

# A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

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February 8, 2026

10:00 a.m.

## WE GATHER IN CHRIST'S NAME

CHIMES

(As one body, let us now pause in silence to focus on worship)

PRELUDE

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

Dale Wood

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

INTROIT

“Praise God, All You Nations”

Alfred V. Fedak

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Leader:** In a world filled with many voices and many claims,

**People: We come seeking God's truth.**

**Leader:** Long ago, Pilate asked, “What is truth?”

**People: And Jesus answered with a life of love.**

**Leader:** He showed us truth through mercy and courage,

**People: Through compassion and faithfulness.**

**Leader:** When fear clouds our vision,

**People: God calls us back to what is real and life-giving.**

**Leader:** When power tempts us to compromise,

**People: God invites us to walk in integrity.**

**Leader:** We gather to listen for God's voice,

**People: To learn from Christ's example,**

**Leader:** And to be shaped by the Spirit,

**People: So we may live truthfully in the world.**

**Leader:** Come, let us worship the living God,

**People: And follow Jesus in the way of love and truth. Amen.**

**\*HYMN**

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

No. 451

**CALL TO RENEWAL** 1 John 1:9

Lydia Brigham

“Anyone who claims to be in the light but hates his neighbor is still in the darkness.” Let us confess our sins to God and to one another...

**PRAYER OF RENEWAL (IN UNISON)**

Lydia Brigham

**Faithful and gracious God, You are the source of all that is true and good. We confess that we**

**often look for truth in easy answers and familiar opinions, instead of in your transforming**

**wisdom. We confess that we sometimes ask, “What is truth?” without being willing to live it.**

**Forgive us, O God. In Christ, you have shown us what truth looks like in human life—a life of**

**humility, justice, courage, and compassion. Renew us by your Spirit. Align our hearts with your**

**purposes. Heal what is divided within us and among us. Make us one in love, one in commitment,**

**one in hope. Send us out as followers of Christ, living honestly, serving generously, loving boldly,**

**and seeking peace. We pray in gratitude and trust, through the One who showed us your way.**

**Amen.**

**SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION**

**GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS**

Lydia Brigham

As far as the east is from the west, so have our sins been separated from us. They have been thrown into the sea of forgetfulness, and there, they are remembered no more.

**Our thanks be to God!**

**\*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 and amen.*

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ, be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us greet each other saying; ‘May the peace of Christ be with you.’

**OFFERTORY**

“Chorale”

Mahnke

**\*DOXOLOGY** *Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him, all creatures here below.*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## WE LISTEN FOR CHRIST'S WORD

**SCRIPTURE READING**

John 18:28-49

**RESPONSE**

May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart,

be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer. (Ps. 19:14)

**Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**

“The Ring of Truth?”

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

**ANTHEM**

“God is Calling Through the Whisper” Mary Louise Bringle (Polish Carol Melody)

## WE RESPOND TO CHRIST'S WORD

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## WE GO FORTH TO SERVE IN CHRIST'S NAME

**\*HYMN**

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

No. 729

**\*BENEDICTION**

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

**CHORAL BENEDICTION**

“Amen”

John Stainer

**POSTLUDE**

“Trumpet Tune”

Paul Frey

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\*Please stand if able

**SERVING TODAY**

**Liturgist** – Lydia Brigham

**Coffee Hour** – Brenda Bergman & Colleen Smith

**PRAYER LIST**

Please pray for: Those affected by natural disasters and ongoing wars; Peter C. Jackson; Blanca Campbell and Jim Nina; Jill Tuttle Albiani; Jackie Tuttle; Barry and Benetta Taylor; Rev. John Moore; Jim Preston; Kathy Zarchin; Teri Brennan; Carol Taplin; Barbara Preston; Albert Cyr; Sharon Gibbs; For the peace and comfort for the family and friends of Andrew Ogar, Paul Surerus, and Linda Bonaccorso  
*We will gladly list names of any individuals in need of prayer. You may share names by turning in a note from the pew or by emailing the church office prior to Thursday a.m.*

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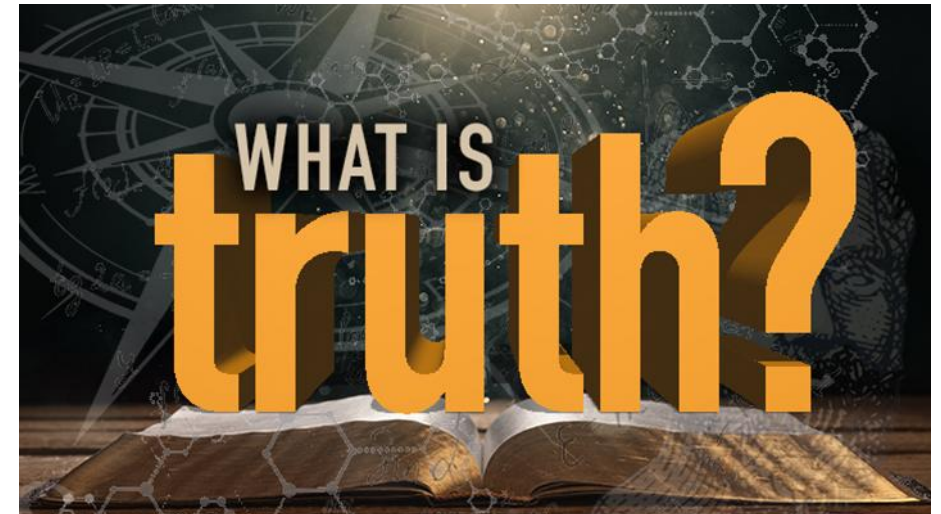
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# Shelter Island Presbyterian Church

February 8, 2026

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany



<b>Session Team - Church Elders</b>
Class of 2025: Laurie Fanelli
Class of 2026: Heather Reylek/ Laura Nelsen/ Pamela Jackson
Class of 2027: Marty Kappauf / Gary Kagawa / Ellen Gove
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Class of 2025: Marianne Baird/ Alison Binder/ Sharon Donno/ Lynn Thomson
Class of 2026: Roswitha Wissemann/ Brenda Bergman
Class of 2027: Dana Hallman / Katherine Roberts / Colleen Smith
<b>Congregational Nominating Team</b>
Class of 2025: Heather Reylek / Lynn Thomson / Cindy Griffin / Lynne Weikart

<b><u>This Week</u></b>		
<b>Feb. 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Annual Meeting of the Congregation</b>	<b>11:00</b>
Feb. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Nutrition Program	7:00-1:00
Feb. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Food Pantry	4:00-6:00
Feb. 11 <sup>th</sup>	Meals on Wheels	7:00-11:00
Feb. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Bible Study	10:00
Feb. 13 <sup>th</sup>	Nutrition Program	7:00-1:00
	Food Pantry	10:00-1:00
Feb. 15 <sup>th</sup>	Friends of Music Concert	3:00

**Shelter Island Presbyterian Church Mission Statement:**

“We envision the Shelter Island Presbyterian Church as a spiritual heart of our small island community -- a congregation that keeps its doors open to all and offers service and support to friends, neighbors, and visitors from beyond our shores. We will encourage the spiritual growth of our church’s people in Jesus Christ through worship, service to others, stewardship, study and fellowship with one another. We will work to increase our spiritOual engagement with youth, young families and our growing senior population. Inspired by God’s Word, we look forward to our future with faith and confidence in God’s purpose for us. AS WE BELIEVE, SO WE DO.”

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