Sunny Side United Methodist Church
January 18, 2026

We are so glad you are worshipping with us this morning! We hope you feel the love and peace of Christ in this place! If you have a prayer request or are a first-time guest, please complete a card from the pew rack in front of you and put it in the offering plate.

Gathering Music **Tom Robinson**

Welcome and Call to Worship

Before Jesus ascended into heaven, He said to the disciples, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."
Jerusalem was their home.
We are called to be witnesses right here in our neighborhood and to those we interact with each day.
Judea; within a 19 mile radius of home. Samaria; within a 30 mile radius. The ends of the earth?
Jesus tells us there are no limits to where and how we are to share His love and light.
May the Holy Spirit lead, guide, and direct us to be faithful witnesses.

***Chiming of the Hour**
***Opening Prayer**
Prelude

For your reflection: How is God calling you to be a witness in your everyday life?

***Hymn:** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" **139**

***Affirmation of Faith:** The Apostles' Creed **881**

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 arose 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**

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.

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Choir Anthem: "Brighten the Corner Where You Are," arr. by W, Elmore Mercer

Offertory
***Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

Scripture: Isaiah 44: 6-8 and Luke 21: 10-19
Message: Our Opportunity to Bear Witness **Rev. JoAn Kinrade**

***Hymn:** "Lord, I Want to be a Christian" **402**
*Benediction
*Postlude

*You are invited to stand at this point in the service, as you are able.
Please silence cell phones during the worship service.

Serving in Worship

Pianist:	Tom Robinson
Acolytes:	Carrie Love, Olivia Love, and Charley Kendrew
Ushers:	Richard Overley, Don Smith
Sound and Livestream:	Charlie Love, Janice Kulp, Skylan Cavender, Taegin Montgomery

Pastoral Care: Rev. JoAn Kinrade, joan.kinrade@ngumc.net

Prayer Requests: Sharon Roderick, Debby Thompson, Bob Wooster, Bennie Watson, Bonnie and Dick Sellick following deaths of two relatives, Paulette Perry, Nancy Worthington, Janice Meadows, Janice Griffin, Lean Overley, Jonna McRae, Wanda O'Neal, Lois Head, Don Smith, Sue Cohen, Carl Hayes (Christian City Asst. Living), Rosalyn Hayes, Judith and Richard Crowther, Susan and Bob Francis, Dave and Carol Sparks.

Welcome members of County Line UMC! We're so glad to have you worshipping with us while Pastor Kenny is on paternity leave.

For your calendars:

Tues, Jan 20	Midwest Truck Delivery, **12noon**
Wed, Jan 21	Food Pantry, **volunteers report at 8:15am**
	Bible Study, **5pm**
	Choir Practice, **6:45pm**
Wed, Jan 28	Bible Study, **5pm**
	Choir Practice, **6:45pm**

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