

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY



Bausman Memorial United Church of Christ

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.



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9:30am Worship

WELCOME TO BAUSMAN!

1ST TIME GUESTS: Most everything you need is found in this bulletin. Plus, those around you are glad to help and an usher is always available at the main rear entrance. If there are ways we can better extend God's hospitality, leave us a note on the Welcome Card. Your insights are essential as we continue to grow into the community God is calling us to be. Thank you!

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Congregational readings are in bold with an *All*, *People*, or *Unison* designation. Songs are in the bulletin or pew hymnal. Times for standing and sitting are listed, with it always being okay to remain seated.

“BUSY BAGS”: Coloring books and crayons are available in the north narthex (lobby) for use during worship. Please return all items following the service for others to use the following week. See an usher for assistance.

NURSERY CARE: Available during worship for children birth-kindergarten. The nursery is past the office, to the right. See an usher for assistance.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Is held during worship for 1st – 7th graders, except the first Sunday of the month. Youth meet their teachers after the children's message in the sanctuary. Parents, please pick up your child from the 2nd floor classrooms immediately following worship. Follow signs for the office.

RESTROOMS: Ladies and a unisex/accessible bathroom (with wall mounted baby changing table) are available through the doors at the front of the sanctuary. Follow the signs to the office. Bathrooms are on the left.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS: Contain printed scripture and music, in addition to being in a larger font. Ask an usher for a copy.

HEARING ASSISTANCE: Ask an usher at the rear entrance to the sanctuary who will provide you with a device directly tied into the sanctuary sound system. Please return the device to an usher at the conclusion of worship.

GET CONNECTED: Use the pew holder Welcome Card to register your attendance, share contact information, ask questions, and more. Once completed, place it in the offering plates during the offering time.

WIFI & DEVICES: Thank you for silencing all your devices during worship. Bausman's guest wifi is accessible with the passcode: “gladurhere!”

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE GATHER TO BE GOD'S PEOPLE

Centering Thoughts: In business, you're told to have an elevator speech – a 20-30 second spiel about what you do, the impact it makes, and why someone should want to know more (specifically by either talking to you more or straight out hiring you). The same could be said for our faith in Jesus Christ. Do you know our elevator speech? If you had 20-30 seconds, do you know how you would share who Jesus is, the impact he makes, and why someone should want to know more (specifically by talking to you more or by straight out welcoming him into their life?)

Opening Chimes

Welcome & Announcements

Sharing of Christ's Peace

(Rise in body or spirit to share Christ's peace using customary forms of greeting or by using a peace sign. Please be seated once the prelude begins.)

Prelude: "The Lord Reigneth" - Lani Smith

(The acolyte carries the light of Christ into our presence, calling us to worship)

(Please rise in body or spirit)

Call to Worship

Pastor: Sing to the Lord, praise his name;

People: Proclaim his salvation day after day.

Pastor: Declare his glory among the nations,

People: His marvelous deeds among all peoples.

Pastor: God stands in our midst, calling us to share in his glory.

People: The Holy One of God is among us;
the lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Pastor: Sing glory and praise to his name.

People: Together, we lift our voices to proclaim the wonder of Jesus,
Son of God, Beloved of the Most High, Savior of the world.

All: Amen!

WE CONFESS OUR NEED FOR HEALING & GRACE

Call to Confession

Corporate Confessional

All: Saving God, all around us are the wonders of your creative power – in the air we breathe, the beauty we see, the love we experience, and the stillness that proclaims your presence.

We confess that we often fail to see you,
let alone follow you or proclaim you.

And yet, you continue to come into this world and into our lives.

By your grace, let us breathe in your presence, let us see your beauty,
let us feel your love, as we hand ourselves over
to the stillness of your presence.

In your mercy, come near to us now,
reaching across all that has separated us from you.

In Jesus' name we pray.

