

**THE WORSHIP OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD  
AT SWIFT CHURCH**  
*Sixth Sunday after Epiphany*

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE “Thy Word Is a Lamp”

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Susan Pichoff

Leader: Blessed are those who trust in the Lord.

**People: They shall be like a tree planted by water,**

Leader: sending out its roots by the stream.

**People: Baptized and freed,**

Leader: grounded in love,

**People: Let us worship God.**

\*HYMN #61 “Lavish Love, Abundant Beauty”

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Silent Prayer “Jesus Knows the Inmost Heart”*

**Merciful God, your call to discipleship is demanding. You call us to reorder our lives by the kingdom you are bringing in Jesus Christ. Yet we still pass by the ones you especially notice: people who are poor and hungry; people who weep. We have not stood with those who are hated, bullied, and excluded. Comfortable with the way things are, we are too complacent, even complicit with injustice and prejudice. Forgive us, O God, and turn us back to your gospel. We pray this now, for our sake, and for the sake of your world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

\*RESPONSE #623 “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.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Jeremiah 17:5–10

SECOND READING Luke 6:17–26

RESPONSE

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON “Blessings and Woes”  
Reverend Alexandra Hutson

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN # 302 “Share His Love”

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH “Apostles’ Creed”

**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 Ghost,**

**born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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.**

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Offertory “Because He Lives”*

\*RESPONSE #625 “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.

PRAYER AND DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

SENDING

\*HYMN #244 “The Trees of the Field”

\*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*\*please stand as you are able*

**\*CHARGE**

Leader: Good people of Swift Church, who are you?

People: **Striving to bring God joy, we proclaim**

**Christ's love and grace through serving and nurturing  
body, mind, and soul.**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE** "This Is a Day of New Beginnings"

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Please join us in the fellowship  
hall for refreshments  
immediately after worship.

**LEADERSHIP AT SWIFT**

Reverend Alexandra Hutson, Pastor

Jenni Cain, Pianist

Sena Cooper, Office Assistant

Stephanie Craft, Office Assistant

Jessica Hammontree, Preschool Director

**This week at Swift**

**Sunday, February 16**

Sunday School, 9:00am

Worship in the Sanctuary, 10:00am

**Monday, February 17**

Session Meeting

4:30pm

Fellowship Hall

**Tuesday, February 18**

Choir

4:30pm

Sanctuary

**Thursday February 20**

Christmas Market Meeting

10:00am

Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday, February 19**

Prayer Group

9:00am

Chapel

**Wednesday, February 19**

Food Pantry

10:00am

Fellowship Hall

**Thursday, February 20**

Butterfly Girls & Guys Night Out

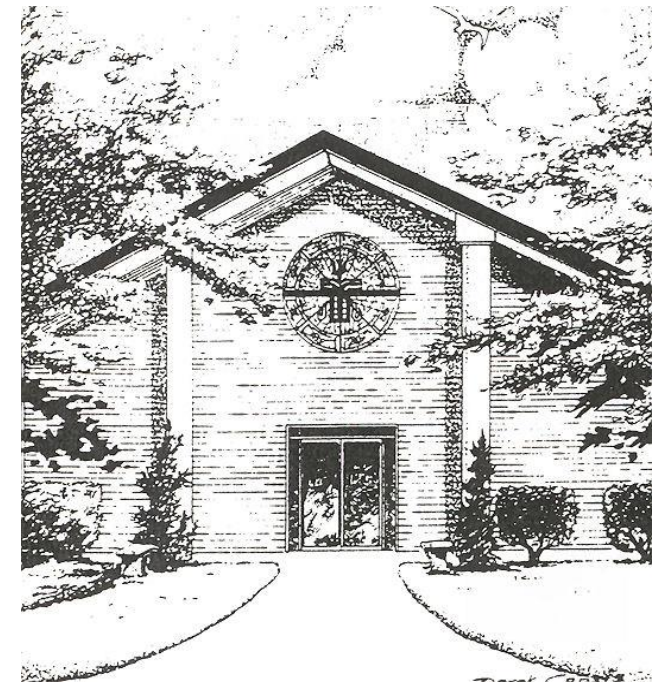
6:00pm

The Brick Oven

# Welcome to Swift Church

February 16, 2025

*Striving to bring God joy!*



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