

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany  
Scout Sunday  
February 8, 2026



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The Reverend Dina Carter Ishler, Rector

*"On my honor, I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; and to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight." -The Scout Oath*

Welcome, and God's peace be to you all, especially to our Scouts and families worshipping with us at St. Matthew's today on this Scout Sunday. We are so glad that you are here with us! As we worship during this season of Epiphany, we are celebrating that the true Light, now born among us, is continually being revealed to a world desperately in need of light to push back the darkness- this happens not only in our scripture stories but to all people in every time and every place. Epiphany calls us to the work of sharing this Light.

Please know you are always completely welcome here for everything we do- our fellowship, our mission and outreach activities, our weekday services, and our regular Sunday worship at 10am. We hope and pray you will find this to be one of your spiritual homes. Please do not hesitate to let us know what your needs are, so that we may continue to welcome you into our community. All our contact information is listed in this bulletin.

Our Worship follows the Episcopal tradition using the 1979 Book of Common Prayer and the Hymnal 1982, both of which you will find in the pew racks. We create a comprehensive bulletin for each service with the intention of making it easier to follow along and participate; if you need any assistance, please do not hesitate to ask someone near you. **You will need your Hymnal to sing the hymns and service music- both are intended to be sung by everyone!**

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. If you wish to receive communion, place your hands together to receive the bread and you may take a sip of wine directly from the chalice. We also have individual cups available that contain a small amount of wine and a wafer (the consecrated bread); please put your hands in front of you as if you were praying if you'd like this option. **Intinction (dipping the wafer in the chalice) is not permitted.** Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you wish to receive a blessing, please come forward to the altar and cross your arms. ***Blessings and love to you on this holy day and always- Mother Dina***

## Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10:00AM

(Directions to stand, kneel, etc., in our services should always be considered an invitation. If you find any of these to be challenging, please worship in whatever pose may work for you, knowing you are fully in God's presence.)

## The Ringing of the Bells

We ring the sacristy bells five minutes before each service to invite us into a respectful silence that settles our souls for this time of Spirit-filled worship.

## THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude Music      “Abide with me”      arr. Jason Tonioli

We begin today with our Scout Sunday Opening Ceremony.

Processional Hymn #362, The Hymnal 1982  
“Holy, holy, holy!”

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*  
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

*The people and Celebrant say together*  
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Song of Praise #135, The Hymnal 1982  
“Songs of thankfulness and praise”

## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

**The Lessons** *The people sit.*

**A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah:**

**Isaiah 58:1-9a, 9b-12**

Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,

to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me

and delight to know my ways,

as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness

and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;

they ask of me righteous judgments,

they delight to draw near to God.

“Why do we fast, but you do not see?

Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,

and oppress all your workers.

Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight

and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today

will not make your voice heard on high.

Is such the fast that I choose,

a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,

and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast,

a day acceptable to the LORD?

Is not this the fast that I choose:

to loose the bonds of injustice,

to undo the thongs of the yoke,

to let the oppressed go free,  
and to break every yoke?

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,  
and bring the homeless poor into your house;  
when you see the naked, to cover them,  
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,  
and your healing shall spring up quickly;  
your vindicator shall go before you,  
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.  
Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;  
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you,  
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,  
if you offer your food to the hungry  
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness  
and your gloom be like the noonday.

The LORD will guide you continually,  
and satisfy your needs in parched places,  
and make your bones strong;  
and you shall be like a watered garden,  
like a spring of water,  
whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;  
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;  
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,  
the restorer of streets to live in.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 112:1-9, 10   *Said in unison.***

1 Hallelujah!

Happy are they who fear the Lord \*  
and have great delight in his commandments!

- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; \*  
the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, \*  
and their righteousness will last forever.
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; \*  
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending \*  
and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 For they will never be shaken; \*  
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; \*  
their heart is right;  
they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, \*  
until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, \*  
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;  
they will hold up their head with honor.
- 10 The wicked will see it and be angry;  
they will gnash their teeth and pine away; \*  
the desires of the wicked will perish.

#### A Reading from 1 Corinthians 2:1-12, 13-16

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God

decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,  
nor the human heart conceived,  
what God has prepared for those who love him”—

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

“For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?”

