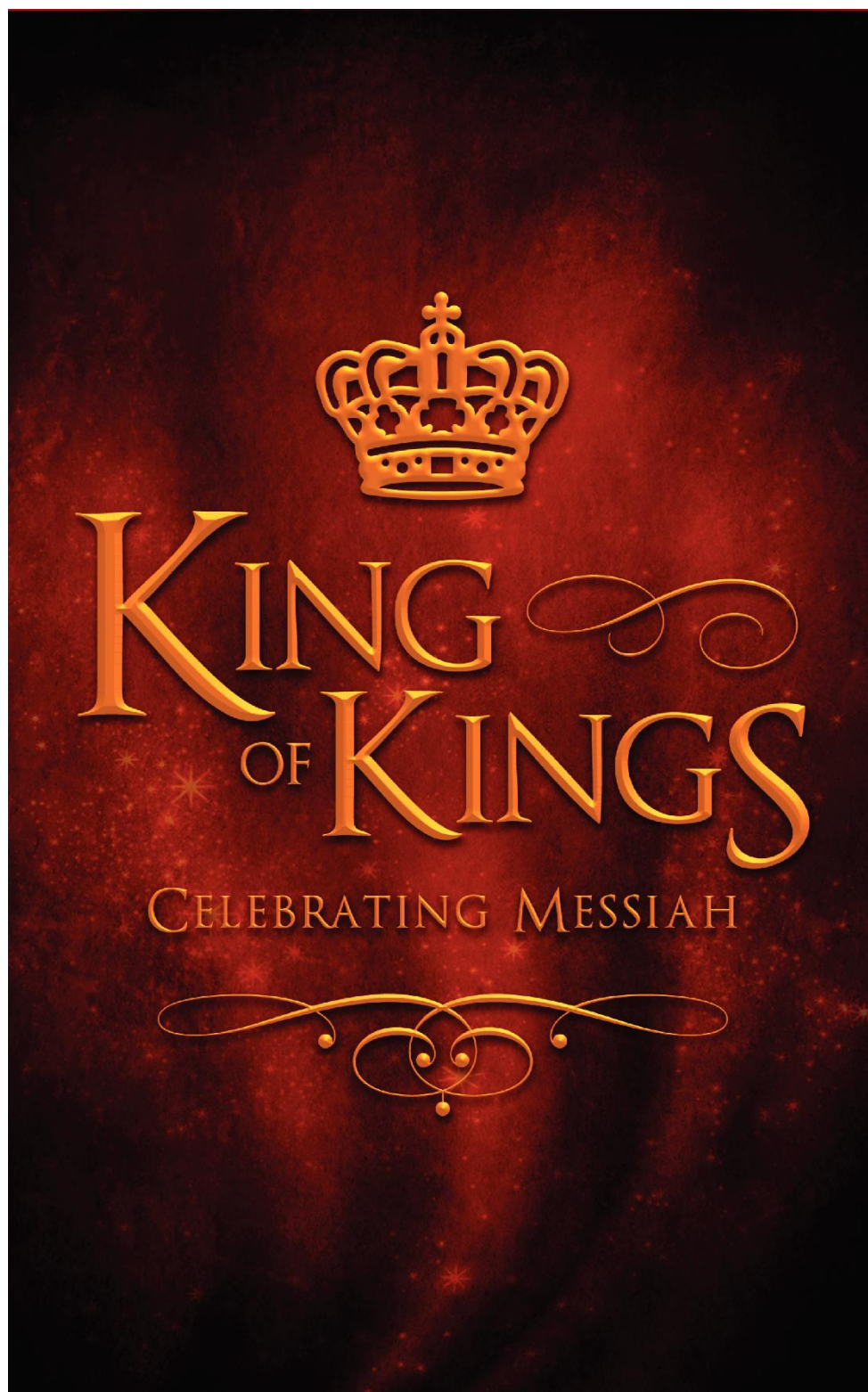




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December 28, 2025 | 10:45am

WORSHIP TO THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

CALL TO WORSHIP – Luke 2:30–32

“For my eyes have seen your salvation that you have prepared
in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and for glory to your people Israel.”

*HYMNS OF ADORATION “Joy to the World!” (No. 170)

“God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen”

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

ADVENT CANDLES: “**THE PROPHECIES OF REDEMPTION**”

CANDLE 3: LIGHT CANDLE

Lighting of the candles

Readings: Isaiah 60:1–5

Elder Prayer for Widows

*HYMN OF GRACE “As with Gladness, Men of Old”

PRAISES & REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*SCRIPTURE READING **Philippians 3:12–21** (p.1249)

**PRAYER OF ENLIGHTENMENT

MESSAGE **No Reserves, No Retreats and No Regrets**

*HYMN OF FAITH “In Christ Alone”

BENEDICTION

*HYMN OF SENDING “Go Tell It on the Mountain”
(No. 176, chorus only)

*Please stand as you are able

**Children's worship is available age 4 through 1st grade

December 28, 2025

"Jesus Christ for Western Beaver County"

Songs for Worship

1 | Joy to the World (No. 170)

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come!

