



## Ocean Shores United Methodist Church



**“Whoever you are, and wherever you may be on your journey of faith, you are loved by God and welcome here.”**

Rev. Pamela Meese, Pastor  
Mr. Dale Swindler, Liturgist  
Ms. Janice Nations, Music Director

**February 2, 2025 - 10:30 am**  
**“Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors”**

**Welcome**

**Prelude** A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

**\*Call to Worship**

From a world in which injustice sits upon the throne,

**We turn to you, O Lord, our refuge from workers of woe.**

With hearts from which courage has taken leave,

**We turn to you, O Lord, our refuge from dealers in fear.**

We have hewn out for ourselves broken cisterns than can hold no water.

**Now we turn to you, O lord, the fountain of living water,**

**That courage might rule our hearts and justice over the earth.**

**\*Opening Hymn** Christ for the World We Sing UMH 568

**\*Invocation**

Gracious God, in Jesus Christ you introduced yourself as the help of the hopeless and the hope of the helpless, and you called us to proclaim your name and portray your character. With gladness we heeded your summons. But our enthusiasm has waned, and your mission has suffered. So we pray, O Lord, for the renewal of our vision of Jesus Christ, that our enthusiasm for

his mission might be rekindled and that, once again, the helpless might find hope and the hopeless might find help.

**Psalm of the Day** (responsive) #71 UMH 794

**Call to Prayer** Lord, Listen to Your Children Prayin' FWS 2193

**The Prayers of the People**

**Celebration of Birthdays/Anniversaries  
Our Joys and Concerns**

**Prayer**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Invitation To Offering**

**The Offertory** In Christ There Is No East or West

**\*Doxology** UMH 95

**Reading the Word** 1 Corinthians 13:1-13  
Luke 4:14-30

The Word of God for the people of God

**Thanks be to God!**

**Hymn of Meditation** The Gift of Love UMH 408

**Meditation** Not Feeling the Love

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**The Sending Song** This Little Light of Mine UMH 585

**\*Benediction and Blessing**

**Blessing Song** Shalom UMH 666

**\*Please stand**