Personal Silent Confession

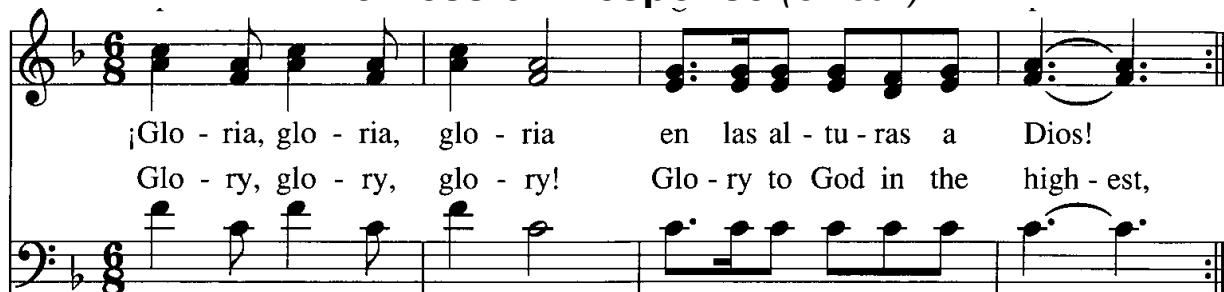
(Personal prayers for God's healing and redeeming peace)

Assurance of Grace

Pastor: ...proclaiming life, offering forgiveness,
inviting us to come and see the wonder of God that is at hand.

People: Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
who is calling us each to life. Amen!

Confession Response (Unison)



Yen la tie - rra paz pa-ra-a-que-llos que a - ma Dios. . . .
 And on earth be peace to all peo-ple with whom God is pleased.

(Please be seated)

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S LIVING WORD

Message for the Young & Young at Heart

(All youth are invited to come forward to the front steps. Those in 1st-7th grades are dismissed to Sunday School or back to their guardians following the message.)

Prayer of Illumination

**All: Holy One, open now for us the gift of your revelation,
 through ancient word and spoken reality.**

**Set free your Spirit in our souls
 that we may be numbered among your flock –
 those who hear their master and follow at your call. Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 49:1-7 (p. #679)

Listen to me, you islands; hear this, you distant nations: Before I was born the Lord called me; from my mother's womb he has spoken my name. He made my mouth like a sharpened sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me into a polished arrow and concealed me in his quiver. He said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will display my splendor." But I said, "I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing at all. Yet what is due me is in the Lord's hand, and my reward is with my God."

And now the Lord says— he who formed me in the womb to be his servant to bring Jacob back to him and gather Israel to himself, for I am honored in the eyes of the Lord and my God has been my strength— he says:

"It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."

This is what the Lord says—the Redeemer and Holy One of Israel—to him who was despised and abhorred by the nation, to the servant of rulers: “Kings will see you and stand up, princes will see and bow down, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

Gospel Lesson: John 1:35-46 (p. #92)

The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, “Look, the Lamb of God!” When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, “What do you want?”

They said, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?”

“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.

Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, “We have found the Messiah” (that is, the Christ). 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).

The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, “Follow me.” Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. Philip found Nathanael and told him, “We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” “Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?” Nathanael asked. “Come and see,” said Philip.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: “What Will You Proclaim?”

Chancel Choir Anthem: “Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You” - Jay Althouse

WE RESPOND TO GOD

(Please rise in body or spirit)

Statement of Faith – Apostles Creed

**All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ His only begotten Son, our Lord;
 who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried.
 He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
 he ascended into heaven,
 and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
 from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
 the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
 the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

(Please be seated)

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (sins)

**All: Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

*(Electronic & physical giving options are available through the pew envelope.
Register your attendance with a Welcome Card or using Realm's mobile check-in.)*

Offertory: “Trust and Obey” - Michael Helman on a tune by Daniel B. Towner

(Please rise in body or spirit)

Offering Response (*Unison*)



Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Prayer of Dedication

All: Bountiful God, you have provided the richness of your Son,
whose very humility led him to die for us on the cross
so that we and this world might be set free to the fullness of life.
May our acts of giving unite us to his sacrifice and his glory,
so that our lives might proclaim of peace, share of blessing,
and be sources of your mercy.
Therefore, bless all that we give in service to you. Amen.

