

# Pilgrim Hill

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THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
08 FEBRUARY 2026

## PRAYER

### THE INFINITE AND THE FINITE (from *The Valley of Vision*)

THOU GREAT I AM,

Fill my mind with elevation and grandeur at the thought of a Being  
with whom one day is as a thousand years,  
and a thousand years as one day,  
A mighty God, who, amidst the lapse of worlds,  
and the revolutions of empires,  
feels no variableness,  
but is glorious in immortality.

May I rejoice that, while men die, the Lord lives;  
that, while all creatures are broken reeds,  
empty cisterns,  
fading flowers,  
withering grass,

he is the Rock of Ages, the Fountain of living waters.

Turn my heart from vanity,  
from dissatisfactions,  
from uncertainties of the present state,  
to an eternal interest in Christ.

Let me remember that life is short and unforeseen,  
and is only an opportunity for usefulness;  
Give me a holy avarice to redeem the time,  
to awake at every call to charity and piety,  
so that I may feed the hungry,

clothe the naked,  
instruct the ignorant,  
reclaim the vicious,  
forgive the offender,  
diffuse the gospel,  
show neighbourly love to all.

Let me live a life of self-distrust,  
dependence on thyself,  
mortification,  
crucifixion,  
prayer.

## PRELUDE, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & PREPARATION

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### For Preparation

"O LORD, our Lord,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!" (Psalm 8:1)

\*At points in the worship service annotated (\*), please stand if able.

### \* The Gloria Patri –with uplifted hands–

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 LORD CALLS US

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### \* The Call to Worship

The Lord be with you!

**And also with you!**

### \* From Psalm 84

How lovely is your dwelling place,

**O Lord of hosts!**

My soul longs, yes, faints

**for the courts of the Lord;**

my heart and flesh sing for joy

**to the living God.**

Blessed are those who dwell in your house,

**ever singing your praise!**

Blessed are those whose strength is in you,

**in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

They go from strength to strength;

**each one appears before God in Zion.**

### \* Psalm – “All People That on Earth Do Dwell” (304)

## WE CONFESS AND ARE CLEANSED

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### Corporate Prayer of Confession (Zacharias Ursinus)

I, a poor sinner, confess before you, my God and Creator,

**that I have sinned gravely and in various ways against you,  
not only with outward gross sins,  
but much more with internal, innate blindness, unbelief, doubts,  
faintheartedness, impatience, pride, evil greed, secret envy,  
hatred and jealousy, as well as other evil emotions.**

You, my Lord and God, recognize this in me very well,  
but sadly I cannot recognize them sufficiently.

**I feel sorrow and regret for them and greatly desire grace  
through your dear Son, Jesus Christ.**

**Amen.**

### Franklin Kyrie

Music: Gregory D. Wilbur, 2009 © wilburmusic.com  
Text: Traditional

### Silent Prayers of Confession –*kneeling, if able*–

### † Assurance of Pardon – Romans 8:31-33

“What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies.”

### † Sursum Corda

So, lift up your hearts!

**We lift them up to the Lord!**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

**It is right to give him thanks and praise!**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth. Therefore, we praise You, Triune God, and we join our voices with the angels, the archangels, and the whole company of Heaven in this hymn of eternal praise:

## THE LORD CONSECRATES US

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### Franklin Sanctus

D G Asus D

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. Ho - ly, ho - ly,

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord. Ho-ly, ho-ly,

7 G Asus G A G D Asus

God of pow'r and might, Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry.

Ho -

12 G A D/F# G D

Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He who

san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He

18 A/G G Asus G A D/F# G A D/F# G

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est, Ho -

Ho - san-na in the high - est, Ho - san-na in the

23 A D/F# G A D/F# G A D/F# G A D

san-na in the high - est, Ho - san-na in the high-est. A - men.

high - est, Ho - san-na in the high - est. A - men.

## **† Profession of Faith – The Apostles' Creed**

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hades. On the third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and now sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,  
from whence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.  
We 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.

\*catholic refers to the universal collection of God's people throughout all time and from all places.