Let earth receive her King
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room,
And heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

2. Joy to the earth The Savior reigns!

Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

3. No more let sins and sorrows grow,

Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.

4. He rules the world with truth and grace,

And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love, And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love.

3 | As With Gladness Men of Old

1. As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold;

as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright;
so, most gracious God, may we evermore be led to thee.

2. As with joyful steps they sped to that lowly cradle bed,

there to bend the knee before him whom heav'n and earth adore;
so may we with willing feet ever seek thy mercy seat.

3. As they offered gifts most rare at that cradle rude and bare;

so may we with holy joy, pure, and free from sin's alloy,
all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav'nly King.

4. Holy Jesus, ev'ry day keep us in the narrow way;

and when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last
where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.

5. In the heav'nly country bright need they no created light;

thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down;
there forever may we sing alleluias to our King.

5 | Go Tell It On The Mountain

Go tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and ev'ry-where
Go tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born!

2 | God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

1. God rest you merry gentlemen, let nothing you dismay
remember Christ our Savior was born on Christmas day,
to save us all from Satan's pow'r when we were gone astray;

***Chorus - O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy,
O tidings of comfort and joy.***

2. From God our heav'nly Father, a blessed angel came;
and unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same:
how that in Bethlehem was born the Son of God by name,

Chorus

3. Fear not, then said the angel, let nothing you affright;
this day is born a Savior of a pure virgin bright,
to free all those who trust in him from Satan's pow'r and might.

Chorus

4. The shepherds at those tidings rejoiced much in mind,
and left their flocks a feeding, in tempest, storm, and wind,
and went to Bethlehem straight-way, the Son of God to find.

Chorus

4 | In Christ Alone

1. In Christ alone my hope is found,

He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone, who took on flesh,

Fullness of God in helpless Babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
'til on the cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied.
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

3. There in the ground His body lay,

Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine,
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death,

This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
'til He returns or calls me home,
here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

This Week

Welcome

Welcome to worship. We are pleased you chose to worship with us today. If you have any questions about God, the Bible, or our church, or would just like to say hello, please talk with Pastor Jeff.

Nursery is available. See or call JoAnna with any questions. 724-601-7153.

- **Children's Worship**, led by Naomi Shepler & Helper Bethany Forton

The Lord's Day

9:30am – Sunday Education Hour

Sunday School opens at 9:30am in the sanctuary.

Sunday School Superintendent: Kara Masters

Kids and Youth Classes

Toddlers thru K: Room LL 203 Marie Fowler,
Diane Justice & Marci Thoman

1st thru 3rd: Room LL204 - Linda D'Angelo
& Jodi Billheimer

4th thru 5th: Room LL304 Kara Masters
& Joanna Zehnder

6th thru 8th: Basement Library – Heidi Shepler

9th thru 12th: Youth Room – Josiah Forton

Advent Adult Class

Grasping Jesus' First Advent with Pastor Emeritus Ric Raines
| Fellowship Hall

Communicant's Class (6th-12th grade) with Pastor Jeff |
Conference Room (by kitchen)

Sunday Worship

10:45am Fifth Advent Morning Worship – Welcome Rev. Jim Smith who will be joining us as our preacher. Jim is a friend to Fairview. Give him and Linda a warm welcome. And a ready ear. "No Reserves, No Retreats, and No Regrets." (Philippians 3:12-21).

6pm Evening Worship – We are blessed to have Pastor Ric leading us this Sunday night. Come out and be blessed by musical worship, prayer, and a sermon from Scripture.

Monday

10am Bowling – at Walnut Lanes

Wednesday

Note: There are no kids or adult activities this Wednesday. These activities will resume on January 7, 2026 at 10am (Ladies Bible Study) and 6:30pm (Covenant Kids, the ROCK & Prayer & Study). Feel free to use this open time in the schedule to take the initiative to meet up with others of your church. Have someone over for a simple soup meal, or meet someone for coffee or dinner.

Thursday *Happy New Year!*

Next Sunday

9:30am Sunday Education Hour – Join us for the opening in the sanctuary, before heading to class.

10:45am Fifth Advent Morning Worship – Next week, we are blessed to have Pastor Ric leading us this Sunday Morning and preaching for our spiritual growth and provision. "Press on: Don't Look Back."

6pm Evening Worship – In evening worship, we gather for musical worship and a time of prayer. For the message, our own Director of Student Ministries, Josiah Forton, will be speaking on Psalm 110.

Two New Adult Classes

starting January 4, 2026

Ephesians – Led By Jeff Lyden - in the Kitchen.

The Book of Ephesians is a letter focusing on what God did through the historical work of Jesus Christ and does through his Spirit today in order to build His new society in the midst of the old. We'll consider this new community (Our Church) and how we should live in the world today.

How To Spot False Teaching: A Class in Biblical Discernment – led by John Gallo - in the Fellowship Hall.

Are you equipped to distinguish the voice of the Shepherd from the noise of modern culture? In an Era where "Christian-ish" messages permeate our social media feeds and popular bestsellers, biblical discernment is no longer optional – it is essential.

