

Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church

A Global Methodist Church

January 18, 2026
Second Sunday after Epiphany



Welcome!

**Our Purpose is to make disciples of Jesus Christ;
Worship Passionately, Love Extravagantly,
Witness Boldly!**

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First Reading- 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, ² To the church of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be his holy people, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ—their Lord and ours: ³ Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. ⁵ For in him you have been enriched in every way—with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge— ⁶ God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you. ⁷ Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. ⁸ He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Reading- John 1:29-42

John Testifies About Jesus

²⁹ The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰ This is the one I meant when I said, ‘A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.’ ³¹ I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel.” ³² Then John gave this testimony: “I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. ³³ And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, ‘The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’ ³⁴ I have seen and I testify that this is God’s Chosen One.” ³⁵ The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. ³⁶ When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, “Look, the Lamb of God!” ³⁷ When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. ³⁸ Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, “What do you want?” They said, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?” ³⁹ “Come,” he replied, “and you will see.” So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon. ⁴⁰ Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. ⁴¹ The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, “We have found the Messiah” (that is, the Christ). ⁴² And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas” (which, when translated, is Peter).

Order of Worship

The Gathering!

Welcome, Announcements & Birthdays

Prelude - Prepare your hearts to worship God.

The Praise!

*Call to Worship

Scott Holden

I waited patiently for the Lord, He inclined to me and heard my cry.

He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

We come to follow Him and proclaim His grace.

Come, let us worship the one who calls us by name.

We lift our voices in praise to Jesus, the Lamb of God!

*Hymn of Praise

“Be Thou My Vision”

#49

Children’s Time

Sharing of Community Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Ron McDougald

The Offering!

*The Doxology

The Word!

*Prayer of 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.**

First Reading

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Bruce Nevels

*Hymn of Preparation

“I Love to Tell the Story”

#160

*Gospel Reading

John 1:29-42

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle’s Creed

#691

Sermon

“Come, You’ll See”

Rev. Ron McDougald

*Closing Hymn

“Jesus Calls Us”

#520

The Sending Forth!

*Choral Benediction “Blessed Be the Tie that Binds”

#405

**please stand if you are able*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please mark your attendance in the black fellowship folder at the end of each pew.

A Love Offering will be collected today and next Sunday to support Ryleigh Yates who was recently diagnosed with Leukemia.

Women's Methodist Missions Circle will meet tomorrow, January 19th at 10am in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies are welcome to attend.

Pastor/Parish Relations Committee will meet next Sunday, January 25th immediately after Worship.

We need your help! Please take a moment to review the prayer request lists and advise of any updates we can make.

The Church Directory is being updated to add our new members; if anyone's contact information has changed or is incorrect, please share your updated information with Cindy Nelson or Kristi.

Ladies Bible Study will begin Tuesday, January 27th; *The Gospel on the Ground* by Kristi McLelland is a seven week study ending March 10th. Please let Susan Savage know if you plan to participate. Books can be purchased through Amazon or Lifeway— we hope you join us!

Seashore Missions Meals for 2026 needs volunteers for October, & December; Please see Robin Cameron if you'd like to help. Meals are the 1st Thursday of each month.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study— *Profoundly Christian, Distinctly Methodist* resumes this week; questions 33-34 of the catechism.

Lectionary Readings for January 18th

Isaiah 9:1-4

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Matthew 4:12-23

Psalm 27:1, 5-13

Prayer List:

Ongoing Concerns:

Sara Poston, Ronnie & Diane Seymour, Billy Robinson, Larry Hall, Woody VanDevender, Phyllis & Clint Gill, Grayson Morse, Donna Wittersheim, Aven & Saylee Bryant, Betty Tootle, Bobby Lenardo, Debbie Harris, David Davidson, Paige & Mark McDougald, Susie Flurry, Karen & Gene VanWinkle, Mae Gamblin, James Ellis Bertucci, Danielle Weitz, Gaynell Hill, Sara Caldwell, Melissa Odell, Jasper Pryor, Emma & Rickey Sharp, John Russell, Andrew Russell, Rosemary Meador, Nancy Riggins, Katherine O'Brien, Diane Upton, Jerry Evans, Martha Richardson, Carl & Liz Wyatt, Teresa Davis, Bruce Nevels, Billy Sanders, Doris Hand, Holly Heppner, Robbie Fant, Jenni Johnson, Matt Mizelle, Joyce Casillos.

Weekly Prayer Requests:

Ryleigh Yates, Robert Denton, Scott Hawkins, Scott Parker, Carl Duncan, Alicia Green, Addie Smith, Missy Bond, Tom Cameron, Hal Galloway, Windy Taylor, Kay Bryant, Linda Holden, Ricky Green, Sherry Judy, Pauline Ward, Curt Robb Family, Jimmy's mother– Lavada, Randy Caraway, Angela Vickers, Wanda Hart, Toddy LeBatard, Annaleigh Sykes, Kaleigh Morton, New Sunday School Classes, Ladies Bible Study, Venezuela & its Missionaries.

Our Nation: Leaders & Country

Our Military:

Wesley Savage, Brey Richmond, Jacob Ferrer, Hunter LaVann, Elizabeth Willis, Cody Bean, Clayton Demoran, Justin Shoemake, Chris Phifer, Nate Collins, Joseph Jackson, James Bell, Clay LeBatard, Austin Gill, Logan Grandstaff, Luke Self, Morgan Foster, Hank Jamison.

Happening this Week

- Ladies Come and Go Prayer Wednesday at 9am.
- Women's Methodist Missions Circle will meet Jan. 19th at 10a.m.
- Adult Bible Study meets each Wednesday morning at 10:30.
- Wednesday Night Together 5pm; dinner at 5:15, Children & Adult Bible Study at 6:00.
- Sunday School for adults and children meets every Sunday at 8:15 am and Worship at 9:30am.

Coming Soon!

- PPR Committee Meeting Jan. 25th after Worship.
- Women's Bible Study begins Jan. 27th.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Anthony Galle (20)

Crystal Dewey (24)