WE GO WITH GOD'S CALLING

Recessional Hymn: "Jesus, the Light of the World" (p. #160)

(The acolyte carries the light of Christ into the world, as the choir leads us in the way.)

Commissioning & Benediction

Chimes

Postlude: "Praising the Almighty" - Edward Broughton

(As the postlude concludes, go in peace to love and serve at the calling of God.)

THIS WEEK AT BAUSMAN

Sunday, January 25

- 8:30 AM Chancel Choir
- 9:30AM Worship, Sunday School, Nursery
- 8:00 PM Wyo Cub Scout Pack 413, Committee Meeting - Library

Monday, January 26

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 AM Exercise Group – Upper Level
- 11:00 AM Turning Point Group, AA – Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM Property Committee – Conference Room

Tuesday, January 27

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 11:00 AM Soup Prep - Kitchen

Wednesday, January 28

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 AM Exercise Group – Upper Level
- 9:30 AM Soup Prep - Kitchen
- 11:30 AM Turning Point Group, AA – Upper Level
- 4:30 PM Soup Pick-up

Thursday, January 29

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 9:30 AM Soup Prep - Kitchen
- 10:30 AM Women's Recovery Group, Upper Level
- 4:30 PM Soup Pick-up
- 6:30 PM Bell Choir, Sanctuary
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir, Sanctuary

Friday, January 30

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 9:30 AM Soup Sale Prep - Kitchen
- 11:30 AM Turning Point Group, AA – Upper Level
- 12:00 PM Soup Pick-up – Fellowship Hall

Saturday, January 31

- 9:00 AM Soup Pick-up – Fellowship Hall

Sunday, February 1 – Scout Sunday

8:30 AM Chancel Choir
9:30AM Worship, Communion, Nursery
10:30 AM First Sunday Fellowship
1:00 PM New Member Class – Fellowship Hall
1:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 1693
4:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 192

PRAYERS & CARES

Congregational Cards of Care

God invites us to share life-giving love through our faith. One way to do this is to weekly join in our “Cards of Care” ministry. This week we are uplifting Randall Ulmer, who is one of our Home Congregants. Stop by the table in the front left corner of the sanctuary to add your name and care to this week’s card. Thank you!

Prayer Requests

Thank you for joining in the joy and care of others by including the following prayers in your prayer times. Submit your prayer requests by using a Prayer Card, contacting the church office, or the prayer chain coordinator (Mary Moll). Prayer requests are maintained for up to four weeks and can be resubmitted an unlimited number of times. When possible, please check with the person before submitting their name.

Thanks: St. Luke's Union UCC

Healing & Strengthening: Thomas Corrado; Gene Aulenbach; Becky Wright

Care & Support: Commander Alison (Derr) Maruca & Family; Major Jamie Derr & Family; The people of Venezuela & wisdom for the US government; The Keystone Conference & those leading its beginning; Soup Fundraiser; SOAR Clothing Collection

Comfort in the Time of Loss: Susie Bates (loss of husband); Dr. Corey Jones

Birthdays Celebrated this Week

1/26 Carol Laibe
1/27 Rod Baer
1/28 Emma Stone
1/30 Carsten Waetjen

Worship Information

Sponsorships

Bulletins: To the Glory of God by Gail Freymoyer.

Today's Worship Leaders

Ministers: All Members

Head Usher: Kent Hollinger

Ushers: Bruce Longenecker, Tom Reardon,

Mary Moll, Renee Dietrich

Acolyte: TBD

Reader: Bob Showalter

Welcome: Shelby Brunner

Minister of Music: Sharon Luyben

Preacher: Rev. Joseph Motz

Nursery: Amalia Cannon & Ella Anders

Altar Guild: Marjorie Huyette & Michele

Wolfskill

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Last Week's Worship

Worship Attendance: In Person: Cancelled due to snow.

