

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 18, 2026

With love, we welcome our guest accompanist,
Susan Stedman.

PRELUDE "How Brightly Shines The Morning Star" J.C. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Children of God, who has God called you to be?

People: A light to all the nations!

Leader: When confusion, disunity, and misinformation threaten to undo us, who are you called to be?

People: A light to all the nations!

Leader: When wars and rumors of wars in our communities and around the world overwhelm us, who are you called to be?

People: A light to all the nations!

Leader: When the vulnerable are left without care or hope for flourishing, who are you called to be?

People: A light to all the nations!

Leader: Come! Let us worship God, who gives us as a light of good news to all the nations!

People: We come to worship God, who calls us and equips us to reflect God's glory and abundant life into all the world. Amen.

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OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN "Christ Is Made The Sure Foundation" UMH 559

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH UMH 881

*GLORIA PATRI UMH 71

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word

proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 NT – page 155

ANTHEM (11 A.M. only) "Look At The World" J. Rutter
Chancel Choir

CHILDREN'S SERMON

CHILDREN DISMISSED TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH as we sing:
This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine, (repeat x3)
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine! UMH 585

SERMON "As You Wait" Reverend Ed Priestaf

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORSHIP IN TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory "I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light" K.Thomerson

* DOXOLOGY No. 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia!
Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up lifts! Praise
the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*HYMN "Christ For The World We Sing" UMH 568

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION SONG (8:45 A.M. only)

POSTLUDE "Christ Is The World's Light" tune: Christe Sanctorum

*Please Stand As You Are Able

THE ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given in loving memory of Tom Alexander by Barbara, Corey, Seth, Josh, Jessica, Claire and Paige.

THIS WEEK AT LONG MEMORIAL UMC:

Sunday: 8:45 A.M. - Early Church - Chapel
11:00 A.M. – Worship – Sanctuary

Monday: Church Office Closed

Tuesday: 6:00 P.M. – Church Council & Staff – Harris Hall

Handbell Choir Wednesday 6 P.M.

Chancel Choir Wednesday 7:00 P.M.

PRAYER LIST: Harriett Tillett, Susie Andrews Ainsworth, Lois Winstead, Linda & Eddie Bridges, Phyllis Tuck, Norma Sabiston, Jean Andrews, Mike Wrenn, Bob Morningstar.

A nursery (located in front of the church office) is available. Parents – please set your phones on vibrate and leave your cell number with the nursery attendants so that if you are needed you can be reached.

This Week's Scripture

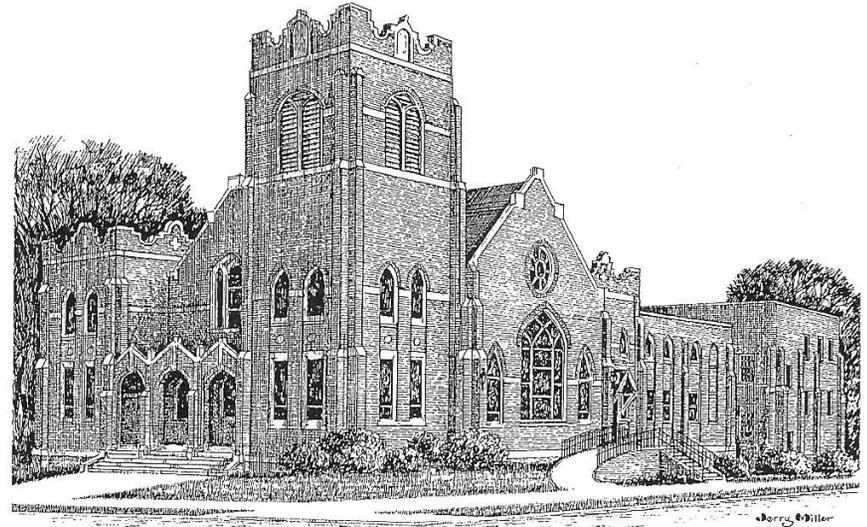
Isaiah 49:1-7
Psalm 40:1-11
I Corinthians 1:1-9
John 1:29-42

Next Week's Scripture

Isaiah 9:1-4
Psalm 27: 1, 4-9
I Corinthians 1:10-18
Matthew 4:12-23

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For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.
John 3:16

*Our Mission Is To Make Disciples Of Jesus
For The Reformation Of The World*

Leader: This Is The Day The Lord Hath Made
People: Let Us Rejoice And Be Glad In It.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
We welcome you to Long Memorial United Methodist Church! It is our sincere desire that your worship time with us will be enjoyable and edifying. If you are interested in learning more about our community please see the "visitor" section of this bulletin.