But we have the mind of Christ.]

### The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God

Sequence Hymn #221, Lift Every Voice and Sing II  
“This Little Light of Mine”

1. This lit - tle light of mine, \_\_\_\_\_ I'm gon - na let it  
 2. Ev - 'ry - where I go, \_\_\_\_\_ I'm gon - na let it  
 3. Je - sus gave it to me, \_\_\_\_\_ I'm gon - na let it

Oh—

1. shine, \_\_\_\_\_ This lit - tle light of mine,  
 2. shine, \_\_\_\_\_ Ev - 'ry - where I go,  
 3. shine, \_\_\_\_\_ Je - sus gave it to me,  
 Oh \_\_\_\_\_

1. I'm gon - na let it shine; \_\_\_\_\_ This lit - tle light of  
 2. I'm gon - na let it shine; \_\_\_\_\_ Ev - 'ry - where I  
 3. I'm gon - na let it shine; \_\_\_\_\_ Je - sus gave it to  
 Oh \_\_\_\_\_

1. mine, \_\_\_\_\_ I'm gon - na let it shine, \_\_\_\_\_ Let it  
 2. go, \_\_\_\_\_ I'm gon - na let it shine, \_\_\_\_\_ Let it  
 3. me, \_\_\_\_\_ I'm gon - na let it shine, \_\_\_\_\_ Let it  
 Oh \_\_\_\_\_

1. shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
 2. shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
 3. shine, let it shine, let it shine.

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## The Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste,

how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled underfoot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### The Homily

Mother Dina

*A time of silence after the homily is held for reflection.*

The Nicene Creed *all stand and say together*

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand

of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son, he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### The Prayers of the People, Form II

BCP 385

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; For ++Sean, our Presiding Bishop; for +Audrey and +Kevin, our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Today in our Susquehanna Convocation Cycle of Prayer we pray for All Saints, Selinsgrove. In our Diocesan/Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Trinity, Athens; St. Paul's, Bloomsburg; St. John the Baptist, York. For the Diocese of Kajo Keji, we pray for St. Luke Bajur Parish. *Silence.*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations, especially President Donald Trump, our Governor Josh Shapiro, our Senator Lynda Schlegel Culver, our State Representative Mike Stender, and our Mayor Josh Broscious; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace. *Silence.*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble. *Silence.*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God.

Pray that they may find and be found by God. *Silence.*

I ask your prayers for Mother Dina and family, Father Fred and family, Frances, Angela, Tanya, Weston, Mike, the Sterner family, Dawson, Erika, Nancy, Becky, Easton, Ariella, Ereda, Junior, and Brendaly, AmberLynn, Daya, Arabella, Derick, Noelle, Dean, Fred, Tatum, Carol, Mary, Dennis, Ruby Faith, Linda, Abby, Beth,

Kelsey, Cyn, Karen, Sandy, Suzy, Robert, Dean, Sharon, Owen and family, and for those whose needs are known to God alone. Please pray for all healthcare workers, especially Dan, Kara, Melissa, Janice, and their co-workers, all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. Also, please pray for all serving in our military, especially **Ann, and Jayden**, law enforcement, and first responders.

I ask your prayers for all the departed, especially for John, Renee, Charolette, Alex, and Bill (Gubby).

Pray for those who have died. *Silence.*

I ask your thanksgivings either silently or aloud. *Silence.*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. *Silence.*  
*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Celebrant*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

*People* Amen.

**The Peace**

BCP 360

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

**Offertory Anthem**

AnneMarie Kidder, Carol Muehlig

“Share with the hungry your bread”

St. Matthew's Choir; Fran Zartman, flute

The Presentation of the Offerings #380, vs. 3, The Hymnal 1982

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**Eucharistic Prayer D**

BCP 367 (S-120, The Hymnal 1982)

The musical notation consists of three staves of music. The first staff shows the Celebrant's part: "The Lord be with you." The second staff shows the People's part: "And also with you." The third staff shows the Celebrant's part: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The fourth staff shows the People's part: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fifth staff shows the Celebrant's part: "It is right to give him thanks and praise."