Offerings Received for God's Ministry:

General Fund: In person \$2984 Online: \$185

2025: \$12,469

"LOOK AND SEE"
WHAT IS HAPPENING AT BAUSMAN!
JANUARY 25, 2026

(Visit bausmanucc.org and sign up for the weekly e-blasts as well)

Basement Level Women's Room Closed - On Monday, January 19, a vent valve for the basement hot water heating system blew out in the women's restroom pouring hot water out into the restroom and out onto the hallway floors. Thankfully, due to the church's regular use by community groups, it was discovered earlier than would have been noticed otherwise. The women's restroom has been demolished as part of the water remediation work and will remain closed until it is reconstructed. Baseboard molding and some drywall has also been removed from the hallways and choir room. An insurance claim has been filed. At this time, the remediation work is continuing. We will keep you updated on the extent of the damage and the planned next steps once that information becomes available.

Clothing Collection for Hope Rescue and Lighthouse - Today is the last day for collection of all season clothing for both HOPE RESCUE and LIGHTHOUSE. Please drop your items in the boxes in the East Narthex. Thank you.

Ways to Support the Annual Soup Sale – Soup sale prep will be Tuesday, 1/27 – Friday 1/30. Shifts are set up for 2-hr intervals Tuesday 27th – Friday 30th. Sign-up sheets are posted in the sanctuary. Please consider helping even if it's for an hour.

Also, help get the word out! Handouts with a QR code to the order form, as well as hard copies of the order form, are available on the table in the sanctuary. Please share them with family, friends, and neighbors.

Get Ready for Scout Sunday! On February 1, Boy Scout Troop 413 is helping with the church service **and providing a hearty brunch afterwards in the Fellowship Hall**. During the service scouts will serve as ushers, acolytes, and readers. Plus, you'll have an opportunity to hear of the great things Bausman's Scout Troop is doing. Mark this special worship and brunch on your calendar. All are welcome!

New Member Class Starting February - The New Member's Class is an opportunity to spiritually grow while discerning God's leading in your life. The four classes cover a range of topics from faith journeys, understanding and using the bible, why we worship like we do, discipleship, the UCC, and more. If you would like to participate, or if you would like to learn more, please speak with Pastor Joe. The four classes will be held from 1-3pm, on Sunday, Feb. 1st, Feb 15th, March 1st, and March 15th.

Celebrate Girl Scout Sunday – March 8! - Join us for worship on **Sunday, March 8**, as we recognize **Girl Scout Sunday** and celebrate the courage, confidence, and character of girls in our community. Girl Scouts will be part of the worship experience, and we'll highlight the impact of the Girl Scout program while welcoming young girls who may be interested in joining. Stay after worship for fellowship and refreshments as we continue the celebration!

Berks County Disaster Ministries: How to Help In Your Backyard - You are invited to participate in an online meeting on Thursday, January 29, 2026, at 10:00 AM to explore the future of Disaster Ministries in Berks County. Pastor David Duquette of Pennside Presbyterian, Mt. Penn, chairs the Berks COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disaster). He says, "With changes in the federal response to disasters, the need for a Berks County COAD that connects the resources available in Berks County to the needs of disaster survivors is increased. The purpose of this meeting is to build capacity by increasing awareness of what the various organizations in Berks County do."

If you are interested in attending, please contact the church office to receive the meeting link.

Disposal of Cups or Containers with Liquid - Please do not put cups or containers in the trash cans or recycle bins if they still contain liquid. Be sure they are empty before disposing of them. Thank you!

Bring Last Year's Palm Branches to Worship February 15 - Did you save your palm branches from last Palm Sunday? If so, bring them to worship on February 15. They will be included in the children's message and then burned following worship to make Ash Wednesday's ashes. The burning of the palms reminds us that our ultimate hope is the victory of Jesus on the cross, who raises us with him from death to life. All are invited to participate in the brief outdoor burning service following the morning worship.

Ash Wednesday Worship – February 18, 6:30pm - Ash Wednesday is an opportunity to intentionally step into the spiritual journey of Lent through the receiving of ashes and a special altar communion. It will also mark the beginning of our Lenten focus. Look for the February newsletter & Eblast for more information.

