

The Lord's Day

January 11, 2026 at 10:30 AM

We welcome you to worship today. It is a privilege to have you as our guest.

As you join us today, begin to worship quietly with personal prayer.

Please turn off your cell phone and turn your hearts and minds toward God.

We prepare for worship

Take a moment and meditate on this as you prepare for worship...

Yahweh frequently defies human expectations and gives the most unlikely people all they need to serve him effectively. So he equips Saul. No matter how unlikely in men's eyes, Yahweh is able to make him able.

Dale Ralph Davis

Prelude

Have Thine Own Way, Lord

George Stebbins

Dr. Kenneth Dean, Jr.; Director of Music Ministries

Please quietly prepare your hearts for worship during the Prelude.

Aisquith Life and Opportunities

We praise our great God

Call to Worship

Ezekiel 36:24-28

²⁴ I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. ²⁵ I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. ²⁶ And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷ And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. ²⁸ You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

Invocation

Hymn No. 308

Jesus Paid It All

All To Christ

I hear the Savior say, "Your strength indeed is small,
Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in me your all in all."

***Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe;
sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow.***

Lord, now indeed I find your power, and yours alone,
Can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone.

For nothing good have I whereby your grace to claim—
I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.

And when, before the throne, I stand in him complete,
“Jesus died my soul to save,” my lips shall still repeat.

We embrace Christ through His Word

Our Confession of Faith

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
Of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of the Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
Very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
By whom all things were made;
Who for us and for our salvation
Came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
And was made man;
And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered and was buried;
And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
And ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;
Whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;
Who spoke by the prophets;
And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;
We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
And we look for the resurrection of the dead,
And the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Lord Confronts Our Sin (Responsive)

Jeremiah 2:1-9

¹ The word of the Lord came to me, saying,

² **“Go and proclaim in the hearing of Jerusalem, Thus says the Lord,
“I remember the devotion of your youth, your love as a bride,
how you followed me in the wilderness, in a land not sown.**

³ Israel was holy to the Lord, the firstfruits of his harvest.

All who ate of it incurred guilt; disaster came upon them, declares the Lord.”

⁴ Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the clans of the house of Israel.

⁵ **Thus says the Lord: “What wrong did your fathers find in me that they went far from me,
and went after worthlessness, and became worthless?**

⁶ They did not say, ‘Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt,
who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits,
in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that none passes through, where no man
dwells?’

⁷ **And I brought you into a plentiful land to enjoy its fruits and its good things.**

But when you came in, you defiled my land and made my heritage an abomination.

⁸ The priests did not say, 'Where is the Lord?'

Those who handle the law did not know me; the shepherds transgressed against me;
the prophets prophesied by Baal and went after things that do not profit.

⁹ "Therefore I still contend with you, declares the Lord,
and with your children's children I will contend.

We Individually Confess Our Sins

Our Salvation in Christ

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

¹⁷ If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

¹⁸ All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹ that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰ Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹ For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Our Calling in Christ

2 Timothy 4:1-5

¹ I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: ² preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. ³ For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, ⁴ and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. ⁵ But as for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

Hymn

Holy Spirit

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Holy Spirit, living Breath of God, breathe new life into my willing soul;
Bring the presence of the Risen Lord, to renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause Your Word to come alive in me; give me faith for what I cannot see.
Give me passion for Your purity; Holy Spirit breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within; may Your joy be seen in all I do.
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin in each thought and deed and attitude.
Kindness to the greatest and the least; gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my striving into works of grace; Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth, giving life to all that God has made.
Show Your power once again on earth, cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise; lead us on the road of sacrifice,
That in unity the face of Christ will be clear for all the world to see.

We respond in gratitude for God's blessing

The Prayers of God's People and the Lord's Prayer (in unison)

RE Mark Werner

The Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

All Creation Sings

J.S. Bach
The Aisquith Choir

Sun, moon, earth and stars break forth in exultation! All creation sings the glorious resurrection! Christ is risen! Death is vanquished! Heav'n and earth repeat the glad refrain. Mountains, hills and dales ring out with acclamation! Oceans, lakes and valleys all join the glad ovation. Christ is risen! Death is vanquished! All creation sings for joy: Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. O what glory far exceeding all that eye had yet perceived. Holiest hearts for ages pleading, never had such joy conceived.

The Gloria Patri (Hymnal, pg. 734) and Prayer of Dedication

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.

We are nourished by God's Word

Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 10:9-16

Pew Bible pg. 232

⁹ When he turned his back to leave Samuel, God gave him another heart. And all these signs came to pass that day. ¹⁰ When they came to Gibeah, behold, a group of prophets met him, and the Spirit of God rushed upon him, and he prophesied among them. ¹¹ And when all who knew him previously saw how he prophesied with the prophets, the people said to one another, "What has come over the son of Kish? Is Saul also among the prophets?" ¹² And a man of the place answered, "And who is their father?" Therefore it became a proverb, "Is Saul also among the prophets?" ¹³ When he had finished prophesying, he came to the high place.

¹⁴ Saul's uncle said to him and to his servant, "Where did you go?" And he said, "To seek the donkeys. And when we saw they were not to be found, we went to Samuel." ¹⁵ And Saul's uncle said, "Please tell me what Samuel said to you." ¹⁶ And Saul said to his uncle, "He told us plainly that the donkeys had been found." But about the matter of the kingdom, of which Samuel had spoken, he did not tell him anything.

Sermon

"The Truth, The Whole Truth, and Nothing but The Truth"

Pastor Ceselsky

Sermon Outline can be found on the back page of the bulletin.