*Celebrant*

*People*

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

*Celebrant*

*People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and forever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as

we sing:

**The Sanctus**

**S-129, The Hymnal 1982**

**"Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might"**

*The Celebrant continues*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again, you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose, he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is

my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*Celebrant and People*

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ.

Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember all who minister in your Church.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with **St. Matthew** and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. **AMEN.**



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### The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:  
**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

### The Fraction Anthem

#333, The Hymnal 1982

“Now the silence, now the peace”

*The Celebrant says*

These are the Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### Communion Hymns

#488, The Hymnal 1982

“Be thou my vision”

#812, Wonder Love and Praise

“I the Lord of the Sea and Sky”

*Unison*

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame,

I have heard my  
I have borne my  
I will tend the

peo - ple cry. All who dwell in deep - est sin My hand will  
peo - ple's pain. I have wept for love of them, They turn a -  
poor and lame. I will set a feast for them, My hand will

save. I who made the stars of night,  
way. I will break their hearts of stone,  
save. Fin - est bread I will pro - vide

I will make their dark - ness bright. Who will bear my  
 Give them hearts for love a - lone. I will speak my  
 Till their hearts be sat - is - fied. I will give my

light to them? Whom shall I send?  
 word to them. Whom shall I send?  
 life to them. Whom shall I send?

*Refrain*

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have

heard you call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord,

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### Prayer for Spiritual Communion *All pray together*

Dearest Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since we all cannot receive communion in the consecrated bread and wine, we pray you to come into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with our hearts, souls, and minds. Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

### Post Communion Prayer

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The Celebrant says Let us pray.

Celebrant and People Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you,

and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

### **The Epiphany Blessing**

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord. **Amen.**

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-Begotten One at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth. **Amen.**

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts.  
**Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

**Recessional Hymn** #542, The Hymnal 1982  
“Christ is the world’s true Light”

**The Dismissal** *The Celebrant dismisses the People*  
Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit,  
Alleluia, Alleluia!  
**People** Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Postlude Music** “Shine, Jesus, shine” Graham Kendricks

### Serving today's liturgy

The Reverend Dina Carter Ishler, *Celebrant and Preacher*

Patrick Ishler, *Music Minister*; St. Matthew’s Choir

Fran Zartman, *Flute*; Mary Ann Loftus, *Thurifer*

Roy Casey and Dana Kelly, *Eucharistic Ministers*

David Hollabaugh, *SubDeacon and Prayers of the People*

AmberLynn Kuczynski, Danny & Jacob Renn, *Worship Assistants*

Barry Treon, *Greeter and Usher*

*Thank you to our Scouts and their families for their participation  
in today's service, and to our community for supporting them!*

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## PARISH NOTES for February 8, 2026

**COLE ALLEN DIAPER PANTRY:** The next Diaper Pantry will be Saturday, Mar. 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026 from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. We're in need of volunteers to distribute diapers. Please contact Connie Kistler at [kistinpa@ptd.net](mailto:kistinpa@ptd.net). Monetary donations are very much welcomed, please give in an envelope labeled "Diaper Pantry." Donations of diaper wipes, pull-ups, and sizes 5 and 6 are so appreciated and urgently needed- We covered 108 baby bottoms in January!

**HIS DISCIPLES FOOD PANTRY:** Is the last Saturday of each month. Please contact John Blanchard, 570-286-5415, leave message to volunteer. Donations of canned soups, cereals, and canned fruit are welcome. **We fed 26 families in January!** The next Food Pantry will be held Saturday, February 28, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. **Any donations are greatly appreciated!**

**CARLA'S OFFICE HOURS:** Office hours are Tuesday and Wednesday, 10AM to 2PM, and Thursday, 10AM to Noon.

**MOTHER DINA'S OFFICE HOURS:** Tuesdays, 11:30am until 5pm or so. Call, text, or email me any time to plan a conversation, pastoral visit, or to share any other need you may have. **I love hearing from you!**

**ALTAR SERVERS:** St. Matthew's is always looking to include new altar servers of all ages for the ministries of: **Eucharistic Minister, Crucifer, Torch Bearers, Lector, Thurifer, etc.** Please contact Mother Dina if interested in participating in these or ANY of our other ministries!

