As the Deer

As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after You. You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship You. You alone are my strength, my shield; to You alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship You.

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord; there are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet Heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with Your love; and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

The 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 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.

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Greater is 9 Who is in me than he who is in this world. ~ 1 John 4:4

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3rd SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

All are welcome as we come together to worship in the House of the Lord.

Organ Selections

Announcements

Pastor Rachel Hughes

Birthdays: 1/27 Jerry Nahrwold Anniversaries: 1/25 JR & Linda Melvin

- * Greeting and Sharing the Peace
- * Congregation "As the Deer"

GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

Prelude	"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"	Praise Band

* Call to Worship

Liturgist

- Leader: With great rejoicing, we enter the house of the Lord!
- People: We come to praise the One who is our refuge and our strength.
- Leader: Lift up your eyes, for God comes to us with compassion and love.
- People: We bring our burdened and broken spirits, seeking God's presence and healing.
- Leader: Rejoice! For the God who created you comes to redeem you and make you whole.
- All: We joyfully celebrate the Living God, who embraces us with mercy and calls us to new life. Amen.
- * Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed
- * The Gloria Patri

Prayers and Praises

Pastoral and Lord's Prayer

Pastor Rachel Hughes

Tithes and Offerings

* The Doxology

Special Music"This Land is Your Land"Praise BandScripture1 John 4:1-4

The Message

Pastor Rachel Hughes Testing Spirits in the World

WE GO FORTH TO WITNESS

* Hymn of Adoration "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

* Benediction Pastor Rachel Hughes

Pastor Rev. Rachel Hughes Director of Music Ministries Ben Winkler

* Stand as you are able

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Our altar flowers today are given by Jerry Nahrwold in celebration of his 80th birthday and in memory of his wife, Nancy, on the 9th anniversary of her death.

Don't forget! Next Sunday is a Fifth Sunday, when we will highlight our support of the Florida United Methodist Children's Home.

PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER ...

Ernie & Nancy Bear, Richard & Linda Hicks, Helen Kamp, Betty Johnson, JR & Linda Melvin, those in our Military, our Curlew church family, the United Methodist Church, our country, and those across the globe fighting the pandemic. Contact info for church family shut-ins can be obtained by calling the church office and are published monthly in the "Curlew Courier".

Mary DeDea, Eileen Huntington, Vivian Cox, Barbara Bardua, Esther Besch