Family Dinner and Bingo Night - Friday- February 20, 2026, 5:30pm -8:30pm – Fellowship Hall doors will open at 5:15pm and a buffet dinner will be served 5:30pm. Water will be provided so please bring your own beverage if you would prefer something else. BINGO will begin at 6:30pm with 20 games to be played. Donations will be accepted this year, at the door, to help defray the cost of food. Please be sure to sign up by Sunday, February 15, 2026 (*sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board*). If you have any questions, please contact Maureen Longenecker.

Become a Bulletin Sponsor –Become a bulletin sponsor by using the Sign-up forms and calendar poster located on the doors by the church office. Bulletin sponsorship is \$15 each or 2 for \$25.

How to Get Free Money for Bausman Using your Redner's Card - Remember to scan your Redner's Card at checkout. Then submit your full receipt to the church office or place in the East Narthex collection box. Friends and family can support Bausman with their receipts as well! Redner's gives the church 1% for every purchase. But it only applies when you scan your card at checkout.

In Case of Worship Cancellation Due to Inclement Weather - In the case there is a need to cancel worship due to poor weather conditions, cancellation information will be posted on the following platforms:

- The church answering machine message, option 3
- Email sent out through Realm and Posted on the Newsfeed
- Facebook - Bausman's Facebook page
- WFMZ.com - Under Business and School Closings

Brightest and Best

Reginald Heber, 1811; alt.

Matt. 2:9-11; Luke 2:10-14

1 Bright - est and best of the stars of the morn - ing,
 2 Cold on the cra - dle the dew - drops are shin - ing,
 3 Shall we not of - fer our cost - ly de - vo - tion,
 4 Vain - ly we of - fer each am - ple ob - la - tion,

dawn on our mid - night and lend us your aid.
 God's ho - ly Child with the beasts of the stall;
 fra - grance of E - dom and of - ferings di - vine,
 vain - ly with gifts would we fa - vor se - cure;

Star of the East the ho - ri - zon a - dorm - ing,
 An - gels a - dore while this ba - by lies sleep - ing,
 Gems of the moun - tain and pearls of the o - cean,
 Rich - er by far is the heart's ad - o - ra - tion,

guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.
 Mak - er and Mon - arch and Sav - ior of all.
 myrrh from the for - est or gold from the mine?
 dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.

An Anglican priest, Reginald Heber became bishop of Calcutta (including all of India), where he died of exhaustion at age forty-three. His Hymns (1827) was the first modern English hymnal arranged according to the church year.

Tune: MORNING STAR 11.10.11.10.
 James P. Harding, 1892
 The New Psalms and Hymns, Richmond, Va., 1901
 Alternate setting: WALKER

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

(Jesus, the Light of the World)

John 8:12; 9:5

Charles Wesley, 1739; alt.; adapt. George D. Elderkin; alt.

1 Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, Je-sus, the light of the world;
 2 Joy - ful, all you saints a - rise, Je-sus, the light of the world;
 3 Christ, by high-est heaven a - dored, Je-sus, the light of the world;
 4 Hail the Bear-er of God's peace! Je-sus, the light of the world;

Glo - ry to the Christ-child bring, Je-sus, the light of the world.
 Join the tri - umph of the skies, Je-sus, the light of the world.
 Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Word, Je-sus, the light of the world.
 Hail the Sun of righ - teous-ness! Je-sus, the light of the world.

Refrain

We will fol - low the light, beau - ti - ful light, come where the

dew-drops of mer - cy are bright, Shine all a - round us by

day and by night, Je - sus, the light of the world.

The original version of Charles Wesley's hymn has received various alterations throughout the years. This adaptation by George Elderkin utilizes a repeated ascription, "Jesus, the light of the world," and a refrain to create a rousing carol of praise.

Tune: ELDERKIN 7.7.7.7. with refrain

George D. Elderkin
Arr. Jeffrey Radford, 1993