

JANUARY 26, 2025 | THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
WORSHIP AT WESTFIELD
 SERVICE OF WORD



THE HOLY SPIRIT GATHERS US IN UNITY
 ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK,
 THE DAY OF CHRIST'S RESURRECTION.

GATHER

*PLEASE RISE
 IN BODY OR SPIRIT

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please take a moment to complete the care pad in your pew.

Peace be with you. **And also with you.**

We thank God for these opportunities for fellowship and service. **Thanks be to God.**

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

You who are poor, why have you come?

To hear good news.

You who are brokenhearted, why have you come?

To heal our hearts.

You who are captive, why have you come?

To hear words of freedom.

You who are prisoners, why have you come?

To be released from what binds us.

You who mourn, why have you come?

To receive comfort.

Then you are welcome here in this place,
at this table, where Jesus offers blessing for all.

INVOCATION

Lord,
 you bring glad tidings to the poor.
 Let us hear.
 You heal the brokenhearted.
 Heal us too.
 You free the prisoners from their jails.
 Free us from ourselves.
 Loving God,
 please come to us,
 and send us out, forgiven,
 to the poor, the brokenhearted,
 the imprisoned.
Amen.

***O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING
 AZMON**



1. O for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re - deem - er's praise,
 2. **My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim,**
 3. Je - sus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sor - rows cease;
 4. **He breaks the power of can - celed sin, he sets the pris - oner free;**
 5. He speaks, and listen - ing to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive;
 6. **Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;**
 7. In Christ, your head, you then shall know, shall feel your sins for - given;



the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
to spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name.
 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.
his blood can make the foul - est clean; his blood a - vailed for me.
 the mourn - ful, bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
ye blind, be - hold your Sav - ior come, and leap, ye lame, for joy.
 an - tic - i - pate your heaven be - low, and own that love is heaven.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Waiting God, you know us all too well. We listen to this episode in the life of Jesus.

We hear the astonishment of the people gathered in worship as Jesus proclaims the mandate and scope of his ministry.

It is what they had hoped for and also what they have feared.

Change and challenge are always difficult. We are more inclined to turn our backs on opportunities of service than pitch in to affect the needed changes that will promote healing and wholeness.

Forgive us when we give lip service to you and then slip into inaction.

Give us courage to be willing disciples. Help us to be people of promise and hope.

In Jesus' Name, we offer this prayer. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

Jesus has opened the doors for service to each one of us.

We have been freed from our fears and doubts.

Rejoice, dear fiends!

In Jesus' Name, you are forgiven and healed.

In Jesus' Name, you are forgiven and healed.

Amen.

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GATHER

*PLEASE RISE
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*SUNG RESPONSE

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

1
Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,

3
and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,

6
and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free!

9
As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Family of God

You're invited to offer signs of welcome during the interlude.

1
I'm so glad I'm a part of the fam - 'ly of God

5
I've been washed in the foun - tain, wrapped in God's love!

10
Joint heirs with Je - sus as we trav - el this sod;

14
For I'm part of the fam - 'ly, the fam - 'ly of God.

CHILDREN'S TIME

All are invited to sing as the children come join the pastor in the front of the sanctuary.

Jesus Loves Me

Je - sus loves me this I know. For the Bi - ble tells me so.

5
Li - ttle ones to him be - long. They are weak, but he is strong.

9
Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!

13
Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so!

Children under 6th grade wishing to take part in Sunday School may leave at this time.

GOSPEL LESSON

LUKE 4:14-21

NEW REVISED STANDARD VERSION

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,

to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.’

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, ‘Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.’

THE MESSAGE

Jesus returned to Galilee powerful in the Spirit. News that he was back spread through the countryside. He taught in their meeting places to everyone’s acclaim and pleasure.

He came to Nazareth where he had been raised. As he always did on the Sabbath, he went to the meeting place. When he stood up to read, he was handed the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll, he found the place where it was written,

God’s Spirit is on me;

he’s chosen me to preach the Message of good news to the poor,

Sent me to announce pardon to prisoners and

recovery of sight to the blind,

To set the burdened and battered free,

to announce, “This is God’s time to shine!”

He rolled up the scroll, handed it back to the assistant, and sat down. Every eye in the place was on him, intent. Then he started in, “You’ve just heard Scripture make history. It came true just now in this place.”

HEAR
GOD SPEAKS TO US IN
SCRIPTURE, PREACHING,
AND SONG
*PLEASE RISE
IN BODY OR SPIRIT

WE BEGIN OUR LIFE OF RESPONDING TO THE GOSPEL THROUGH PRAYER AND OFFERING.

RESPOND

RESPONSE TO READING

Through this scripture, God is still speaking. **And we are listening.**

SERMON

THE REV. DR. JONATHAN CHAPMAN

SHARING OF CONCERNS

For all these persons
and all who are in need.
Hold your people near, O God.

SHARING OF JOYS

We give thanks to God
for these blessings.
Thanks be to God.

CALL TO PRAYER
Christ Be Our Light

26 Christ be our Light, shine in our hearts, shine through the dark - ness.
Christ, be our Light! Shine in your church ga-thered to - day.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO GIVE

Let's give with joyful hearts, that others may benefit
from the Gospel of Jesus Christ and God's realm be made real.
We will now collect the morning offering.

