

February 8, 2026

5th Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome! We are glad you came to worship with us today!
It is our prayer that you will be richly blessed as we worship.

†Denotes please stand as you are able in praise to God.

Pastoral Greeting:

Call to Worship:

L: God said, "Let there be light."

P: And there was light.

L: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world."

P: And the light shone in the darkness.

L: Jesus said, "You are the light of the world."

All: And the light shall not be quenched.

†Opening Hymn:

"We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"

UMH #569

Call to Prayer of Confession:

L: Let us confess our sins before God, our help in times of trouble.

P: Gracious God, we confess that it is harder to do than we expected, this life of faith. You call us to be salt of the earth and to live lives of justice and righteousness and love. But our lives become busy. Following what others do is just easier. And sometimes the cost for doing what is right seems too high. One day, perhaps, we will commit more fully, but the status quo works better for us right now. Forgive us, we pray. Startle our senses and disrupt our routines. Renew in us the passion for doing what is right in your eyes, and inspire us to be sources of your light in the world. May we, like the prophets and the saints, act by faith no matter how high the cost.

Words of Assurance:

†Affirmation of Faith:

"The Apostles Creed"

UMH #881

†Gloria Patri:

UMH #70

Passing the Peace of Christ:

Prayer for Illumination:

All: Come, Holy One, search us and reveal your truths to us. May your Spirit help us truly comprehend your message for us today. Amen.

Hebrew Testament:

Isaiah 58:1-12

Pew Bible Pg. 526

Hebrew Testament:

Psalms 112

UMH #833

† New Testament Scripture:

Matthew 5:13-20

Pew Bible Pg. 683

Hymn of Preparation:

"Open Our Eyes"

TFWS #2086

Message:

Jay W. Brown, CLM, OSL

Special Music:

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer:

(see bulletin)

Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts:

***The Doxology:**

"Praise God....."

UMH #95

Holy Communion:

†Closing Hymn: "Pass It On (It Only Takes a Spark)" UMH #572

Benediction and Sending Forth:

Sending Forth:

"Shalom to You"

UMH #666



Church Announcements!!!!

Weekly Church Services:

Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Weekly Bible Study: Tuesday's 6:30 p.m.

at St. John's UMC, West Berlin

Church Staff:

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