

*Classic Worship*

Sanctuary

December 28, 2025



# PULASKI HEIGHTS

United Methodist Church

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# First Sunday after Christmas

Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church  
Classic Worship, 9:00 a.m.  
December 28, 2025

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*\*The asterisk indicates to stand, as you are able.*

*Magnifying readers are available in the narthex. Hearing devices are available at the Welcome Desk.*

## WELCOME

Rev. Katye Chambers

## OPENING VOLUNTARY

*Of the Father's Love Begotten*  
Dr. Frode Gundersen, piano

arr. Jay Rouse

## \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: The people walking in darkness have seen a great light;

**People: on those living in the land of the shadow of death  
a light has dawned.**

Pastor: Jesus Christ is our life and light.

**All: In his name and in his power,  
let us worship the newborn King!**

## \* OPENING HYMN 220

*Angels from the Realms of Glory*

REGENT SQUARE

## \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Rev. Jay Clark

**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.**

## \* GLORIA PATRI 70

MEINEKE

**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.**

## DUET

*Gesu Bambino*  
Dominique Holloway & Charles Holloway

*Pietro Yon*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Clark

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

**O Lord, our God, as we celebrate again the season of Christmas, we ask you to  
make us humble and loving like Jesus, who did not come to be served but to serve,  
and who said that it is better to give than to receive, so that in his name we  
may devote ourselves to the care and service of all who are in need.  
We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who taught us to pray:**

## 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 trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERING

OFFERTORY *I Saw Three Ships* *English Carol/arr. Jay Rouse*

\* DOXOLOGY 95 OLD 100th  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures here below.  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\* HYMN 251 *Go Tell It on the Mountain* GO TELL IT

\* SCRIPTURE LESSON *Matthew 2:13-23* Rev. Chambers  
This is the Word of God for the people of God.  
Thanks be to God.

\* GREETING

SERMON *An Unexpected Turn*

## INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

\* CLOSING HYMN 246 *Joy to the World* HOUSTON

\* WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

We rejoice to recognize you as a member of Christ's holy church, and we welcome you to Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold it with our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.

\* BENEDICTION

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Good Christian Friends Rejoice* *arr. Wilbur Held*

*Communion is available immediately following this service in the Chapel.*

## WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Katy Chambers, *Pastor of Mission, Justice, & Emerging Ministries*

Rev. Jay Clark, *Chief of Staff*

Dr. Frode Gundersen, *Director of Music, Worship & Arts*

**USHERS**

(9:00) Amanda Edwards (Lead), Emily Erkel, Pat Crane, Marilyn Micheletti

**ALTAR GUILD**

Sandra De Luca

**SOUND**

Bob Worthington

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

The Sanctuary Flowers are placed to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Michael Ptak by his wife Jacque Hill-Ptak on their anniversary.

**COLUMBARIUM FLOWERS**

The flowers in the Columbarium Garden are placed to the glory of God and in loving memory of all interred there by the Columbarium Garden Board.

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**PHMEN Breakfast**

**Tuesday, January 6  
7AM**

This month's featured speaker: Kevin Shalin, AKA The Mighty Rib



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MEET-AND-GREET  
WELCOME RECEPTION



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10:10-10:50AM

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PROFESSOR BOWL**

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Great Hall**