## **† Heidelberg Catechism, Questions 12-15**

From Part 2: Our Deliverance

12. Q. Since, according to God's righteous judgment we deserve temporal and eternal punishment, how can we escape this punishment and be again received into favour?  
**A. God demands that his justice be satisfied. Therefore we must make full payment, either by ourselves or through another.**
13. Q. Can we by ourselves make this payment?  
**A. Certainly not. On the contrary, we daily increase our debt.**
14. Q. Can any mere creature pay for us?  
**A. No. In the first place, God will not punish another creature for the sin which man has committed. Furthermore, no mere creature can sustain the burden of God's eternal wrath against sin and deliver others from it.**
15. Q. What kind of mediator and deliverer must we seek?  
**A. One who is a true and righteous man, and yet more powerful than all creatures; that is, one who is at the same time true God.**

## **† Psalm – “Why Do the Heathen Nations Vainly Rage?” (005)**

### **Scripture Readings:**

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 58:1-9a  
*The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!*

New Testament Reading: Matthew 5:13-20  
*The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!*

## **† Hymn – “This Is My Father’s World” (554)**

## Prayer of Adoration and Intercession

*When you hear, "Lord, in your mercy," please respond with: "**Hear our prayer.**"*

## Sermon – "The Way to the Blessed Life"

**Psalm 1**

Pastor Clint Lum

### The Lord's Prayer (see #1108 for music)

Our Father, which 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.

## TITHES AND TRIBUTE OFFERINGS

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God of all provision—  
from Whom all things were created  
and for Whom all things were created  
we recognize in this moment that all we have is from you.

**We are honored to be the King's stewards.**

You have blessed us richly,  
and we ask for wisdom in all of our financial dealings,  
both personally and corporately.

**Receive this portion of our harvest which we bring to You  
in faith, obedience, and with joy.**

† Psalm – "Jehovah to My Lord Has Said" (337)

† Hymn – "Glory Be to God the Father" (547)

## THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US

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### The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Words of Institution and the Lord's Table

*The Lord's Supper is a sacramental family meal for Christians. We invite all baptized Christians, who are in good standing at a church that proclaims the gospel, to the table. By coming, you acknowledge that you have trusted in Christ alone for your justification before God, that you are currently at peace with God and neighbor, and that you are seeking to grow daily in holiness. If you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor Brooks.*

## THE BREAD – "Come, Ye Souls by Sin Afflicted"

*To display our unity, please wait to eat the bread until instructed.*

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### Come, Ye Souls by Sin Afflicted

1. Come, ye souls by sin af - flict - ed, Bowed with fruit - less sor - row  
2. Take His eas - y yoke and wear it; Love will make o - bed - ience  
3. Bless - ed are the eyes that see Him, Blest the ears that hear His  
4. Sweet as home to pil - grims wear - y, Light to new - ly o - pened

8 C Dm C/E F Gm F/A B $\flat$  C

16 Dm F/A B $\flat$  F/A B $\flat$  C F

down; By the bro - ken law con - vict - ed, Through the cross, be - hold the  
sweet; Christ will give you strength to bear it, While His wis - dom guides your  
voice; Bless-ed are the souls that trust Him, And in Him a - lone re -  
eyes, Or full springs in des - erts drear - y Is the rest the cross sup -

crown; Look to Je - sus, Mer - cy flows from Him a - lone.  
feet Safe to glo - ry, Where His ran - somed cap - tives meet.  
joice; His com - mand - ments Then be - come their hap - py choice.  
plies; All who taste it Shall to rest im - mor - tal rise.

Music: Gregory D. Wilbur, 2004 © wilburmusic.com  
Text: Joseph Swain, 1792

[Come, ye souls]  
8 7. 8 7. 4 7.

## THE WINE

*We pass the wine with "the peace of Christ." You are welcome to drink the wine immediately and to fellowship freely during this time. If juice is desired, it will be the lighter liquid in the tray.*

## THE LORD COMMISSIONS US

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### † Commissioning Hymn – “Crown Him with Many Crowns” (818)

#### † Charge

#### † Benediction (from Numbers 6)

The LORD bless you and keep you;  
the LORD make his face to shine upon you  
and be gracious to you;  
the LORD lift up his countenance upon you  
and give you peace.

#### † Closing Doxology –*with uplifted hands*–

#### Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here be - low;  
Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A-men.

