

# Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church

*A Global Methodist Church*

**February 1, 2026**  
*Third Sunday after Epiphany*



**Welcome!**

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

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## Gospel Reading-Matthew 5:1-12

### *Introduction to the Sermon on the Mount*

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him,<sup>2</sup> and he began to teach them.

#### *The Beatitudes*

He said:

<sup>3</sup>“Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup>Blessed are those who mourn,  
for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>Blessed are the meek,  
for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup>Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will be shown mercy.

<sup>8</sup>Blessed are the pure in heart,  
for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup>Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup>Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>“Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me.<sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

## Scripture Reading- I Corinthians 1: 18, 25-31

<sup>18</sup> For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

<sup>25</sup> For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

<sup>26</sup> Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth.<sup>27</sup> But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong.<sup>28</sup> God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are,<sup>29</sup> so that no one may boast before him.<sup>30</sup> It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption.<sup>31</sup> Therefore, as it is written: “Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord.”

# Order of Worship

## The Gathering!

Welcome, Announcements & Birthdays

Scott Holden

Prelude - Prepare your hearts to worship God.

## The Praise!

\*Call to Worship

Scott Holden

O Lord, who may abide in Your tent? Who may dwell on Your holy hill?

**Those who walk blamelessly and do what is right.**

Jesus opens His mouth and teaches us the way of the kingdom.

**Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

Come, let us worship the one who calls us to live in justice and mercy.

**We lift our voices to the Lord of heaven and earth!**

\*Hymn of Praise      "How Great Thou Art" #32

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.

Gospel Reading      Matthew 5:1-12      Bobby Burrell

\*Hymn of Preparation      "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"      #221

\*Scripture Reading      1 Corinthians 1:18, 25-31      Rev. Ron McDougald

Affirmation of Faith      The Nicene Creed      #693

Sermon      "Attitude Adjustments!"      Rev. Ron McDougald

\*Communion Hymn      "Let Us Break Bread Together"      #418

Holy Communion           #730

## The Sending Forth!

\*Choral Benediction      "Blest 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.

**Today's Communion Offering** will benefit Moore Community House.

**Missions Committee** will have a short meeting today after Worship.

**Women's Bible Study** will begin this Tuesday, February 3rd-10:30 til noon; *The Gospel on the Ground* by Kristi McLelland is a seven week study ending March 17th. 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** Servers for this Thursday, February 5th are Connie, Betty and Sandi.

**Men's Christian Fellowship** & Breakfast will be next Saturday, February 7th at 8a.m.

**Discipleship Committee** will meet next Sunday, February 8th immediately after Worship.

**Save the date for VBS** – mark your calendars and plan to join us June 1-5!

**Wednesday Morning Bible Study** – *Profoundly Christian, Distinctly Methodist* this week's question- 37 of the catechism, pages 103-107. Please join us at 10:30a.m.

The Trustees are making every effort to insure the Sanctuary is at a comfortable temperature for all. There is a plan in place to adjust the thermostat prior to Sunday Morning Worship according to the weather forecast.

### *Lectionary Readings for January 18th*

Isaiah 58:1-9a, (9b-12)

Matthew 5:13-20

1 Corinthians 2:1-12 (13-16)

Psalm 112:1-9 (10)

## 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, Steve Monk, Ricky Green Family, Leroy Harvey Family, Phillip Walker Family, Kelly Breland, Scotty Horton, Patricia Brown, Dean Hubbard Family, Tracy Milton Family, Carrie Sue Saucier Family, Jessie, Sandra Cole, Rhonda, Mary Ellen Pryor, Robert Denton, Scott Hawkins, Scott Parker, Carl Duncan, Addie Smith, Missy Bond, Tom Cameron, Hal Galloway, Kay Bryant, Linda Holden, Pauline Ward, Jimmy's mother—Lavada, Warren Latham, Annaleigh Sykes, Kaleigh Morton, Electric Linemen, Ladies Bible Study, Venezuela & its Missionaries, Iran, Greenland.

### 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

- Women's Bible Study, Tuesday, 10:30am.
- Ladies Come and Go Prayer Wednesday at 9am.
- 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!

- Men's Fellowship and Breakfast, next Saturday, February 7th—8a.m.
- Discipleship Committee Meeting next Sunday, February 8th after Worship.

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

**Susan Savage (2)**



**David Dixon (5)**

**Courtney O'Brien (6)**



**Debbie Dixon (7)**