

## Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 25, 2026

10:30AM

*Welcome to Worship at Memorial United Methodist Church.*

*Please sign the blue attendance pads in the pews, and  
please include contact information if you are a visitor.*

Music to Center Ourselves *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus* (Hayes)

Welcome to Worship and The Wave

### \*Call to Worship

Friends of God, today Jesus calls to each of us: "Come! Follow me!"

**The kingdom of heaven has come near.**

Some say, "But we are walking in darkness."

**In Christ, we have seen God's light. The kingdom of heaven  
has come near.**

Some say, "But divisions tear us apart."

**In Christ we are united in mind and purpose.**

The kingdom of heaven has come near.

Friends of God, today we gather to worship God and to follow Jesus.

**The kingdom of heaven has come near.**

\*Hymn *Soon and Very Soon* UMH 706

Responsive reading Psalm 27:1, 4-9 John Myers

\*Gospel reading Matthew 4:12-23

Hymn *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* UMH 206

### Children's Time

Message Pastor Terri Branstrom

\*Hymn *Step By Step*

### Offering Our Gifts and Commitments

**Offertory** *I Surrender All* (Kim)

Ushers will pass the offering plates to receive today's offering and any prayer requests (please write requests on the green cards found in the pews). You may also make financial contributions on the square reader in the fellowship area, or online on our website.

\*Doxology: *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 95

\*Offering Prayer

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

\*Closing Song *Shine, Jesus, Shine* TFWS 2173

\*Departing Blessing

Music for Going Forth *Onward, Christian Soldiers* (Smith)

\* The asterisk indicates times in worship where we're invited to stand.

*Please join us after worship for coffee and conversation.*

### Assisting Today

Altar Guild: Chris Morrow and Robyn Casey

Counters: Chris Morrow and Laurie Kaufman de la Garza

Projection: Dylan and Denise Messina

Snacks: Val Johnson

Greeters and Ushers: Carol Borden and John Myers

MONDAY 5:30 Bible Study

WEDNESDAY *Newsletter deadline*

9:00 Knitting and Crocheting

6:00 Band practice

7:00 Choir practice

NEXT SUNDAY 10:30 Worship

FEB. 8 10:30 Jersey Sunday

FEB. 14 1:00 Listening Session about Camp Michigamme

FEB. 18 7:00 Ash Wednesday service

**Please sign up on the bulletin board to**

- teach Sunday School
- read scripture
- be an usher & greeter
- bring a snack on Sunday morning
- serve communion

We also welcome people to shadow the Messina's upstairs to learn how to run the projection and live streaming.

**Jersey Sunday** On Feb. 8, you are invited to wear your favorite Jersey to church. It can be for any sport / any team (Little League to professional).

**Camp Michigamme** There will be a Listening Session with Pastor Eric Faulker to hear ideas on the future of Camp Michigamme on **Saturday, Feb. 14**, from **1:00 – 3:00** here at Memorial UMC. More information is on the small bulletin board.

**Phil Lynch** will debut his new album, *Growing, Older: Songs for the Second Act*, with a free **concert on Friday, Feb. 20** at 7:00 PM at First Presbyterian Church, Escanaba.

While admission is free, a free-will offering will be collected to benefit Tri-County Safe Harbor, the local domestic abuse shelter serving Delta, Menominee, and Schoolcraft Counties.

The evening will feature piano-driven, storytelling songs that reflect on life, faith, time, and the experience of growing older with gratitude and hope. All are welcome and heartily invited.



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## Prayer List

### New Concerns

Judy Tjepkema  
Bernice Paulson  
Barb & Jack Lehman  
Mike Boudreau  
All people being illegally detained and deported.  
Ryan Minor

### Recent Concerns

Family of Renee Nicole Good  
Family of Annette Vanderberg

### Ongoing Concerns

Lorna Benson	Beth and Sarah Benson
Kim Bessonon	Claire Burton
Tom and Alice Butch	Pat Clark
Patty Delveaux	Richard Demeuse
Bette DeRoeck	Adam Haberstitch
Terry Hampton	Lettie Houghton
Ron Houle	Berta Johnson
Christopher Lund	Toni Marchese
Beverly Martin	David McCarley
Jeanette Mineau	Betty Nyquist
Josiah Pryor	John Rector
Elizabeth Peltz Richardson	Debbie Rosen
Lisa Richer Barta	Leona Williams
Mark West	Brian Wood

### **Memorial United Methodist Church**

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