We respond to God's Grace

Hymn No. 368

The Ends of All the Earth Shall Hear (with The Doxology)

Vision

The ends of all the earth shall hear and turn unto the Lord in fear;
all kindreds of the earth shall own and worship him as God alone.

**All earth to him her homage brings,
The Lord of lords, the King of kings.**

For his the kingdom, his of right, he rules the nations by his might;
All earth to him her homage brings, the Lord of lords, the King of kings.

Both rich and poor, both bond and free, shall worship him on bended knee,
And children's children shall proclaim the glorious honor of his name.

(The Lord's unfailing righteousness, all generations shall confess,
From age to age shall men be taught, what wondrous works the Lord has wrought.)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Benediction and Three-Fold Amen (**Hymnal, pg. 740**)

Danish

Postlude

Grace Greater Than Our Sin

Daniel Towner

Please be seated and quietly reflect upon the Lord's grace during the Postlude.

Announcements

2025 Tax Receipts are available in the Narthex. Please pick yours up – and thank you for your generous giving in 2025.

We will be beginning a New Adult Sunday School Class next Sunday. Pastor Ceselsky will be teaching a class on the means of grace. This class will feature audio and video teaching (from Ligon Duncan, Joel Kim, Sinclair Ferguson, RC Sproul, and John MacArthur), catechism summaries of the teachings of the Scripture, and a great deal of class discussion. Please plan to join us!

Aisquith will be hosting a 3rd Movie and Fellowship Afternoon on Saturday January 31 (Snow Date is February 7) at 1:00 pm. We will be presenting *The King's Speech*. This Academy Award winning film chronicles the British monarchy during the 1930s. In the matter of merely a year, three Kings ruled. The movie focuses on how the new King, George VI, navigated his unexpected role. In the midst of Hitler's rise to power, and the advent of radio broadcasting, the new King finds he must overcome a significant stutter to address the British people. We kindly ask that you bring a snack to share.

Our Annual Congregational Meeting is hereby called for 12:00 PM on Sunday, February 8. The purpose of this meeting is to review the annual reports and vote on changes to Aisquith's By-Laws (copies of the proposed By-Laws may be found in the narthex).

Annual Reports are due to Pastor Ceselsky no later than Sunday, January 25.

In the case of bad weather on days when we have Bible studies, or on Sundays; notifications of cancellations or schedule changes will be made via blast email, text alerts, a bar at the top of the main page of our website, and on the church's answering system.

Donations for the Roof repair can be made through the ARC Fund. Please use a pink envelope and label it "ARC" or "Roof."

Birthdays and Anniversaries this week: Today is both Noe Andrade's and Vicki D'Angelo's Birthdays, Thursday (January 15) is Maisie Manning's Birthday, Saturday (January 17) is Rick Willis' Birthday, and next Sunday (January 18) is Chris Snowden's Birthday.

Prayer Requests

1. Please be in prayer for Nancy Pearre. The eye procedure she had scheduled for this past week was cancelled, but she will be having cataract surgery on both eyes next month (the first one is scheduled for Monday, February 9). Please pray that the pressure in her eyes will be decreased before them.
2. Missions Prayer Request for the Week: The Chesapeake Presbytery – Please be in prayer for our local presbytery and the member churches of the presbytery as we seek to serve the Lord throughout the Baltimore region.
3. Please continue to be in prayer for those in our congregation who have on-going health concerns: Yoshio Amano (Yuki Fisher's father), Drew Calhoun (Mark Fisher's father), Joyce Donohue, Evelyn King, Betty Jo Norris, Libby Soule, Robert Willis (Rick's brother) & Ken Wilson.
4. Please be in prayer for Aisquith members, family members, and friends of the Aisquith Community who are currently struggling with various illnesses and other physical and emotional issues.

Weekly Calendar

TODAY:	9:00 AM	Sunday School for all ages Children – Rooms 16-17 Adults – Room 11
	10:30 AM	Lord's Day Worship Service
Tuesday:	5:30 PM	Bell Choir Practice – Room 28
	7:00 PM	Joint Board Meeting – Library
Wednesday:	10:30 AM	Women's Bible Study – Rooms 15-16 (Please prepare pages 69-75 of the Chronological Guide to the Bible)
NEXT Sunday	9:00 AM	Sunday School for all ages Children – Rooms 16-17 Adults – Room 11
	10:30 AM	Lord's Day Worship Service

Coming Soon

Movie Fellowship Afternoon – *The King's Speech* – January 31 – 1:00 – 4:00 PM
Annual Congregational Meeting – February 8, 2026 – 12:00 PM

Church Officers

Ruling Elders: Riley B. Franklin, Jeff Soule & Mark Werner (Clerk)

Deacons: Andrew Bell, Gus DeFord, Jonathan Frank, Ken Schumann (President), and Rick Willis

Deaconesses: Christine Clark, Debbie DeFord, Judi Mason, Fran Oswinkle, & Jeanne Williams (Moderator)

Sermon Notes

Date: January 11, 2026

Text: 1 Samuel 10:9-16

Sermon Title: "The Truth, the Whole Truth, and Nothing but The Truth"

Delivered By: Pastor John Ceselsky

Proposition: As believers in Jesus Christ, we must prophetically speak the truth of God's Word to all.

Main Point 1: Is Saul a believer? (v. 10)

Main Point 2: Is Saul a prophet?

Point 1: The group of prophets.

Point 2: A worldly disdain for prophecy. (vv. 11-13)

Main Point 3: Is Saul truthful?

Point 1: A Prophet and some donkeys. (vv. 14-16a)

Point 2: Failure to tell of the kingdom. (v. 16b)