

³⁸When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? ³⁹When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' ⁴⁰"The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.' ⁴¹"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴²For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.' ⁴⁴"They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?' ⁴⁵"He will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.' ⁴⁶"Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

ONE: This is the word of the Lord. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

Morning Message Columbia Dream Center *Rev. David Powers*

Musical Reflection *Deb Konupka*

Prayers of the People, Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer
In Jesus' name. **Hear our prayer, O Lord.**

***Hymn 595** They'll Know We Are Christians

***Benediction**

***Parting Music**

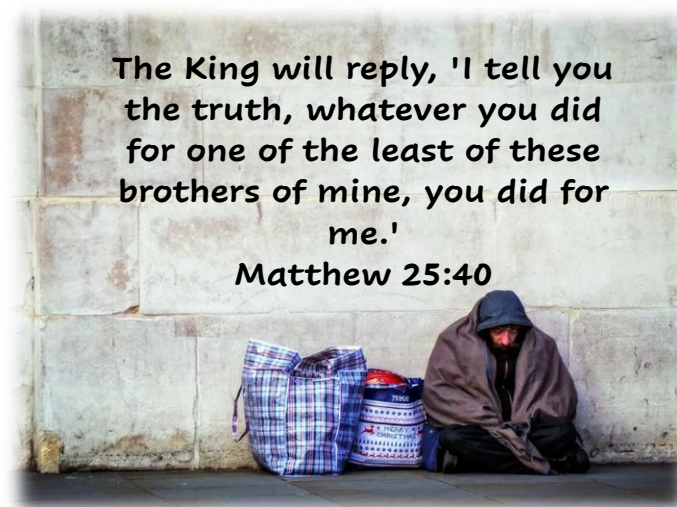
Recessional Offering for Wayside serving at Columbia Dream Center

Next Week: *Sacrament of Communion & Heifer International quarter collection for "Garden Wells."*



Rev. Dr. Stephen P. Fritz, Pastor

Pulpit Swap with Columbia Presbyterian Church
Rev. David Powers, Pastor/Director Columbia Dream Center



January 18, 2026
9:00 am

Staffed Nursery, Wheelchair, Hearing Assist System & Large Print Bibles available. See the A/V booth for assistance.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY
2nd Sunday after Epiphany / Week of Christian Unity

"Walking with Jesus, sharing Christ along the way"

Welcome to Wayside! We are blessed to have first-time guests and returning friends in the service today. If you are without a church home, we encourage you to worship with us regularly this winter to discern if God is calling you to partner with this ministry. We extend a special welcome to the Rev. David Powers swapping pulpits with our Pastor Steve Fritz today. Pastor Dave was once an intern at Wayside and has served the Columbia Presbyterian Church for over two decades. He is also the Director of Columbia Dream Center (CDC) serving the poor and homeless in the Boro of Columbia. A retiring offering will be received today to fund Wayside serving meals at the CDC several times this year, next on February 1.

****Please stand as able in body or spirit.***

Greeting / Passing the Peace of Christ / Ways to Connect *Dean Zerbe, Liturgist*

Prelude *Deb Konupka, accompanist*
Lighting of the Worship & Peace Candles - Acolyte

Responsive Call to Worship *Liturgist*

ONE: Sisters and Brothers, on this Lord's Day we gather to worship and remember our mission as the Church.

ALL: We are the Body of Christ, called to serve neighbors near and far as the hands and feet of the heart of God.

ONE: In praise and worship, we honor God and are refreshed and refueled as shepherds to feed the sheep.

ALL: Here I am to worship. Humbly You came, O Christ, all for love's sake became poor.

ONE: Then come, you who are blessed by God the Father; be filled with the Holy Spirit and enjoy your inheritance of the Kingdom Come. Let us worship God.

***Hymn 29 (vv. 1, 4, 5 & 6)** God of the Sparrow

Unison Prayer of Confession *Liturgist*
Forgive me, Lord, for I am a sinner. I have thought too highly of myself and have been dismissive of others. I have gathered more than I need and shared less than I should. I am slow to serve the suffering for fear of being hurt myself. I have given into temptations and failed to live out your love. Have mercy on me in my confession and grant me your pardon and peace. Then send me into the world

again to use my gifts and opportunities to make a positive impact in the lives of others, for the sake of the Christ who saves me. I pray in Jesus' name.

(continue in silent personal confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Galatians 6:1-10

Liturgist

Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted. ²Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. ³If anyone thinks he is something when he is nothing, he deceives himself. ⁴Each one should test his own actions. Then he can take pride in himself, without comparing himself to somebody else, ⁵for each one should carry his own load. ⁶Anyone who receives instruction in the word must share all good things with his instructor. ⁷Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. ⁸The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. ⁹Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. ¹⁰Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

ONE: Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel.

ALL: In Jesus Christ we are, I am, forgiven.

***Hymn 734** Glory Be to the Father / *Gloria Patri (Creatorex)*

Bell Anthem

Like a River Glorious

Prayer Table for Giving & Lighting Candles / Offertory

Digital gifts may be indicated by tapping the plate with a phone/hand.

(QR Code for online giving)



Scripture Lesson

Matthew 25:31-46

Rev. David Powers

³¹When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. ³⁴"Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. ³⁵For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' ³⁷"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?