

Hope United Methodist Church

A Prayer of Renewal
Reverend Jeff Rainwater

Epiphany & Wesleyan
Covenant Renewal

January 4, 2026



**SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 2026
10:00 A.M. WORSHIP**

**EPIPHANY SUNDAY
COVENANT RENEWAL SUNDAY**



WE GATHER

PRELUDE

*Sleep, Dear Holy Baby
Pastorale*

Carson P. Cooman
Italian

Denise Lanning, guest organist

WELCOME & INVITATION TO GOD'S PRESENCE

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Carol Davenport

L: God of covenant and mercy, You call us into the new year with hope and intention.

P: **We come seeking Your vision and trusting Your promise.**

L: As Nehemiah turned to You in prayer, we come with open hearts.

P: **Renew us, restore us, and send us with purpose.**

All: Let us worship the God who builds, who calls, and who makes all things new.

***OPENING HYMN**

God of the Ages

UMH 698 vv. 1, 2, 4

WE RECEIVE GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SPECIAL MUSIC

Silent Night

arr. by Clark and Gilpin

Sandy Neely, Laurel Laumann & Craig Laumann

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Nehemiah 1:4-9; 2:1-6

Carol Davenport

MESSAGE

A Prayer of Renewal

Rev. Jeff Rainwater

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

RESPONSIVE HYMN

Lord, Speak to Me

UMH 463, vv. 1, 2, 5

OFFERTORY

Let Us Break Bread Together

arr. by Fred Offutt

Denise Lanning, guest organist

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 94

Today's altar flowers are from Kathy Hill in memory of our son, Clayton Hill, IV.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

L: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

P: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

L: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. ... in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

P: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

L: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, ... Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father now and forever.

P: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

RENEWING OUR COVENANT

I am no longer my own, but thine.

Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.

Put me to doing, put me to suffering.

Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee,
exalted for thee or brought low by thee.

Let me be full, let me be empty.

Let me have all things, let me have nothing.

I freely and heartily yield all things
to thy pleasure and disposal.

And now, O glorious and blessed God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.

And the covenant which I have made on earth,
let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

WE ARE SENT IN MISSION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CLOSING HYMN

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

UMH 117, vv. 1, 4, 6

*BENEDICTION

*MUSICAL BENEDICTION *God Be with You till We Meet Again*

UMH 672

POSTLUDE

Procession on "We Three Kings"

John Barr

Denise Lanning, guest organist

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Linda & Norm Bledsoe | Greeters
Carol Davenport | Liturgist
Ron Sauer | Sound
Jodie Senter | Slides
Scott Senter | Livestream

Larry Meerdink | Music Director
Cheryl Saborsky CAGO | Organist
Anne Rowland | Red Sea Youth Band
Craig Laumann | Chancel Bells
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Mark Ellis | Lead Usher
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Tom Lotko Patti Ord | Ushers
Jeanine Husa Moses Mboka Beth -
Aphorp Jason & Samantha Doering
Herb & Pam Casner | Communion
Guest Organist | Denise Lanning

We would like to express our extreme gratitude to those who help before, during, and after worship. We could not do this without you!

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