

Knightsville Methodist
Order of Worship
Traditional Worship Service
January 18, 2026
8:45 a.m.

Welcome		DH
Prayer of Spiritual Awakening		DH
Call to Worship	Sing of God Made Manifest	Chancel Choir
Hymn of Faith	O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee (All Sing - Verses 1, 3, & 4)	Congregation & Chancel Choir
Words of Wisdom	Deuteronomy 32:1-4	Frances Patrick
Anthem of Hope	O Who's That Yonder	Layne Thompson
Doxology / Blessing of the Offering		Jim Vaughn
Word of God	1 John 3:18-24	Heyward Preacher
Video		
Responsive Prayer for Christ's Presence		PR
Spiritual Vitamin	The Time Is Now - A Neighborhood Church on Mission Liberty for the Captives and Sight for the Blind	
Prayers of the Church		PR
Hymn of Love	Blessed Assurance (All Sing - Verses 1 & 3)	Congregation & Chancel Choir
Going Forth Blessing		

Prayer for Spiritual Awakening

Pastor: Wake Up Sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.

People: Holy and Sovereign God, Awaken us to Your voice today. As Moses declared, *“Let the heavens listen and the earth hear Your words,”* so we open our hearts to receive the truth You speak. You are the Rock—steadfast, faithful, and just in all Your ways. Let Your teaching fall like rain upon our spirits and Your presence refresh us like morning dew.

Awaken us, Lord, to live not in words alone but in the active love You call us to. As John reminds us, *“Let us love not in word or speech, but in truth and action.”* Stir our compassion. Strengthen our obedience. Make our love visible, tangible, and real.

Awaken us to keep Your commands— to believe in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as He taught us. Let Your Spirit abide in us so that our lives bear witness to Your truth.

God our Rock, God of steadfast love, breathe new life into us today. Awaken us to Your justice, Your mercy, Your calling, and Your presence that never fails.

In Your holy name we pray. Amen.

Responsive Prayer for Christ's Presence

Pastor: Spirit of the Living God, You anointed Jesus to bring good news to the poor. Awaken our hearts to that same mission today.

People: The time is now. Lord, send us to proclaim Your good news.

Pastor: You sent Him to proclaim liberty to the captives— to break chains of fear, shame, addiction, and despair.

People: Set the captives free, O God. Make us bearers of Your freedom.

Pastor: You sent Him to bring recovery of sight to the blind— to open eyes clouded by hurt, confusion, or unbelief.

People: Open our eyes, Lord. Help us see as You see.

Pastor: You sent Him to release the oppressed— to lift up the weary, the wounded, and the forgotten.

People: Strengthen us to stand with the oppressed and walk in Your compassion.

Pastor: You sent Him to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor— a season of redemption, restoration, and renewal.

People: Let Your favor rest on us. Make us a church on mission.

Pastor: Spirit of the Lord, fall fresh on us. Empower us to live the mission of Jesus in our neighborhoods, our workplaces, our families, and our community.

People: The Spirit of the Lord is upon us. The time is now. Send us out to proclaim liberty and sight in Jesus' name. Amen.

Words of Wisdom - Deuteronomy 32:1-4

In a world that shifts, disappoints, and changes without warning, God remains steady. Unmoved. Unshakeable. Faithful in every season.

Moses reminds us that God is not only strong—He is **just, true, and upright**. His faithfulness is not occasional; it is His nature. When life feels uncertain, this passage invites us to anchor ourselves in the One who never changes.

Today, let this truth in the Book of Deuteronomy from the Contemporary English Version settle into your spirit: **God is your Rock**. His ways are perfect. His presence is steady. His faithfulness is sure.

Earth and Sky, listen to what I say! Israel, I will teach you. My words will be like gentle rain on tender young plants, or like dew on the grass. Join with me in praising the wonderful name of the Lord our God. The Lord is a mighty rock, and he never does wrong. God can always be trusted to bring justice.

May God bless our discernment to His Holy Word.

People: Praise be to God.

Word of God - 1 John 3:18-24

Today's Word of God comes to us from the Contemporary English Version, 1st John, chapter 3 verses 18 through 24.

Now hear the word of the Lord.

Children, you show love for others by truly helping them, and not merely by talking about it.

When we love others, we know we belong to the truth, and we feel at ease in the presence of God. But even if we don't feel at ease, God is greater than our feelings, and he knows everything. Dear friends, if we feel at ease in the presence of God, we will have the courage to come near him. He will give us whatever we ask, because we obey him and do what pleases him. God wants us to have faith in his Son Jesus Christ and to love each other. This is also what Jesus taught us to do. If we obey God's commandments, we will stay one in our hearts with him, and he will stay one with us. The Spirit, he has given us is proof that we are one with him.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.