instructed in the meaning of Communion; have been baptized in the name of the Triune God; have received Jesus Christ as their own personal and living Savior and Lord and concur in our confession.

b. is not living in open rebellion against the Word of God, and do not hold willful and persistent form of hatred, resentment or anger against any other person.

Those who have questions about communion are welcome to talk to one of the Pastors.

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