



# Kirkwood Presbyterian Church

Sunday, February 1, 2026  
Communion Sunday and 4th Sunday after Epiphany

## Gathering

## Welcome and Ministry Announcements

Dr. Yvan Kelly

## **\*Sharing the Peace of Christ**

## \*Opening Hymn

Glory to God Hymnal #413 "Come into God's Presence"

## **\*Call to Worship** (based on Psalm 15)

## Worship Leader

Leader: Lord, we come into your sanctuary with eagerness.

**People: May we hear your call and speak your truth.**

Leader: Lord, we come to abide with you in love.

## **People: Gather us in honest and faithful community.**

Leader: Lord, prepare us to be people of hope and grace.

**People:** Kindle in us courage to live as brave and faithful disciples.

All: Let us worship our God together in this holy place.

## A Time for Children

Dr. Yvan Kelly

(Children will go to Sunday School)

## Gathering Prayer

Fran McCormick

## Call to Confession

Dr. Yvan Kelly

## Prayer of Confession

Dr. Yvan Kelly

**People:** Merciful God, we come before you in confession. You have showered us with blessings, but we hoard those gifts, refusing to share with our neighbors in need. You have given us freedom to live justly, but we choose to judge others. You have called us to live in peaceful community, but we sow discord and fear among ourselves. Forgive us. Soften our hearts and open our minds to hear your call. Inspire us to act justly, love fiercely, and walk in your way each and every day.

Leader: Please continue in silent confession....Amen.

\*please stand

## Assurance of Pardon

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is deeper than the depths of the sea and wider than the whole of the earth.

**People: In him we are consecrated and free.**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news!

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## Word

### Old Testament Lesson

Micah 6:1-8

Fran McCormick

Hear what the Lord says:

Rise, plead your case before  
the mountains,  
and let the hills  
hear your voice.

Hear, you mountains,  
the controversy of the Lord,  
and you enduring foundations  
of the earth;  
for the Lord has a controversy  
with his people,  
and he will contend with Israel.

“O my people,  
what have I done to you?

In what have I wearied you?  
Answer me!

For I brought you up from  
the land of Egypt,  
and redeemed you from  
the house of slavery;  
and I sent before you Moses,  
Aaron, and Miriam.

O my people, remember now  
what King Balak of Moab devised,  
what Balaam son of Beor  
answered him,  
and what happened from  
Shittim to Gilgal,

that you may know the saving  
acts of the Lord.”

“With what shall I come  
before the Lord,  
and bow myself before  
God on high?

Shall I come before him  
with burnt offerings,  
with calves a year old?

Will the Lord be pleased  
with thousands of rams,  
with ten thousands of  
rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn  
for my transgression,  
the fruit of my body  
for the sin of my soul?”

He has told you, O mortal,  
what is good;  
and what does the Lord  
require of you  
but to do justice,  
and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

Reader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### New Testament Lesson

Matthew 5:1-12

Dr. Yvan Kelly

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.  
“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.  
“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.  
“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.  
“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.  
“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.  
“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Reader: The word of the Lord.

## People: Thanks be to God.

**Message** “Blessed in Unexpected Places” Dr. Yvan Kelly  
**\*Middle Hymn** “The Table”

## The Lord's Supper

## 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 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.**

## The Lord's Supper

## **Giving Thanks to God with Our Gifts and Offerings**

## Offertory Song

## \*Doxology

## \*Prayer of Dedication Fran McCormick

**People:** Gracious God, thank you for the many blessings of our lives. Bless these gifts we give today. May they be used to bring about justice and joy for those who need them most. Amen.

## Sending

**\*Closing Hymn**      Glory to God Hymnal #384 v. 1, 2, & 4

## “Soon and Very Soon”

## Charge and Blessing

Dr. Yvan Kelly

## Announcements

**Potluck and Movie Night February 6** - This Friday, February 6, at 6:00 p.m., we will have a potluck and movie night. Dinner will start at 6:00 p.m., and the movie will start at 6:30 p.m. The movie is Ring the Bell. It's a Christian movie about a baseball agent trying to talk a prospect out of going to college and going to the pros instead. Click [here](#) for the trailer.

**Session Meeting February 8** - The Session will meet after worship on Sunday, February 8.

**Bunko February 14** - The next Bunko night is scheduled for Saturday, February 14, at 6:00 p.m. No experience is required, and it's fun for all ages. A \$10.00 donation is asked from each person and includes dessert.

**Church Office Closed February 16** - The church office will be closed on Monday, February 16, in observance of Presidents' Day.

**Ash Wednesday Service February 18** - On Wednesday, February 18, please plan on attending the Ash Wednesday service at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

**Support The Flagler College Basketball Team** - The Flagler College Basketball Team helped with unloading our pumpkins at our previous Pumpkin Patches. It would be nice if a bunch of us could go and support them as they have supported us in the past. Saturday home games are at 3:30 p.m. and Wednesday night games are at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are purchased at the door. General admission tickets are \$10.00. Below are the remaining home games:

Saturday - February 28 at 3:30 p.m.

Wednesdays - February 4, February 18, and February 25 at 7:30 p.m.

If you are interested in going together as a group, there is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. If you have any questions, please see Lois Morse.

**Updated Ministry Teams** - An updated list of ministry teams and their responsibilities is available on the table in the narthex and in the newsletter.

**Financial Giving** - You may place your offering in the offering plate, drop off a check at the office, put it in the mail, or use our online giving portal that can be accessed [here](#) or by scanning the QR code to the right.



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