OFFERTORY

**DONATE
THRU
VENMO!**



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***DOXOLOGY**
OLD HUNDRETH

1 Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow.
4 Praise God all crea - tures here be - low;
7 Praise God a - bove the heav'n - ly host.
0 Praise God and Son and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

***PLEASE RISE
IN BODY OR SPIRIT**

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US FORTH IN MISSION FOR THE WORLD.
SEND

*** PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR SPIRIT**

***WHO AM I?**

1. Who am I, _____ that the Lord of all the earth would
2. that the eyes that see my sin would

5
 care to know my name, _____ would care to feel my hurt? _____
look on me with love _____ and watch me rise a - gain? _____

9
 Who am I, _____ that the Bright and Morn - ing Star _____ would
Who am I, _____ that the voice that calmed the sea _____ would

13
 choose to light the way _____ for my ev - er wand'ring heart? _____ Not be -
call out through the rain _____ and calm the storm in me? _____

18
 cause of who I am, _____ but be - cause of what you've done. _____ Not be -

22
 cause of what I've done, _____ but be - cause of who you are _____

27
 I am a flow - er quickly fad - ing, here to day and gone to - mor - row; A

32
 wave tossed in the o - cean, a va - por in the wind. Still you hear me when I'm call -

37
 - ing. Lord, you catch me when I'm fall - ing. And you've told me who I am: _____

42
 I am yours. _____ I am yours. _____ **4** Who am I, _____

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

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VALENTINE CHOCOLATE FESTIVAL

FEBRUARY 12



**BIBLE STUDY
RETURNS
FEB. 4 AT 6P
LADIES' PARLOR**

**FARMERS' MARKET
AT WESTFIELD
FIRST & THIRD SATURDAYS
OF THE MONTH 9A-12P**



**SOUP ON SUNDAY FAMILY MEAL
TONIGHT AT 5P | FELLOWSHIP HALL
FREE! COME EAT! VISIT! PLAY!**



**SUPPLY
COLLECTION
FOR OUR
UNHOUSED
POPULATION
THRU JAN 31**

- travel deodorants
- disposable razors
- travel shaving cream
- travel toothpaste
- tooth brushes
- soap
- socks
- feminine products
- tarps



LASAGNA OF LOVE

**PICK UP FEB 1 FROM 9A-11:30A
ORDER ONLINE: SHOPWESTFIELD.ORG**

**FIESTA FIRST
SUNDAY,
FEB. 2ND
FOLLOWING
WORSHIP**

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

LAY LITURGIST:
Pam Rodgers

GREETER:
Linda Pacheco

COUNTERS:
Elaine Smith, Kim Aubin

OFFERING:
Elaine Smith, Kim Aubin,
Linda Pacheco, Ronda Mandel

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WESTFIELD TO-GO

WHAT WORDS, PHRASES OR IMAGES
STICK WITH YOU FROM TODAY'S READING?

**WORDS FROM
SCRIPTURE**

JOT DOWN A FEW THOUGHTS FROM THE SERMON YOU'D LIKE TO
CARRY WITH YOU THIS WEEK.

**I WANT TO
REMEMBER...**

1

2

3

THIS WEEK, I WILL PRAY FOR...

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM TODAY I'LL INCLUDE IN MY PRAYERS THIS WEEK.

HELP

THANKS

WOW

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES:

We LOVE kids at Westfield. Children are welcome to stay through the whole service. If your child is more active, relax! We believe God put the wiggles and giggles in children. Don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome!

Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar. They tire of seeing the backs of others' heads.

Quietly explain the parts of worship. Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you.

If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me."

Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.

THE REV. DR. JONATHAN CHAPMAN



The Rev. Dr. Jonathan Chapman graduated from Candler School of Theology, Emory University, in May 2019 with his Doctor of Ministry in Biblical Witness and Proclamation. His capstone work, *The Year of Mark*, received the People's Choice Award among his cohort. While at Candler for his Master of Divinity (May, 2010), he was active with the Office of Worship, and was awarded the Hoyt Hickman Award for Outstanding Liturgical Scholarship. Jonathan is a 2007 Congregational Fellow and 2006 Undergraduate Fellow with The Fund for Theological Education. He graduated from Elon University in 2007 with a degree in Religious Studies. At Elon, he was selected as a Leadership Fellow and was awarded the W. L. Monroe Christian Education and Personality Award in the 2007. While at Elon he joined Elon Community Church, United Church of Christ, the congregation in which he was ordained.

Jonathan joined Westfield in October of 2012 and was officially installed as Pastor and Teacher in May of 2013, presiding over its revitalization. In October of 2022, he celebrated a decade with Westfield.

He was selected to be a part of the Next Generation Leadership Initiative, a program sponsored by the Pension Boards of the United Church of Christ that works with young clergy committed to parish ministry through a decade-long relationship. Dr. Chapman consults with congregations on a variety of topics ranging from revitalization to worship to marketing their churches. He married his husband, Greg (pastor of Enfield Congregational Church, United Church of Christ in Enfield, CT), in December of 2014 at Westfield. Jonathan is an award-winning stained glass artist.

While Rev. Jonathan is on call 24/7, his onsite Hours are Monday - Thursday, 9am-12pm. He is available Sunday by appointment. His days off are Friday and Saturday.

Find time with Rev. Jon by scanning the QR code or going to calendly.com/revjonchapman

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