



# WELCOME

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## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

**18th January 2026**

**Welcome Song** (see below)

### Entrance

64 Be thou my vision

### Before the Gospel

41 As we are gathered (x2)

### Offertory

67 Blessed assurance

### Communion

40 As the deer pants for the water

272 Holy, holy, holy is the Lord

### Final

290 I danced in the morning



### WELCOME SONG

Happy to share, happy to share,  
Our blessings with one another.  
That's why we are here.

### COLLECT

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end:  
bring us with the whole creation to  
your glory, hidden through past ages and  
made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### FOR OUR PRAYERS:

Janet & Jason and we pray for those who  
have recently died, and their families.

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God of glory, you nourish us with your  
Word who is the bread of life: fill us with  
your Holy Spirit that through us the light  
of your glory may shine in all the world.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ  
our Lord.

## PRAYER & OUTREACH GROUP

There is a prayer meeting at the church on the **first Tuesday of every month** at 10:30. The next one will be **Tuesday 3 February 2026** at 10:30.



## ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

We restart **Wednesday 21 January 2026**. You are very welcome to join!  
Meeting ID: 849 2977 1613  
Password: 356850



## CHILDREN IN CHURCH

We're so grateful for the presence of children in our worship. Our hybrid Lady Chapel is available as a sensory space for children with additional needs and can also be used for parents and carers to take babies and very young children. For children of school age, a colouring table is provided at the back of the church. They can also use the chapel for careful play before and after the service.

To help these spaces work well for everyone, parents/carers are asked to stay with their children in the chapel after the collect and return after intercession prayer, or keep an eye on their child at the colouring table, ensuring noise is a minimum especially during the sermon and intercessions. Thank you for your care and cooperation.

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

### ***Monday 19 January***

Hall: 09:30-11:30 - Toddler Group  
Church: 15:30 - 18:00 - Homework Club  
Hall: 17:30 - 18:30 - Rainbows  
Hall: 18:30 - 20:00 - Brownies

### ***Tuesday 20 January***

Hall: 18:30 – 20:00 - Pilates

### ***Wednesday 21 January***

Church: 09:30-11:30 - Toddler Group  
**Online: 17:00 - Bible study**

### ***Thursday 22 January***

Hall: 18:30 - 20:30 - Guides

### ***Friday 23 January***

Hall 18:30 - 20:00 - Learning & Physical Disabilities Club

### ***Saturday 24 January***

Hall: 09:00-17:00 - 7th Day Adventists

### ***Sunday 25 January***

Church: 10:00 - Holy Communion  
Hall: 13:00-17:00 - I AM Church

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### ***Tuesday 3 February***

Church: 10:30 - Prayer & Outreach group

### ***Wednesday 4 February***

Hall: 12:00 - 1:30 - **Food bank**

### ***Wednesday 25 February***

Hall: 12:00 - 1:30 - Food bank

# The Old Testament Reading

*The Old Testament reading is from: **Isaiah 49: 1 - 7***

Listen to me, all you in distant lands!

Pay attention, you who are far away!

The Lord called me before my birth;

from within the womb he called me by name.

<sup>2</sup> He made my words of judgment as sharp as a sword.

He has hidden me in the shadow of his hand.

I am like a sharp arrow in his quiver.

<sup>3</sup> He said to me, “You are my servant, Israel,

and you will bring me glory.”

<sup>4</sup> I replied, “But my work seems so useless!

I have spent my strength for nothing and to no purpose.

Yet I leave it all in the Lord’s hand;

I will trust God for my reward.”

<sup>5</sup> And now the Lord speaks—

the one who formed me in my mother’s womb to be his servant,

who commissioned me to bring Israel back to him.

The Lord has honored me,

and my God has given me strength.

<sup>6</sup> He says, “You will do more than restore the people of Israel to me.

I will make you a light to the Gentiles,

and you will bring my salvation to the ends of the earth.”

<sup>7</sup> The Lord, the Redeemer

and Holy One of Israel,

says to the one who is despised and rejected by the nations,

to the one who is the servant of rulers:

“Kings will stand at attention when you pass by.

Princes will also bow low

because of the Lord, the faithful one,

the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**All: Thanks be to God.**

# The Gospel Reading

*The Gospel reading is from: **John 1: 29 - 42***

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **John**.*

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>29</sup> The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup> He is the one I was talking about when I said, ‘A man is coming after me who is far greater than I am, for he existed long before me.’ <sup>31</sup> I did not recognize him as the Messiah, but I have been baptizing with water so that he might be revealed to Israel.”

<sup>32</sup> Then John testified, “I saw the Holy Spirit descending like a dove from heaven and resting upon him. <sup>33</sup> I didn’t know he was the one, but when God sent me to baptize with water, he told me, ‘The one on whom you see the Spirit descend and rest is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>34</sup> I saw this happen to Jesus, so I testify that he is the Chosen One of God.”

<sup>35</sup> The following day John was again standing with two of his disciples. <sup>36</sup> As Jesus walked by, John looked at him and declared, “Look! There is the Lamb of God!”

<sup>37</sup> When John’s two disciples heard this, they followed Jesus.

<sup>38</sup> Jesus looked around and saw them following. “What do you want?” he asked them.

They replied, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?”

<sup>39</sup> “Come and see,” he said. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon when they went with him to the place where he was staying, and they remained with him the rest of the day.

<sup>40</sup> Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of these men who heard what John said and then followed Jesus. <sup>41</sup> Andrew went to find his brother, Simon, and told him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means “Christ”).

<sup>42</sup> Then Andrew brought Simon to meet Jesus. Looking intently at Simon, Jesus said, “Your name is Simon, son of John—but you will be called Cephas” (which means “Peter”).

*This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**