

Mountain View United Church
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Words of Welcome

God is good, **all the time...** all the time, **God is good.**

Announcements

Hymn: Jesus, Come to Our Hearts VU 324

- 1 Jesus, come to our hearts like falling rain; come to refresh, come to renew, wash all our sins away.
- 2 Spirit, come to our hearts like rushing wind; come with your fire, come with your life, blow all our doubts away.
- 3 Come, God, come to our hearts like shining sun; come to reveal, lighten your Word, drive all our gloom away.

- 4 Glory be to the Lamb that once was slain; praise for his life, praise for his death, praise that he lives again.
- 5 Praises be to our God, the three in one; praise for the sun, praise for the wind, praise for the falling rain.

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

We anticipated God's light. He gave us a star and that star led us to the light of the world; a small child swaddled in a manger. His light will grow, his light will spread, and his light will become our life's vision.

Call to Worship:

Listen to me, O coastlands, and give attention, you peoples from afar: The Lord called His Servant from the womb to be a light to the nations.

Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

Come, let us worship the One who was chosen before birth, who brings salvation to the ends of the earth.

We come to follow Jesus, the Messiah, and abide with Him.

As He walks, we walk, as he teaches we listen.

Let us worship God together!

Where Are We: Second Sunday after Epiphany

Opening Prayer:

Gracious God, in Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, You have revealed Your salvation reaching to the ends of the earth. Open our eyes to behold Your glory, our hearts to follow where He leads, and our voices to praise Your holy name. We gather as Your people, called to be a light in the world, trusting in Your faithful promise. In the name of Jesus, our Redeemer, we pray. Amen.

Hymn: Jesus, Priceless Treasure

VU 667

1. Jesus, priceless treasure, source of purest pleasure, truest friend to me; long my heart hath panted, till it well-nigh fainted, thirsting after thee. Thine I am, O spotless Lamb, I will suffer nought to hide thee, ask for nought beside thee.
- 2 In thine arm I rest me; foes who would oppress me cannot reach me here. Though the earth be shaking, every heart be quaking, God dispels our fear; sin and hell in conflict fell with their heaviest storms assail us: Jesus will not fail us.

- 3 Hence, all thoughts of sadness! For the Lord of gladness, Jesus, enters in: those who love the Father, though the storms may gather, still have peace within; yea, whate'er we here must bear, still in thee lies purest pleasure, Jesus, priceless treasure!

Children's Song:

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands (vs 1,2,5)

1. He's got the whole world in His hands. He's got the whole world in His hands. He's got the whole world in His hands. He's got the whole world in His hands.
2. He's got the little tiny baby in His hands. He's got the little tiny baby in His hands. He's got the little tiny baby in His hands. He's got the whole world in His hands.
5. He's got ev'rybody here in His hands. He's got ev'rybody here in His hands. He's got ev'rybody here in His hands. He's got the whole world in His hands.

Children's Ministry

Ministry of Music

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, You sent Your Servant as a light to the nations, yet we have hidden our light under fear and indifference. You gave us the Lamb who takes away the sin of the world, but we have clung to our sins, failing to recognize Him when He comes among us. Forgive us, O Lord. Cleanse us by the blood of the Lamb and renew us to follow Him faithfully. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

Scripture

Isaiah 49:1-7 read by Joan Peddle

Listen to me, you islands; hear this, you distant nations: Before I was born the Lord called me; from my mother's womb he has spoken my name. He made my mouth like a sharpened sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me into a polished arrow and concealed me in his quiver. He said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will display my splendor."

But I said, "I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing at all. Yet what is due me is in the Lord's hand, and my reward is with my God."

And now the Lord says - he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him and gather Israel to himself, for I am honored in the eyes of the Lord and my God has been my strength - he says: “It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.”

This is what the Lord says - the Redeemer and Holy One of Israel - to him who was despised and abhorred by the nation, to the servant of rulers: “Kings will see you and stand up, princes will see and bow down, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

John 1:29-42 read by Rev. Jacob Shaw

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is the one I meant when I said, ‘A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel.”

Then John gave this testimony: “I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, ‘The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’ I have seen and I testify that this is God’s Chosen One.”

The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, “Look, the Lamb of God!” When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, “What do you want?” They said, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?” “Come,” he replied, “and you will see.” So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon.

Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, “We have found the Messiah” (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas” (which, when translated, is Peter).

Reflection

Hymn: Just As I Am

VU 508

1. Just as I am, without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
2. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight, riches, healing of the mind, yea, all I need, in thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
3. Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
4. Just as I am, thy love unknown has broken every barrier down; now to be thine, yea, thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Invitation to Share Offering

Musical Offering

Offertory Prayer:

God of all nations, You appointed Your Servant to bring salvation to the ends of the earth, making Him a light for all peoples. In gratitude for the Lamb who takes away our

sin, we offer these gifts—our tithes, our talents, and our lives. Multiply them for Your kingdom's work, that Your glory may be displayed among all nations. We present them in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Offering of Personal Prayers to God

Lord's Prayer

Hymn: You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

VU 210

- 1 You, Lord, are both lamb and shepherd. You, Lord, are both prince and slave. You, peacemaker and sword-bringer of the way you took and gave. You, the everlasting instant; you, whom we both scorn and crave.
- 2 Clothed in light upon the mountain, stripped of might upon the cross, shining in eternal glory, beggared by a soldier's toss. You, the everlasting instant; you who are both gift and cost.
- 3 You, who walk each day beside us, sit in power at God's side. You, who preach a way that's narrow, have a love that reaches wide. You, the

everlasting instant; you, who are our pilgrim guide.

- 4 Worthy is our earthly Jesus! Worthy is our cosmic Christ! Worthy your defeat and victory. Worthy still your peace and strife. You, the everlasting instant; you, who are our death and life.

Spoken Benediction

Go forth as those who have beheld the Lamb of God. The Lord who called His Servant from the womb now sends you as lights to the nations. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Messiah who takes away the sin of the world, the love of God who redeems and restores, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit who draws us to follow, be with you now and always. Amen.

Benediction: Gloria

VU37

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia. Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! Glory to God, glory to God, hallelujah, hallelujah!

Postlude † † † † † † † † † † † † † †

Announcements

This Week at Mountain View

Today: Coffee & Conversation

It's Birthday Sunday! Join us after service for some fellowship and cake to celebrate.

Tues: Bible Study 1:00pm Sanctuary

Weds: Choir Practice 7:00pm Sanctuary

Please have your Annual Reports emailed to the office by January 21, 2025.

Puzzle Day - Saturday, January 24th 10 am-2 pm

If you like to put jigsaw puzzles together, why not come along to the church to put a puzzle together with a friend or group of friends? Maximum of 4 people to a puzzle. Muffins, tea, coffee, cold drinks will be available. Good will offering at the door. Register on the chart in the Narthex or call the office.

Annual Meeting – Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 22, 2026.

Scripture Readers – we are always looking for scripture readers to participate during worship service. Please sign up in the Narthex if you can participate in this way.

If you or you know someone that would like a home or hospital visit from Rev. Shaw please contact the church office. Please note that due to hospital policy, Rev. Shaw is unable to visit patients without an express request from the patient or their next-of-kin. Home visits and/or phone calls can also be arranged by advising the office.

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