**CHOIR REHEARSAL:** Rehearsals will continue to be Thursday evenings at 5:30pm. All are welcome to join us - **NO MUSICAL EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!**

**COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS:** Volunteers are needed each month to sign up for a weekly coffee hour session. Sign-up sheets are posted in the Choir Room. Any questions, please contact Carol Hixson. This month's sign-ups are:

Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>- **Scouts & Breakfast**  
Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>- Anissa

Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>- Tina M.

**YOGA CLASSES:** Yoga classes will be held in the Social Hall every Thursday at 7:00PM. \$5.00 per class.

**WEEKDAY SERVICE:** Our weekday service of Holy Eucharist will be held on Wednesdays at Noon. All are welcome!

**COMPLINE SERVICE:** Please join us for these evening services on Wednesdays, 8:00PM, in the Church, on Zoom, or Facebook live. David Hollabaugh will be officiating. Zoom link is listed here:

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/88684946715?pwd=xvTfSYXhJjn6ce8ANK1pqbbG6ANEeX.1#success>

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:** Please notify Elaine Schlegel, or the Parish Administrator, Carla Treon, of anyone who needs prayers so they may be added for next upcoming Sunday.

**MONTHLY MORNING BREAKFAST:** The monthly morning breakfast will be held on Feb. 8th at 9:00AM-10:00AM. **THIS IS A CHANGE SO THAT OUR SCOUTS CAN JOIN US!**

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY:** Adult Bible Study starts at 9:00AM on Feb. 15th. Any questions, please contact Nathan Blanchard.

**PANCAKE DINNER:** "All You Can Eat," Tuesday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026; 4:00PM - 6:30PM, FREE WILL OFFERING – Proceeds go to Episcopal Relief Fund.

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES:** On Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, services will be held at Noon and again at 7:00PM. We'll also be doing Ashes to Go- please let Mother Dina know if you'd like to help with this!

**VESTRY MEETING:** The month's Vestry Meeting will be Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> at 6PM instead of Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, due to Ash Wednesday services.

**UP-COMING MONTHLY EVENTS:** Details to follow closer to the time of the events. Please visit our website for more information

**Sun., Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>:** Scout Sunday **AND** Morning Breakfast, 9:00AM

**Weds., Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>:** Weekday Eucharist, Noon; Compline, 8:00PM

**Sun., Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>:** Adult Bible Study, 9AM

**Tues., Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>:** Pancake Dinner, Free Will Offering, 4:00PM-6:30PM

**Weds., Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>:** Ash Wednesday, Imposition of Ashes and Holy Eucharist, Noon and 7pm. Ashes to Go, details to follow.

**Wed., Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>:** Weekday Eucharist, Noon

**Wed., Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>:** Lenten Wednesday including Compline, 6:00PM, Social

**VESTRY MEMBERS:** Fran Zartman, *Senior Warden*; Mary Ann Loftus, *Clerk of the Vestry*; Nate Blanchard; Anissa DeCapria-

Sanduta, Ric Haines, Carter Ishler, Dana Kelly; Pete Kistler, Tina McGee, Matthew Strauser. **SEXTON:** Sharon Baney

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# CUB SCOUTS 3309 & BOY SCOUT TROOP 309 NAMES

## Cub Pack 3309

**Cubmaster:** Christina Herrold

**Committee Chairperson:** Wanda Simpson

**Leaders:** RoseAnn Klinger, Kristi Swigart, Julie Moore

**Lions-** Cade Herrold

**Tigers-** Colton Hunt, Triston Hunt

**Wolves-** August Dux

**Bears-** Emmett Lehman, Eleanor Delbo

**Webelos-** Elijah Moore, Fletcher Derk

Cooper Herrold, Oliver Klinger

**Arrow of Light-** Bennett Swigart, Geneva Shull

Alexander Oyster, Jameson Hunt

Connor Mandelko

## Boy Scout Troop 309

**Scoutmaster:** Julie Moore

**Asst. Scoutmaster-** Sabrina Parker

**Committee Chairperson:** Wanda Simpson

**Scouts:** Rudy Apfelbaum, Vladimir Edmond

Joshua Herrold, Aiden Mills, Wyatt Mills

Brandon Moore, Athan Parker

Steven Rims, Jaxton Scholl

Connor Swigart, Cyren Swigart