

*We aren't called to make God love us, we are called
to believe He already does.*



GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE & LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
WELCOME GREETING
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rosie Michael
Pastor Karen Griswold
Kathy Etgen

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Arise, shine, for your light has come.
PEOPLE: And the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
 Leader: For darkness shall cover the earth,
PEOPLE: And thick darkness the peoples;
 Leader: But the Lord will arise upon you,
PEOPLE: And his glory will appear over you.
 Leader: Nations shall come to your light.
ALL: And kings to the brightness of your dawn.

*RINGING of the BELL

*HYMN

"We Three Kings"

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NVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*RESPONSE & PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

"There's Something About That Name"

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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MOMENT

Scott Griswold

PASTORAL PRAYER

SILENT MEDITATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN

"Come, Share the Lord"

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SCRIPTURE

Palm 72:1-7 & 11-14 & Matthew 2:1-12 (NIV)

Kathy Etgen

TODAY'S MESSAGE

"Risky Business"

Pastor Karen Griswold

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION – all are welcome

*HYMN

"Go Tell it on the Mountain"

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*BLESSING & BENEDICTION

*CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

POSTLUDE

*Please stand if you are able.

CHURCH EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The candle on the altar represents our continued prayers for Peace.

TODAY	Finance Team Meeting after Church
Jan 6	9:30 am Tuesday Mornings – Prayer & scripture review
	6:00 pm Church Board Meeting – all are welcome
Jan 12	6:00 pm Pastoral Relations Meeting
Jan 14	6:00 pm Consider This - discussion will start back up for 2026
Jan 18	Education Team meeting after Church
Jan 19	February Newsletter deadline – please send information to Kathy Etgen

- Your continued support is appreciated and may be mailed to West Liberty UCC PO Box 427, West Liberty, OH 43357.

PRAYER REQUESTS and JOYS



Vicki Lingrell	Don Moffitt	Marcus Taylor	Renay Fullerton	Lauretta McClain	Joy Plank
Tony Grant	Virginia Gregg	Ruth Murphy	Janice Stout	Jane Saltzman	
Kim Hoberty	Dave Daulton	Paula Plank	Katie Tezak	Gabriel Nelson	

Our Confirmands

Our nursing home residents & shut-ins

Our service men & women

Serving Today

Organist: Rosie Michael
Song Leader: Judy Legge
Ministers: The Entire Congregation

Nursery: Julie Wilcox
Youth Message: Scott Griswold
Jr. Church: Scott Griswold

Sound: Dennis McIntosh
Screens: Ed Armentrout
Videotaping: Bec Smith

Organist: Rosie Michael
Song Leader:
Ministers: The Entire Congregation

Serving Next Week (Jan 11, 2026)
Nursery: Michelle & Makayla Moffitt
Youth Message: Bill Warner
Jr. Church: Julie Wilcox

Sound: Ray Etgen
Screens: Kaylee Powell
Videotaping: Bec Smith