



January 25, 2026

3rd Sunday After Epiphany

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9:00 am TRADITIONAL SERVICE

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The Work of the People for January 25, 2026

The liturgical color is green, symbolizing growth in discipleship

GATHERING FOR PRAISE

PRELUDE

Andantino

arr. T. Kendall

***HYMN OF PRAISE - UMH #332**

DIADEMATA

Spirit of Faith Come Down

***OPENING READING**

Matthew 24:29-31 (NRSV)

Rev. Frank Lybrand

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER QUILT DEDICATION - Linda Joyce Parker

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

ANTHEM

Church without Walls
Seaside Chancel Choir

P. Chopin

HEARING GOD'S WORD

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DISCIPLESHIP MOMENT

Mary Elizabeth Tompkins

SCRIPTURE READING

Ezekiel 2:1-5 (CEB)

Jody Levitt

HYMN OF PREPARATION - UMH #334

SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

SERMON

Rev. Jonathan Tompkins
Prophet or Non-Prophet? series
'Can These Dry Bones Live?'

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY

Offertory in G

W. A. Mozart

***DOXOLOGY** (*sung to the tune of All Creatures of our God and King*)
Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Alleluia Alleluia
Praise God the source of all our gifts
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts
Praise The Spirit Holy Spirit
Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - UMH #883**
from the United Church of Canada

GOING FORTH TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

***HYMN OF SENDING - TFWS #2115** HOLY MANNA
Christ Has Risen

***SENDING FORTH**

May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths,
and superficial relationships,
so that we may live deep within our hearts.

May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression
and exploitation of people,
so that we may work for justice, freedom and peace.

May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer
from pain, rejection, starvation, and war,
**so that we may reach out our hands to comfort them
and turn their pain to joy.**

And may God bless you with enough foolishness
to believe that you can make a difference in this world,
**so that we, following Christ, inspired by the Spirit,
can do what others claim cannot be done. Amen!**

(adapted from a Franciscan blessing)

***SUNG SENDING FORTH** *Go in Peace*

Go in peace and the peace of God be with you today
Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always
Celebrate and share the joy and celebrate new life
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***POSTLUDE** *Praise to God the Father* F. Ritter
**please stand as you are able*

11:09 am MODERN SERVICE

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*SONG OF PRAISE

My Lighthouse

REND COLLECTIVE

*OPENING READING

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*SONG OF PRAISE

Days of Elijah

R. Mark

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Music Leaders: Matt Gredler, Linda Jennings, Bruce Gale, Merryl Dietz, Beth Zeitler, and
Pastor Jonathan

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YOUTH MINISTRY

- Donuts + Discussion (grades 6-12) meets every Sunday at 10:15 in the Youth Lounge. All welcome! This Sunday: 'Fearless, Overcoming Fear with Faith'
- Acolytes needed - Being an acolyte is a special way to participate in worship on Sundays. Choose a Sunday and service time that works for you and your family. *Contact Pastor Jonathan at jethhiumc@gmail.com*
- Coming up for grades 6-12:
 - ◊ TODAY, January 25 - UMYF - 5:30-7:30 pm
Celebration Center, dinner provided
 - ◊ January 30-February 1, 2026 - UMC Revolution Youth Conf.

REVOLUTION UMC YOUTH CONFERENCE

January 30 - February 1 • For students grades 6-12

Registration now open, use the QR code to sign up.



Contact: Alan Prochazka at umyfhhiumc@gmail.com or 740.504.8208

STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE

		Date	In-Person 9:00	In-Person 11:09	In-Person Total	Online Worship
January 18 Budget	\$29,572	1.04	142	76	218	471
January 18 Contributions	\$28,176	1.11	139	67	206	416
January 18 Special Gifts designated	\$750	1.18	126	40	166	353

Thank you for your faithful giving!

ILL OR CONTINUED CARE

Matt Thomas, Sue Kerr, Will & Cheri Jobbins, Claire Wheeler

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

The sanctuary flowers today are given by Bert and Connie Nienaber to the glory of God and in honor of Connie's mother, Lilli Williams, on her 89th birthday today.

PRAYER QUILT DEDICATION

The Prayer Quilt dedicated today is for Linda Joyce Parker who has endured severe and debilitating pain for many years despite numerous orthopedic surgeries to treat her condition. We pray that our God of grace and healing will fill Linda with renewed strength and peace as she considers the possibility of another surgery. Our continued prayers are that Linda will finally receive specialized care to fully restore her quality of life. This quilt was requested by Marcia Muzinich, Linda's cousin.

SERVING OPPORTUNITY

Communion Servers are needed the first Sunday of every month, especially Feb. 1.

No previous experience required.

- ◊ Visit standrewbytheseaumc.org/serve-on-a-team to view available slots and for easy online sign up.
- ◊ Or email your availability to standrewbythesea@gmail.com

SUDS JANUARY

Each week the Soup Kitchen provides a useful, valuable personal hygiene or cleaning item to our guests. Please consider donating some of these items this month.

