WELCOME TO
EBENSBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
February 8, 2026

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Mission Statement
"Ebensburg Presbyterians
are Christians giving help
and hope to all by sharing God's love."

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

GATHERING

TOLLING OF THE HOUR
CHORAL PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER: (Unison)
Gracious and loving God, you meet us where we are and call us toward deeper faith and fuller life. As we gather to worship, quiet our distractions and draw us closer to you. May this time shape us, restore us, and remind us that we are never alone. Receive our worship, O God. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsively)
Leader: From the week behind us and the days ahead, God calls us together.
People: We gather to rest in God's presence.
Leader: In this place, we are welcomed and known.
People: Let us worship the Lord with trust and joy
All: Come, let us worship God!

*HYMN #281 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah (Blue)

*CALL TO CONFESSION
*PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (Unison)
Gracious God, you call us to trust you with our whole lives, yet we confess that fear often shapes our choices. We cling to what feels safe instead of stepping into faithful obedience. Forgive us for the ways we hesitate to love, to forgive, and to serve. Free us from what holds us back, and guide us forward by your Spirit. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON: (Responsively)
Leader: The promise of the gospel is this: God does not turn away from us, but turns toward us with forgiveness and love. Through Christ, our sins are forgiven and we are made new. Rejoice in this good news.
People: Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI #579 (Blue Hymnal)

*PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST (Responsively)
The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**
(Please share the peace of Christ with those around you.)

TIME WITH CHILDREN

CHORAL ANTHEM

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION: (Unison)
Living God, your Word has shaped your people through every generation. Speak to us now through the reading and proclamation of scripture. Give us ears to hear, hearts to receive, and courage to live what we learn. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING:	Isaiah 58:1-9a	p. 600
SECOND SCRIPTURE READING:	Matthew 5:13-20	p. 797

SERMON: *In Every Window*

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN #339 Be Thou My Vision (Blue Hymnal)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (Unison) The Apostles Creed p. 14

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
THE LORD'S PRAYER: (Unison) p.16

INVITATION TO OFFERING
PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY #592 (Blue Hymnal)

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION: (Unison)
Faithful God, you provide all that we need, and you invite us to share what we have received. Bless these offerings and the hands that give them. Use them to strengthen your church, care for those in need, and bear witness to your hope. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

SENDING

*HYMN#443 O Christ, the Great Foundation (Blue Hymnal)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
*CHORAL BENEDICTION

* Please stand as you are able

While much of the liturgy is written by Reverend Danielle, often times other resources may be adapted or used. Noted selections of this week's worship liturgical resources come from:

1. Call to Worship: Lectionary Companion, Vol. 57:1, 2023-2024, Year B

ANNOUNCEMENTS
February 8, 2026

WORSHIP SERVICE: 11 am and on Facebook Live

OFFICE HOURS:

While we are without a regular pastor, office hours will be as listed below:

Monday and Wednesday: 9:30-1:30

Tuesday and Thursday: 1:00-3:00 (please note the change)

Outside of office hours, please leave a voicemail message. Someone will check messages several times a day and reply as soon as possible.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time of reduced staffing.

PLEASE NOTE:
Now that winter is upon us and travel uncertain, please note that changes to regular office hours due to weather (or, occasionally, other circumstances) will be posted on the church Facebook page. If you do not use Facebook and plan to come to the office, it would be a good idea to call first to verify.

SESSION MEETING: March 9 at 7:00

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

February 1	Max Magley
February 22	Zane Kendig
February 3	Susan Makosy
February 3	Marsha Krug
February 7	Tim Forberger
February 15	Jamie Mazzarella
February 17	Eva Vietmier
February 23	Laurel Lyons
February 25	Amy Brulia
February 28	Jani McKenrick Stratton

Happy Anniversary to Jim & Laurel Lyons February 13

PRAYER LIST

If you have any names to add to the Prayer List, please call the church office at 814 472-6920, email ebgpresby@gmail.com, or place the names in the offering plate. Thank you.

Melody Rainey	Bill and R McKim	AMC	Bill and Mary Lou Carlisle	Mandy
Mary Clare	Tom R.	Claudette Segear	Logan Horvath	David Feath

We are happy to welcome Rev. Lon Weaver, the Interim Executive Presbyter, to our pulpit this morning.

We will be offering our traditional Ash Wednesday Communion breakfast at 9:00 a.m. on Ash Wednesday, February 18 and have invited several local congregations to join us.

If you wish to help with this project, please contact Judy Carl or the church office.

RSVP requested by February 16.

Please consider serving on one of the church committees this year. The sign-up sheets are on the table in the overflow room.

Please remit your per capita offering as soon as possible. The 2026 per capita is $55.

Rev. Danielle kindly arranged pulpit supply for us until the end of Februray, as noted below:

February 8th- Rev. Lon Weaver (Interim Executive Presbyter)
February 15th- Rev. Jim Farrer
February 22nd- Tara Ometz

Copies of **"Our Daily Bread"** are available at the rear entrance to the sanctuary.

We have purchased an **online Lenten devotional** and will be sharing links to it weekly during Lent. If anyone would like a printed copy, please notify the church office.

If you would like a copy of the Annual Report, please notify the church office.