



ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, January 25th, 2026, 10:00am

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

(* = Please rise in body or spirit)(MV = More Voices)
 (VU =Voices United)(TS = Then Let Us Sing)

Music as We Gather

Gathering

* **Congregational Introit:** "I am the Light" VU #87 vs.1

Lighting of the Outreach, Unity and Christ Candles

Recognition of the Land

Welcome and Announcements

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Centring Music

Call to Worship

Children of God, when fears press in on every side, we can
 proclaim with confidence:

God is our light and salvation! Whom shall we fear?

When our problems overwhelm us and we feel pressed in on
 every side, we can declare with confidence:

**God is the stronghold of our lives! Of whom shall we
 be afraid?**

No matter the troubles we face, we seek after God and to live
 in the house of God forever.

God shelters and protects us in the day of trouble.
 Come, let us worship God with joy.

* **Hymn:** "Arise, Your Light is Come" VU #79

Opening Prayer

Listening

Learning With Our Children

***Hymn:** "Like a Rock" MV #92

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture:

Isaiah 9:1-4..... *The people have seen a great light*

Matthew 4:12-23..... Jesus begins his ministry

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem: **Come Now and Follow Me** *by Price and Besig*
offered by the Orchard Valley United Church Choir

Message: "We Don't Call It Catching" *Rev. Don Sellsted*

***Hymn:** "Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" VU #563

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

***Offertory Hymn:**

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" VU #541

***Offertory Prayer:**

**Generous God, those who first followed Jesus, have
 called us to follow you as well and here we are. We
 offer what we have and ask you to bless our gifts. Give**

us the courage we need to invite others to join us in following Jesus, our friend and rabbi. Amen.

Prayers of the People

***Hymn:** "Will You Come and Follow Me" VU #567

***Commissioning / Extinguishing the Candles**

***Benediction**

The God of forgiveness bless you,
the grace of Christ keep you,
and the wisdom of the Holy Spirit strengthen you.
Let us go now in peace, to love and to serve.
And the people said ... **AMEN!**

* **Sung Benediction:** "Threefold Amen" VU #967

Postlude

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