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"You will seek me and find me when you seek me
with all your heart."

Jeremiah 29:13

Second Sunday after Christmas

"2 Queens"

Jeremiah 23:5

Sharing God's Love Since 1878
United Church of Christ Congregational
Spearfish, South Dakota

**Spearfish United Church of Christ Congregational
Second Sunday after Christmas**

January 4, 2026

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

WELCOME to our service today. We hope you find this time of worship meaningful and uplifting, and will join us again soon. Please join us for refreshments in Fellowship Hall after the service.

***All who are able may stand.**

Please wear your nametags & turn off your cell phones.

Prelude Emma McKirdy-Wilsey
(Please use this time to prepare your heart for worship.)

***Choral Call to Worship** *Surely the Presence of the Lord*
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel his mighty power and his grace.
I can hear the brush of angels' wings,
I see glory on each face;
surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

***Call to Worship**

Liturgist: Gather from East and West, from North and South.
God is calling us; listen, for God is naming you.

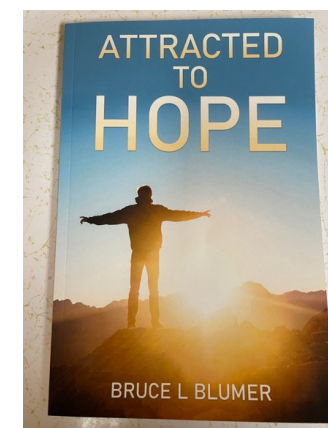
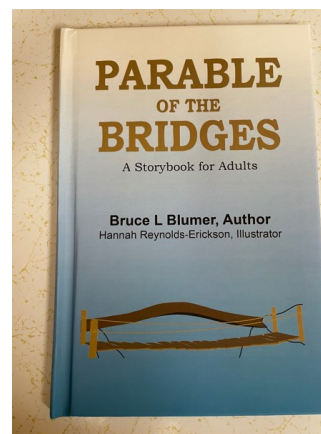
Congregation: The voice of God thunders through our midst. The voice of God is powerful and full of majesty.

Liturgist: Bow in awe before the one who created you. God knows you completely, yet accepts you.

Congregation: The voice of God commands our attention. The voice of God is like fire and tornado.

Liturgist: God reaches out to strengthen, not condemn us.
God brings us through terror to a place of peace.

Congregation: Ascribe to God's glory and strength.
Worship God in awe, wonder, and joy!



Author Bruce Blumer will be preaching on **Sunday, January 11th**. Books are on the back table in the Sanctuary if you would like to purchase them. All proceeds go to Bruce's mission in Haiti - "Haiti Alive." The cost is \$15 for both books. Cash is fine, or checks can be made out to Haiti Alive.



We're having a Potluck Dinner to honor Pastor Randy's time as our pastor! It will be held after services on **Sunday, January 11**. There is no sign up sheet for this potluck - bring whatever you like. Please join us for this special event!

~ JANUARY 2026 CALENDAR ~

Thurs	1/1		New Year's Day — office closed —
Sun	1/4	9:30 am	Worship/Fellowship (no communion)
Tues	1/6	9:00 am	Coffee Time/Bible Study at BK
Sun	1/11	9:30 am	Worship/Fellowship Potluck dinner after service
Tues	1/13	9:00 am	Coffee Time/Bible Study at BK
Sun	1/18	9:30 am	Worship/Fellowship
Mon	1/19		Martin Luther King Jr Day — office closed —
Tues	1/20	9:00 am	Coffee Time/Bible Study at BK
Wed	1/21	1:00 pm	Women's Fellowship
Thurs	1/22	5:00 pm	Grief Support Group
Sun	1/25	9:30 am	Worship/Fellowship Council meeting after service
Tues	1/27	9:00 am	Coffee Time/Bible Study at BK
		10:00 am	February Inspire Deadline
Thurs	1/29	5:00 pm	Grief Support Group

***Hymn** *Arise, Your Light Is Come* No. 164

Invocation (unison)

God of cleansing waters and purifying fires, touch our lives today to recall us to the power of our baptism and reconfirm our commitment to Jesus Christ. Name us again as your own people: precious, gifted, created to glorify you in fullness of life, in peace with ourselves and one another. Send your Holy Spirit once more to energize our worship and enliven our witness in the world. Hear us as we pray for one another and for your church in every place. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed Pg. 881

***Unison Response** *Glory to the Creator* No. 759

Glory to the Creator

The Christ, the Holy Spirit, Three in One;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

Welcome and Opportunities

Call to Prayer FWS No. 2193

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Pastoral Prayer, Prayer of Our Savior & Amen

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.

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**And lead us not into temptation.
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Liturgist: God has gathered us from East and West, from North and South, to offer our best in worship and praise. Now we bring the fruits of our labor as an offering of thanks. We invest in people and programs, near and far, to benefit God's scattered children.

Offertory Emma McKirdy-Wilsey

***A Doxology** *Praise God* No. 780
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***Unison Prayer of Dedication**

For bringing us safely to this hour, we give you thanks, O God of wind and fire. May our offerings honor you. May our lives reflect your mercy. May our hands bestow on others the blessings we have received. May our prayers unite us with one another and with Christ, in whose name we celebrate the privilege of giving. Amen.

***Hymn** *As with Gladness Those of Old* No. 159

Prayer for Illumination (unison)

God of gifts and blessings, who opened the heavens to the prayers of Jesus, send your Spirit among us that we, too, may learn to please you as your beloved children. Baptize us with the Holy Spirit and with fire so our lips may sing to your glory and our hands reach out to heal and bless your people, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Scripture Jeremiah 23:5

Sermon "2 Queens" Glenn Umphrey

***Closing Hymn** *Go Tell It on the Mountain* No. 154

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction** *Benediction* C. Barrows
**May God's blessings surround you today,
as you trust Him and walk in His way;
May His presence within guard and keep you from sin,
Go in peace, go in joy, go in love.**

***Postlude** Emma McKirdy-Wilsey

Prayer List: World, National, and Local leaders. Paula Cotrill; Rodger, Michele (parents), and Dylan Slott (spinal cord injury); Mel Cooper (for successful surgeries – Rich and Sharon's daughter, friend of Dana Eberhard); Grayson Chapeau; Pat Patterson (cancer); Rhian Elmid (sponsored child); Elsie Hanson; Angie Riggs (friend of Lorie Umphrey – 3rd round of cancer battle); Les Turgeon; June Klinkel; Lorrie Loobey (Jo Hansen's sister) and Martina Loobey (Jo Hansen's niece) for health concerns; Marna Bergstrom for recovery.

Please let Shirley B know of any updates or additions. Thank you!

Notice: Beginning January 1, 2026 the new office hours will be from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon Monday through Friday.