

## MORNING WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Eleven O'Clock

January 11, 2026

### Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Elder James Lyle

*God Calls Us to Praise Him*

*Psalm 27:1-4, 6*

Pastor: The Lord is my light and my salvation—

**People: Whom shall I fear?**

Pastor: The Lord is the stronghold of my life—

**People: Of whom shall I be afraid?**

Pastor: When evil men advance against me to devour my flesh,

**People: When my enemies and my foes attack me, they will stumble and fall.**

Pastor: Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear;

**People: Though war break out against me, even then will I be confident.**

Pastor: One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek:

**People: That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek Him in His temple.**

Pastor: At His tabernacle will I sacrifice with shouts of joy;  
I will sing and make music to the Lord.

**All: Glory be to the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.**

Hymn\* *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* No. 76

*God Calls Us to Confess Our Sins* *Hebrews 10:22*

Let us draw near to God with sincerity of heart and full assurance of faith, our guilty hearts sprinkled clean, our bodies washed with pure water.

**The Responsive Confession of Sin** **The Congregation**

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, we are not worthy to be in the presence of our holy God. But he has promised that if we confess our sins, he will forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. So let us confess our sins to him.

**People:** Merciful Father, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We confess that so often we think, speak, and behave as if your abiding presence makes no difference in our lives. We fail to trust that he is present and at work in all our circumstances. Lord, forgive us, and restore to us the joy of your salvation.

Pastor: Let us rejoice! God holds the cross of his Son before us and assures us that our sins have been forgiven through his atoning sacrifice.

*God Calls Us to Give to His Kingdom Work*

**The Offertory** Karin Lyle

**Doxology\*** *Old Hundredth* No. 731

*God Calls Us to Pray to Him*

**Anthem** Karin Lyle

**The Heidelberg Catechism** Question and Answer 21

What is true faith?

True faith is not only a sure knowledge by which I hold as true all that God has revealed to us in Scripture; it is also a wholehearted trust, which the Holy Spirit creates in me by the gospel, that God has freely granted, not only to others but to me also, forgiveness of sins, eternal righteousness, and salvation. These are gifts of sheer grace, granted solely by Christ's merit.

Hymn of Praise\* *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* No. 528

*God Calls Us to Receive His Word* *James 1:1-12*

**The Sermon** "Real Faith Really Works" Pastor Ed Olson

1. Count It All Joy!

**The Hymn\*** *Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord* No. 465

**Benediction\***

**Postlude\***

\*Congregation standing

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**Remember in Prayer:**

**Ed and Connie Olson:** Continued travel mercies for them, and for a time for healing and sharing with the family.

**Joe and Jayna Johnson (and Daughters, Verity and Eve):** As Joe continues his examination process by Highlands Presbytery, and prepares for relocation to our state and county.

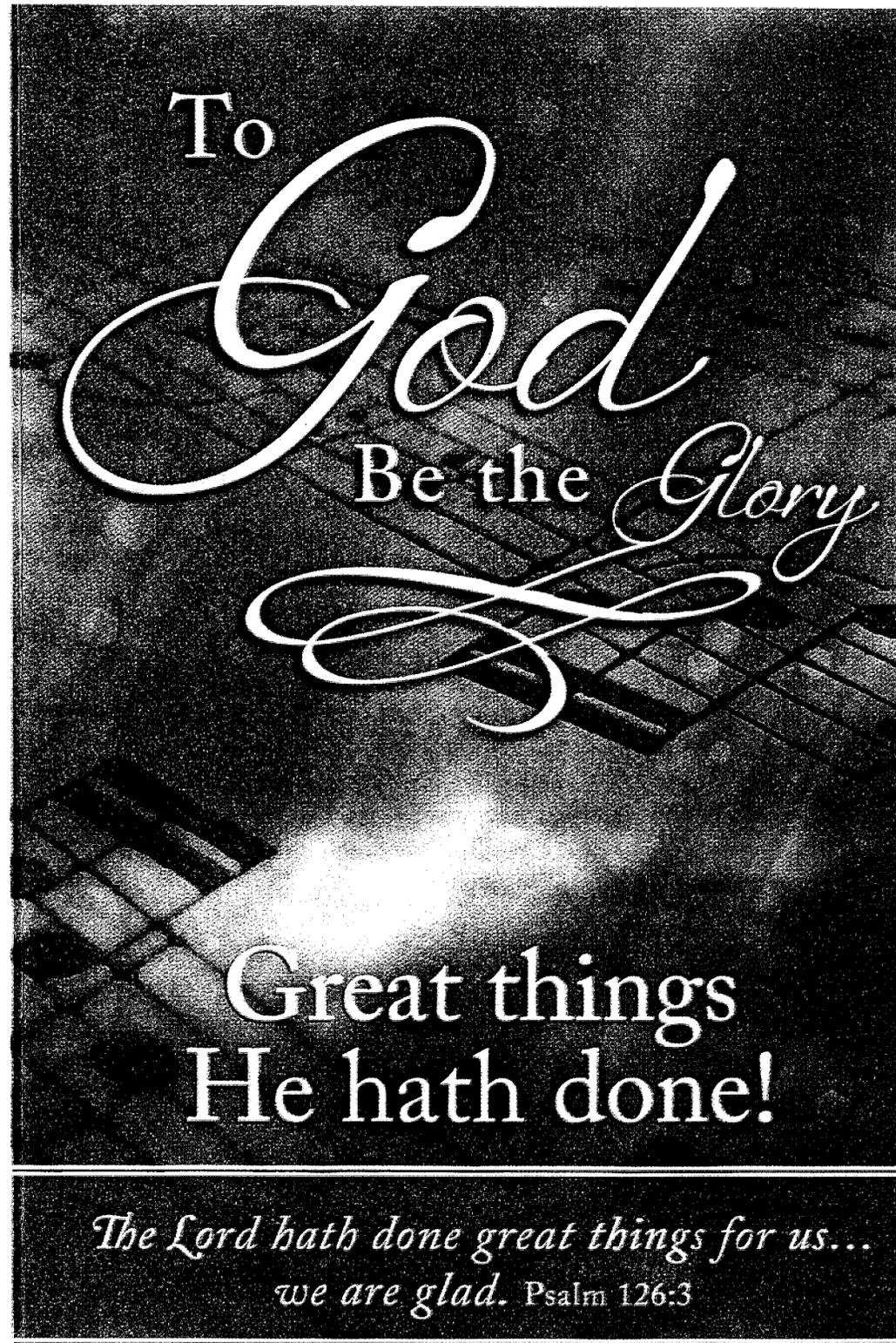
**Missionaries of the Week:**

**Richard & Betty Aschmann:** Pray for them and their work in Quito, Ecuador.

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**Congregational Meeting:** The Session of Covenant Presbyterian Church is calling for a congregational meeting next Sunday, immediately after morning worship for the purpose of presenting the budget for 2026, In case of inclement weather the alternate date for the meeting will be January 25th.

**Love the LORD, all his faithful people!  
The LORD preserves those who are true to him,  
but the proud he pays back in full.  
Be strong and take heart, all you  
who hope in the LORD.  
--Psalm 31:23-24**



*The Lord hath done great things for us...  
we are glad. Psalm 126:3*