

WELCOME!

Please check-in for worship using the Church Center phone app or at the kiosks in Crossroads and Christian Life Center (CLC). If you are a first-time guest, scan QR code for our **I'm New Card**.



ABOUT APEX UMC

VISION: With God's help we are becoming a diverse, multi-generational community so unified by our love for God and one another that others are drawn to become Christ followers. We are centered in Scripture and empowered by the Holy Spirit. We invite all to join us in our passionate desire to follow Christ so that together we are transformed and prepared to serve as God calls us.

MISSION: Inviting & equipping all to follow Jesus in transforming the world.

Find out more about Apex UMC at: apexumc.org/about-us/

WORSHIP

We have traditional worship services on Sunday at 8:15 & 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary and a contemporary worship service on Sunday at 9:35 a.m. in the Christian Life Center (CLC).

Sunday School: 9:35 a.m. for Children, Youth & Adults! (Discipleship Center)

Children - ages 3 (by Aug. 31) through 5th grade

Youth - students from 6th-8th grade

Nursery: Stepping Stones for birth-3 years, available at 9:35 & 11 a.m. worship.

Children's Church: 3 years - 1st grade during 11 a.m. service. (Print name badge in Crossroads).

Youth Ministry: Sunday evenings, 6 – 8 p.m., students from 6th-12th grade.

Sympathy is extended to Laura Kiper on the passing of her mother; Laura Hicks on the passing of her mother; Phil Tillerson on the passing of his wife Nancy; Brandon Hart on the passing of his father.

Confidential prayer requests can be made online at apexumc.org/prayer

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by John and Zonna Harriett for all the blessings He has bestowed upon us.

SERMON SERIES

Finding the Sacred in the Everyday

In this new year, let us re-commit our lives to Christ by examining our daily behaviors. What ways is God showing up in our daily routines? What ways can we find the sacred in the everyday? As we follow the pattern of our day from waking up in the morning to turning out the lights at night, we will become more aware of the way God is present in our day-to-day lives. To find out more about our congregational care moment, email congregationalcare@apexumc.org



Scripture Card: January 18 - 24

S: John 1:29-42

M: Exodus 12:1-13

T: Isaiah 53:1-12

W: Matthew 9:14-17

Th: Galatians 1:11-24

F: Galatians 2:1-10

S: Luke 5:27-32



Please Recycle After Worship.

TRADITIONAL ORDER OF WORSHIP

2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

8:15 & 11 a.m., Sanctuary

January 18, 2026

** Please stand as you are able.*

WELCOME

PRELUDE

How Firm a Foundation (8:15)
Fantasy on Kingsfold (11:00)

Page
Wagner

* PASSING THE PEACE

* GREETING

Psalm 40:1-3

I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog.

He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord.

* HYMN OF PRAISE

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

UMH 140

* OPENING PRAYER

Holy God, you sent your son to be the light of the world, so that all may know the brightness of your love. Fill us with grace this day, that we too may bear witness to his light and serve your coming reign. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as Your scriptures are read and Your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what You say to us today. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 49:1-7

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (11:00)

THE SECOND LESSON

John 1:29-42

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

Pastor Laura Katherine Stern

RESPONSES AND OFFERINGS

* HYMN OF RESPONSE

O Jesus, I Have Promised

UMH 396

* THE APOSTLES' CREED

UMH 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

* 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.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE MOMENT

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. 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 OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Canon of Grace (8:15)
Hymn to Joy (11:00)

Lamb
Keller

* OFFERTORY RESPONSE

UMH 95

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.

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

* HYMN OF SENDING

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

UMH 133

* BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Glory to God

Kerr

Liturgist: Pastor Daeho Kang

Director of Traditional Worship Arts: Todd Arant; Organist: Joette Winberry

Lay Readers: Rick Hollings (8:15), Don Dickinson (11:00)

Service Musicians: Resounding Grace (8:15); Chancel Choir, Grace Notes (11:00)



CONTEMPORARY ORDER OF WORSHIP

2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
9:35 a.m., Christian Life Center
January 18, 2026

** Please stand as you are able.*

*** WORSHIP IN SONG**

PRAISE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

*** WORSHIP IN SONG**

*GLORIOUS DAY
ABIDE*

CONGREGATIONAL CARE MOMENT

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

CHRIST BE MAGNIFIED

SCRIPTURE

JOHN 1:29-42

MESSAGE

PASTOR LAURA KATHERINE STERN

*** WORSHIP IN SONG**

ABUNDANTLY MORE

*** BENEDICTION**

SENDING MUSIC

*Pastor: Laura Katherine Stern
Contemporary Worship Arts Director: Patrick Rose
Service Musicians: Praise Band*

CONNECT

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www.apexumc.org



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Youth Ministry: To learn more about our Youth Ministry program follow us on Facebook (Apex UMC Youth), Instagram (@aumcym) and online. Contact Tanner Johnson for more information.

UPCOMING

Please pick up a copy of our **January Apex UMC Announcements** monthly handout from an usher or at the Welcome Desk!


- Wonderful Wednesday, 2/4
- Youth Talent Show, 2/6
- Winter Playdate, 2/7


GIVE

Our offerings help AUMC offer spaces that welcome, ways to love, and people that serve.

Our collective offerings allow us to live out AUMC's mission to *Welcome All. Love All. Serve All.* You can set up recurring giving online, give in offering plates, send check by mail or text to give. Thank you for your generosity!

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