Music: *Genevan Psalter*, 1551  
Text: Thomas Ken, 1709

OLD 100th  
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Pastor: Peace be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

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## For Family Worship

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### Daily Catechesis

- **Weekly Heidelberg Catechism:** #12-15 (see liturgy, pg. 5)
- **Hymn of the Week:** “Come, Ye Souls by Sin Afflicted” (see liturgy, pg. 7)
- **Verse of the Week:** “Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.” (Psalm 1:1-2)
- **Prayer/Poem:** (see liturgy, pg. 1)

## Prayer Requests

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### **Current**

- For salvation for Judah's co-worker Chris Straight, who has shown an openness to the gospel.
- Please pray for Chris Groth's brother's wife Meg. She had finished cancer treatments but it's back and aggressive. They are believers with two sweet kids.
- Healing for those who have been sick.
- For Caleb Smith's Hashimotos diagnosis. That the symptoms would be easily treatable, and that he would have faith amidst the affliction.
- For St. Mark Reformed - the church they rent from is disbanding as a congregation at the end of the year. Pray the Lord allow the building to come to St. Mark.
- Salvation for our unbelieving family members - thinking especially of Ryan Heft's cousin (Connor), and Becky's sister (Laura), brother (Orly) and his wife (Amanda) and daughters (Rose, Evey, and Arya).
- For Caleb Haymes, and his ongoing physical issues.
- For the folks who are newer to our community. That they would get established quickly.
- For our own place in God's timing.
- For the mothers who are with child. Safety for all the mommas and babies.

  

- **Brooke Stanifer** - Feb
- **Sandy Huffman** - March
- **Madison Haymes** - March
- **Colby Abrams** - April
- **Joy Tingle** - April
- **Kimberly Hodges** - June
- **Tay Hoeks** - July
- **Paige Llewellyn** - August
- **Addyson Frymoyer** - August
- **Holly Carter** - August
- **Pauline Heft** - Sept

*If you become with child and want to be added to the prayer list, please email  
[naomi@pilgrimhill.church](mailto:naomi@pilgrimhill.church)*

### **Ongoing**

- For peace and provision for our church as we look ahead to pastor Brooks' transition to DC
- For a teaching elder for the new CREC plant in Columbia, King's Cross Reformed Church
- Favor and wisdom for those who have businesses, or are dreaming of starting one
- Provision, peace, wisdom, and diligence for those feeling the financial pinch
- Great wisdom for Pete in his role as SecDef and continued protection - both spiritual and physical - for the Hegseths
- For the ministries we financially support:
  - Cumberland Crisis Pregnancy: Provision, protection, and wisdom
  - The Joint Eastern European Project (J.E.E.P.): See their website for current prayer requests
  - Recovery Refuge House in Ridgetop

## Upcoming Events

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### **NEW in 2026 - MID-WEEK THURSDAY GATHERINGS**

- 6:00-6:40pm Food | 6:45-7:15 Bible Study | 7:15-7:30 Singing
- JANUARY- 8th & 22nd | FEBRUARY 12th/26th | MARCH 12th/26th | APRIL 9th/23rd | MAY 7th

### **MEN'S WEEKLY BOOK STUDY - *Gashmu Saith It*, by Douglas Wilson**

- Fridays at 6:15 am on Pastor Brooks's back porch

### **MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP MEALS**

- First Sunday of every month
- Immediately following the service at the church
- No Sunday School on these days
- **If you would like to serve on the fellowship team, email Sharon Haney at [daylily1980@comcast.net](mailto:daylily1980@comcast.net)**

### **Officers:**

#### **The Session:**

- Pastor Brooks Potteiger – [pastor@pilgrimhill.church](mailto:pastor@pilgrimhill.church)
- Assistant Pastor Clint Lum – [pastorclint@pilgrimhill.church](mailto:pastorclint@pilgrimhill.church)
- Josh Boyd (Ruling Elder)

#### **The Diaconate:**

- Chris Boyd
- Shelly Huffman
- Scotty Rowlett

**Submit a question for Pastor Brooks  
for an upcoming Q&A:**



**Church-wide Signal Thread  
for Announcements:**



**Meal sign-up for Recovery Refuge:**



## **Sermon Notes**

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*WE AT PILGRIM HILL are striving to cultivate sturdy, maturing Christians across generations for the glory of the Lord and the gladdening expansion of His Kingdom.*