

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

*Our Father which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY                      Sing, Praise, and Bless the Lord                      Jack Brooks

\*DOXOLOGY #607

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

—Sending—

\*HYMN # 724                      O Jesus, I Have Promised

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE                      Nyland                      Jack Brooks

*You may be seated after the light passes you in the aisle.*



Debbi Ricci.....Administrative Assistant  
Jack Brooks .....Guest Organist

*Serving God,  
Honoring Creation,  
Embracing Differences*



(\*) Please rise in body or in spirit  
*Bold Italic Letters* indicate congregational response

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, HENDERSON, TX  
3rd Sunday after Epiphany  
January 25, 2026

—Gathering—

PRELUDE O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee Jack Brooks  
WELCOME Liturgist: Jan Pennal

\*CALL TO WORSHIP  
The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?  
We gather in the presence of God. Let us open our hearts and minds in worship.

\*HYMN# 721 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
*Gracious God, when despair and suffering overwhelm us, we cry out for you and feel abandoned. We doubt your presence and your promises. We believe you have turned away from us in anger. We ask why you have forsaken us. In these moments, strengthen us in faith and fill our hearts with courage. We believe, God. Help our unbelief. Amen.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
\*GLORIA PATRI #581  
*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.*

—Word—

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION  
FIRST READING Isaiah 9:1-4 Bible p. 600, LG p. 780  
SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 Bible p. 155, LG p. 201-202  
The Word of the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God.*

GOSPEL READING Matthew 4:12-23 Bible p. 3, LG p. 4  
The Word of God for the people of God.  
*Thanks be to God.*  
SERMON We Belong Together Rev. Jim Dees

—Response—

\*HYMN # 69 Here I Am, Lord  
\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from a Brief Statement of Faith)  
*We trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.  
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,  
sets us free to accept ourselves  
and to love God and neighbor,  
and binds us together with all believers  
in the one body of Christ, the Church.  
The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles  
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,  
engages us through the Word proclaimed,  
claims us in the waters of baptism,  
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,  
and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.  
In a broken and fearful world  
the Spirit gives us courage  
to pray without ceasing,  
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,  
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,  
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,  
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.  
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,  
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
and to live holy and joyful lives,  
even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth,  
praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”*

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS