

Welcome To Worship

3rd Sunday after Epiphany



January 25th, 2026



First
Presbyterian
CROOKSTON, MN.



PRELUDE MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Children of God, when fears press in on every side, we can proclaim with confidence:

God is our light and salvation! Whom shall we fear?

When our problems overwhelm us and we feel pressed in on every side, we can declare with confidence:

God is the stronghold of our lives! Of whom shall we be afraid?

No matter the troubles we face, we seek after God and to live in the house of God forever.

God shelters and protects us in the day of trouble.

Come, let us worship God with joy, for God is our light and salvation!

We come to worship as bearers of the Light. Thanks be to God! Amen.

OPENING HYMN: **#749** *“Come Live in the Light” (Vs. 1 & 3)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy Christ,

we come to You knowing that we have fallen away from your intentions for us.

We have followed the paths of greed and envy, turned away from our brothers and sisters in need in order to satisfy our own desires.

You gave your life for us,

and yet we are willing to give so little at times.

Forgive us for not understanding that You laid down your life for us.

Forgive us for not recognizing the sacrifice of love,
to live for others instead of ourselves.
Call us back to repent and return to the kingdom of God.
In your precious name, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Christ continues to lay down his life for us,
so that we might have life.
Christ continues to show us the way,
so that we might live into the truth and the life.
Christ continues to love us,
so that we might love God and love our neighbors as ourselves.
Know that you are forgiven, loved, and given new life. Amen.

RESPONSE HYMN: **#192** *“Shine Jesus Shine” (Vs. 1)*

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST (Responsive)

The Peace of Christ be with you! **And Also, with you!**
Let us share a sign of God’s peace with one another.

SPECIAL MUSIC: *Bell Choir*

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Holy God, **our hope and strength, by the power of your Spirit
prepare the way in our hearts for the coming of your Word,
so that we may see the glorious signs of your promise fulfilled;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE

Reading #1.....Isaiah 9: 1-4
Reading #2.....1 Corinthians 1: 10-18
Gospel Reading.....Matthew 4: 12-23

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God. **All: Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE

Ryan Ferwerda

MOMENT OF REFLECTION

HYMN OF REFLECTION: **#721** *“Lord You Have Come to the Lakeshore”*

PRAYERS & GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

LORD’S PRAYER (forgive us our “sins”)

BLESSING AND CHARGE (Responsive)

Beloved children of God receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the blessing of the Lord forever.

Alleluia! Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: **#634** *“To God Be the Glory”*

BENEDICTION

God is our light, our hope, our all in all:
Blessed be God, now and forever!

Christ is our home, our life, our joy:
Blessed be God, now and forever!

Our worship concludes; our service continues.
Blessed be God, now and forever!

DISMISSAL (Responsive)

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

POSTLUDE *(Please stay seated and enjoy the music from our talented musicians)*



HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!

January 25th- February 1st, 2026

Sunday- January 25th, 2026

10:45 am Worship

11:45 am Coffee Fellowship and Session

Message.....Ryan Ferwerda

Ushers & Greeters.....Gordy & Monica Terpstra

Pianist.....Hazel Mendez

Music Director.....Sandy Perkins

Reader.....Lynne Mullins

Wednesday- January 28th, 2026

6:00pm – Bell Choir

Thursday- January 29th, 2026

1:00pm - Bible Study at Trinity Lutheran in Library

Next Sunday- February 1st, 2026

10:45 am Worship

11:45 am Coffee Fellowship

Message.....Mike Ozaki

Ushers & Greeters.....Wally Hoselton & Craig Morgan

Pianist.....George French

Music Director.....Sandy Perkins

Reader.....Lynne Mullins

Communion Server.....Gary Hoerner

Communion Preparer.....Marlys M.



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DIRECTIONS:
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vocabulary words in
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and diagonally.

Epiphany

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BAPTISM
BETHLEHEM
CASPAR
CHRISTIAN
EPIPHANY
FEAST
FIRST MIRACLE
FRANKINCENSE
GOLD
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January

BIRTHDAYS

Jan 6th ~ Sandy Perkins

*Jan 7th ~ Phylis
Harrington-Anderson*

Jan 16th ~ Taylor Folkers

Jan 31st ~ Isabella Kopecky

*Wishing you a day as bright and
beautiful as your smile.*