Week 1 - Laundry Detergent

Week 3 - Bar Soap / Dish Soap

Week 2 - Toothpaste and Brushes

Week 4 - Shampoo and Conditioner

GRIEFSHARE

Wednesdays, Beginning February 4 • 1:00 - 2:30 pm • Celebration Center

A GriefShare group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. During this 13-week support group program, participants discover what to expect in the days ahead and what's "normal" in grief. Since there are no neat, orderly stages of grief, participants learn helpful ways of coping with grief in all its unpredictability—and receive solid support each step of the way. All members of the community are welcome.

Register at griefshare.org/findagroup or for more information, contact Stephen Ministers/group facilitators Brenda Armstrong at Brenda.brady.armstrong@gmail.com, 508-615-6934 or Lesley Kyle at lesley.kyle@icloud.com, 914-671-9524.

LENTEN STUDIES

- **‘Come to the Table’**

Mondays • February 23 - March 23 • 6:00 - 6:45pm • ZOOM ONLY

Based on our Lenten sermon series 'The Last Suppers,' exploring the stories and parables Jesus told at tables on his way to the cross. Yes, it's during dinner time, but that's the point! Fix some supper and join Pastor Jonathan online as we discuss questions from the previous Sunday's sermon and engage in various table practices that will bring us closer to Christ and to each other.

Find the Zoom link (same link for all sessions), in the bulletin, weekly email or email to standrewbythesea@gmail.com

- **Texting With God Through Lent**

Tuesdays • February 24 - March 24 • 11:00 am • Admin. Bldg. Conf. Room

ZOOM AND IN-PERSON

We text every day to stay connected. This Lent, we invite you to "text with God" by listening closely to the weekly lectionary scriptures. Each participant will reflect on a verse or phrase that speaks to them and consider what God may be saying through it. Join us for a season of listening, reflection, and deeper connection through Scripture. This study will be led by Pastor Frank.

Find the Zoom link (same link for all sessions), in the bulletin, weekly email or email to standrewbythesea@gmail.com

- **Men’s Devotional Group - The Third Day: Living the Resurrection**

Thursdays • February 26 - April 2 • 8:00 - 9:00 am • ZOOM ONLY

Tom Berlin's book uses his gifts of storytelling and understanding the Scriptures to connect the reader to the experiences of Peter, Mary Magdalene, and Thomas around Jesus in his final days, focusing on new life and redemption rather than the despair of losing Jesus. This study traces events around these characters, along with Paul and the disciples at Emmaus, and how the resurrection transforms their lives.

Contact: Dave Peterson at dvdlptrsn@gmail.com for the Zoom link

- **Photo-a-Day Lent Devotional**

Any Lent devotional is simply an invitation to reflect on God's presence and movement in our personal lives through the season. One popular Lent devotional is the Photo-a-Day challenge. Each day, a scripture-inspired word is listed for your consideration. Throughout the day, see how the word inspires you or shows up in your life and share your thoughts by posting a picture. No explanation is needed in your post. Let's start this 40-day journey together, sharing glimpses of our lives with one another. Let this be an intentional time, even for a few minutes a day, to pause, remember and reflect. We will use the FREE version of the app *Photo Circle*, a private photo album where only other church participants can see your picture. This is open to all ages.

For the private group app invite, and list of daily words, contact Kerry at the church office, christedhhiumc@gmail.com

SUNDAY STUDIES

Seekers Class • *The Message of Jesus* • Celebration Center • 10:15-11:00 am

Joy Class • *The Promise of Heaven* • Admin. Bldg. Conf. Room • 10:15-11:00 am



FISHING GUIDE

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'Can These Dry Bones Live?'

Today's Scripture: Ezekiel 2:1-5 (CEB)

The voice said to me: Human one, stand on your feet, and I'll speak to you. ²As he spoke to me, a wind came to me and stood me on my feet, and I heard someone addressing me. ³He said to me: Human one, I'm sending you to the Israelites, a traitorous and rebellious people. They and their ancestors have been rebelling against me to this very day. ⁴I'm sending you to their hardheaded and hard-hearted descendants, and you will say to them: The Lord God proclaims. ⁵Whether they listen or whether they refuse, since they are a household of rebels, they will know that a prophet has been among them.

May God add a blessing to the reading, hearing, and living of these words. Amen!

Navigational Markers (thoughts and ideas to guide you)

Depth Finder (to go deeper)

Read the following Scriptures referenced in the sermon and consider each with these questions: What did these mean for Ezekiel's and Daniel's hearers? What did they mean for the first generation of Christians? What do they mean for us today?

Ezekiel's Vision and Call	Ezekiel Chap 1-3
Daniel's Friends Staying Faithful	Daniel Chap 3
Daniel Staying Faithful	Daniel Chap 6
Apocalyptic Hope	Daniel Chap 7; Ezekiel Chap 34, 37, 47-48