Join us for a new 8 week adult Sunday School series, "How to Spot False Teaching." This class is designed to help you navigate the complexities of the modern evangelical movement by sharpening your ability to compare popular trends against the unchanging Word of God. Our goal isn't just to be "against" error, but to be so deeply rooted in the Truth that the counterfeit becomes easy to spot. Whether you are a long-time believer or new to the faith, this class will provide the clarity needed to stand firm in your convictions.

Congregational Announcements

Thank You – The Missions Committee would like to express their gratitude to all who gave and prayed for this past year's Angel tree project. We were able to touch many lives with the love of Christ.

Thank You – We would like to thank everyone who used the church mail service and sent Christmas greetings to one another. We especially thank the youth group and others for sorting the cards and faithfully distributing them to the church mailcans.

Pastor Away – Pastor Jeff and his family will be away until January 3. If you have any needs, please contact one of the elders. Kevin Chaffee, Ben Hardesty, Jeff Lyden, Mark Oosting, Scott Shepler & Giles te Velde.

Ladies Bible Study – On Wednesday, January 7 at 10am the Ladies will be starting a new study on 1 & 2 Peter "Living Hope in a Hard World". As Christians, how do we make sense of suffering? And how do we deal with all of the tension that is in our world? A Peter writes his books, he points us to our God who works through suffering for his glory and the good of his people. We will see God's transformative power, His authority, the dangers of false teachers, and in both letters we see what holiness is and why it matters. Walking with Christ is costly, but it is so worth it. If you're looking to dive deep into God's word, please join us! 10am on Wednesdays in the kitchen. Babysitting available.

Ladies Bible Study Luncheon – After the Bible study on Wednesday, January 7 the ladies are invited to Linda Lyden's home for soup and sandwiches.

Installation of Officers and Celebration Luncheon – **Sunday, January 11, 2026.** New year, new things! In January, we will install our church officers during the 10:45am Worship Service. We will also be having a luncheon afterwards, for **two** purposes: (1) To honor Ron Freehauf, for his many years of service, who is now moving to Deacon Emeritus (!). Thanks Ron! And (2) To welcome all our new members from the Fall. We have had 5 new families join our church over the past seven months. Let us draw them into fellowship.

Ladies Activity Night! - Monday, January 12 at 6:30. We will learn how to make Evelyn Stewart's famous cinnamon rolls. This is not a difficult recipe so even if you're not a baker, you can do this! Come for fellowship and make cinnamon rolls to take home. Sign up in the vestibule and mark whether you want to pay \$5 for provided ingredients or bring your own. There is a corresponding supply list for both choices by the sign-up sheet.

Treasurers – All church treasurers are asked to turn in their books and reports to the church office by Wednesday, January 14, 2026. The auditors will go over the treasurer books and give a report to the Deacons by the end of the month. We want to thank the treasurers, auditors, and Deacons for their faithful work.

Mark your calendars! "Ladies Retreat" - February 27 & 28, 2026 at Fairview church. More details to come!

Snow Camp 2026,

"For freedom Christ has set us free"

For youth, 6th to 12th grade.

* When: February 13-15, 2026

* Where: Laurelville Retreat Center

* Late Registration - **\$150** January 1 until January 18, 2026

Camper registration

<https://ascensionpresbytery.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3130423>

YA-DULT Retreat 2026 – "A Weekend at the Movies" Feb. 27- March 1. At Laurelville Retreat Center. For 18-30(ish). Scan the QR code that is on the poster in the kitchen for more info. We get two speakers this year, team-teaching: Pastors Jeff Zehnder and Jon Price (Covenant Community). The topic: "Wisdom from Above" (James 3:13-18).

Fairview Food Pantry – For January, we would like to restock the shelves with Soups, Chunky soups, Crackers, Syrup, Spaghetti Sauce, Pasta, Oatmeal Packets, Sloppy Joe mix, Canned Ravioli, Ramen Noodle, etc.

Worship Helpers

Worship Leader.....	Jeff Lyden
Audio-Visual	Caleb Miller & Noah Oostsing
Musicians.....	Linda D'Angelo & Josiah Forton
Vocalist.....	Lindsey Hollabaugh
Children's Worship.....	Naomi Shepler & Bethany Forton
Nursery.....	Hannah & Grace Forton
Greeters.....	John & Bre Hooks & Family
Ushers	Brad Billheimer, Gideon te Velde Josiah te Velde & William Phillips

Next Week's Helpers

Worship Leader	Ben Hardesty
Audio-Visual.....	Noah Oosting & Grace Forton
Musicians.....	Linda D'Angelo, Josiah Forton & Kara Masters
Vocalist.....	Hannah Forton
Nursery.....	Diane Justice, Kristine Masters & Lydia Hardesty
Greeters.....	Giles & Charity te Velde Family
Ushers.....	Chase Thoman, Josh Chaffee Stephen Hapach & William Phillips

Sermon Notes

"No Reserves, No Retreats and No Regrets"

Philippians 3:12–21 (p.1249)

Rev. Jim Smith

Prayers & Praises

"Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep." (Romans 12:15)

"Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." (Galatians 6:2)

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