

February 15, 2026

**GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE**

PRELUDE

Prelude in C

WELCOME

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord is a refuge for the fearful, a stronghold in times of trouble.

**People: And those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek you.**

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells in Zion.

**People: Let us declare his deeds among the peoples**

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*SHARING GOD'S PEACE

\*HYMN #66

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God, you have intimately created and formed us, you know our sins and our darkness. We admit that we would rather be comfortable than to do your will. We often turn to objects and activities that distract us from who you have called us to be in our community. Let us hear your voice and extend grace to others as you have given grace to us. Lord, let your light shine and remove the darkness in the world. Let us reflect your presence in our lives.**

Leader: Let us continue our confession together in silence.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the good news! The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ is unending and knows no bounds. You have been washed clean by his love and mercy. Beloved, know you are reconciled and forgiven.

**People: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD**

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

FIRST READING

PSALM 41

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

**People: Thanks be to God**

ANTHEM

How Great Is Our God

SECOND READING

Matthew 16:24-17:8

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

**People: Thanks be to God**

SERMON

Changing and Growing

SILENT REFLECTION

**RESPONDING AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

\*HYMN #450

Be Thou My Vision

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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OFFERING O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

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\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**GOING IN GOD'S NAME**

\*CHARGE AND SENDING

POSTLUDE Oh When the Saints Go Marching In

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Ash Wednesday Service February 18 at 6:30pm

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CONGREGATIONAL  
MEETING

February 22nd  
10:35 AM

Following the service, we will  
have a brief congregational  
meeting to elect a new  
nominating committee,  
present the budget, and vote  
on the pastor's terms of call.

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Tiny Tunes music class with Emma Kate Lander  
Join us Wednesday mornings 9:30-10:30 ages 0 to 6  
Contact : [elanders@erpc.org](mailto:elanders@erpc.org) or 410-858-731



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March in the Avon City Market location.  
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