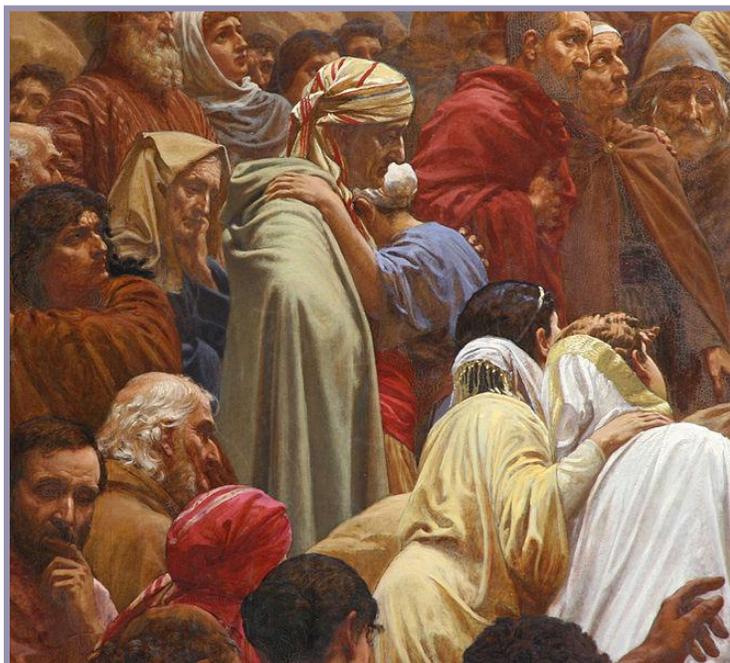


WILLOW CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FEBRUARY 1TH, 2026 | FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY | 10:00AM



OUR APPROACH TO GOD

Come, celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ with us! All are invited to sing, pray and participate in liturgy.

IF YOU ARE ABLE, WE INVITE YOU TO HONOR GOD BY STANDING.

PRELUDE

BLEST ARE THEY
Tom Andrew, Organ

DAVID HAAS

WELCOME AND SHARING

REV. LAUREN PATRUS-BETZEL

IF CALL TO WORSHIP FROM PSALM 15

REBEKAH LANDI

O Lord, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy mountain?

Those who walk blamelessly.

Those who do what is right and speak the truth from their heart.

Those who do no evil to their friends and do not heap shame upon their neighbors.

Those who fear the Lord; who stand by their oath even to their hurt.

Those who do these things shall never be moved. Come, let us worship God!

IF HYMN #370

THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD

BABCOCK, 1901; SHEPPARD, 1915; BARNES, 1926

INVITATION TO CONFESSION & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God, we confess that we feel rather comfortable in our goodness - we generally treat others well and we usually don't lose our patience. We make mistakes from time to time, but surely not such big mistakes that you need to be concerned. Will you free us from pretending to not need your grace? This pretense only creates distance between our heart and yours. Will you close the distance once again, and show us the dark places within, along with your grace?

A PERIOD OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON FROM 1 CORINTHIANS 1

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing,
but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord! We proclaim Christ crucified!

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

I GLORIA PATRI

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.

I PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

May the Peace of Christ be with you; **And also with you.**

INVITATION TO THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING MICAH 6:1 - 8

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This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

HEALING RAIN

SMITH, SMITH, AND BRONLEWE

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

GOSPEL READING MATTHEW 4:23 - 5:12

STEPHEN CLARK

The Gospel of our Risen Savior. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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SERMON

"WHAT IS GOOD"

OUR RESPONSE TO SERVE

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

I HYMN #727

WILL YOU LET ME BE YOUR SERVANT
The Servant Song

RICHARD GILLARD, 1977; ARR. BETTY PULKINGHAM

I AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – THE NICENE CREED

**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,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

REDEMPTION

JASON SYTSMA

I DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessing flow; Praise God all creatures here Below;
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

I PRAYER OF DEDICATION

I HYMN #70

WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE OF YOU?

JIM STRATHDEE, 1986

*What does the Lord require of you? What does the Lord require of you?
Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.
To seek justice and love kindness and walk humbly with your God.*

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

PASTOR TANYA MUZZARELLI

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

COMMUNION

*We hold the bread and partake together, celebrating that Christ joins us into one united body.
We drink the cup as it comes to us, rejoicing that Christ comes to us as individuals and loves us just as we are.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION AND 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors, lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and glory forever. Amen.

I HYMN #23

GOD, YOU SPIN THE WHIRLING PLANETS

JANE PARKER HUBER, 1978; RICHARD PROULX, 1986

I CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SERVED TODAY! GREETER: SHANNON REAGAN
LITURGIST: REBEKAH LANDI | USHERS: JOHN REID AND ED ROTTMAN
ACOLYTES: KAILEY BERG AND EMMA LANDI

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A Note on the Cover Image from Pastor Lauren: *The Sermon on the Mount, which begins with today's Matthew 5 scripture lesson, the Beatitudes, has inspired artists throughout time and around the world. Many works on this topic show Jesus surrounded by people who appear peaceful, clean, and even wealthy. Scripture tells a different story. The audience for this first sermon from Jesus in Matthew are those who are suffering from all kinds of illnesses, injuries and isolating conditions. In this detail from his "Sermon on the Mount", Orlik captures the reality of the people on the mountain with Jesus.*

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAE February 8th Please bring one (or more) cans of soup for the Food Pantry and enjoy ice cream sundaes for Fellowship! Wear your favorite football team's jersey or colors to celebrate!

The Session of Willow Creek Presbyterian Church of Argyle calls the **Annual Meeting** of the Congregation to follow worship on **Sunday 2/15/26** for the purpose of receiving the 2026 Annual Report and the 2026 budget.

BROWNIE BAKE-OFF On **February 15th** bring your best brownies for Coffee Fellowship! And bring your change! We'll vote for our favorites with our coins - whichever brownies earns the most money, wins! Proceeds go to the *Family in Need Fund*.

WEEKLY CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday 1st	10a	Worship, 11a Fellowship, 11:15a F/P/E, 11:30 Youth Group, 11:30a Deacon's Meeting
Tuesday 3rd	6p	Pipe Band, 6:30p Session
Wednesday 4th	8a	Men's Coffee at Boone County Family Restaurant
Thursday 5th	6p	Bell Choir Rehearsal
Sunday 8th	10a	Worship, 10:30a Children's Sunday School, 11a Fellowship - Super Bowl Sundae

"A Faith Community, Growing Together, Sharing the love of Christ"

MINISTERS: ALL MEMBERS OF THE BODY OF CHRIST

For more information about our staff and volunteers, visit our website.

The Church Office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:30a - 1p.

If you'd like to set up a time to visit Pastor Lauren, please reach out to the Church Office.

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