

February 1, 2026

10:00 AM

**THE LORD’S SUPPER  
BECOMING LIKE CHRIST – MAKING HIM KNOWN  
COME WORSHIP THE LORD!**



**PREPARATION OF OUR MINDS**

(Entering worship, let us prepare our hearts reflecting on this.)

“If there is a change in your position with God, who moved? You may have broken the fellowship and ruined the communion, but if you are truly God’s child, the relationship and the family union still stand. Only remembrance, repentance, and return are required for them to be recognized afresh.” – Craig Skinner

**WELCOME & LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

**PRELUDE + LIGHTING OF CANDLES:** “Let us Break Bread” C. Callahan

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**INVOCATION & LORD’S PRAYER**

\***HYMN:** “Sing Praise to the Father”

**OLD TESTAMENT:** Lev 11:44

**NEW TESTAMENT:** 1 John 4:7-10

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

(Sharing our joys and burdens in prayer.)

**OFFERING SENTENCE AND PRAYER**

**OFFERTORY:** "As the Deer" M. Nystrom  
The Sherman Church Choir

\***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

**SERMON:** “Do You Know Who You Worship?”

Deacon Emeritus Charles Mastroni

\***HYMN:** "Bread of the World in Mercy Broken”

**Hymnal #774**

**THE LORD’S TABLE**

\***HYMN:** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

**Hymnal #20**

\***BENEDICTION and THREEFOLD AMEN**

(\*Congregation, please stand if able.)

(\*\* We use grape juice, bread, and gluten-free crackers.)

**Hymnal #9**

**Bible p.107**

**Bible p.1209**

**Hymnal #808**

**Come gather for fellowship  
following our Worship Service**

**NEXT WEEK:** Pastor Carpenter is away this week. Our guest preacher will be David Augustine. David is a campus chaplain at UCONN through the Reformed University Fellowship.

**February Scripture Cards** are available on the Narthex and Fellowship Hall tables.

**Calendar for Feb. 1 - 7**

(Links for online meetings may be found at [shermanchurch.org](http://shermanchurch.org))

Sun., Feb. 1	10:00 am	<b>Sunday Worship Service</b> Sunday School - Welcomes Julie Astbury
	4:00 pm	<b>Sunday School and Adult Bible Study</b>
Mon., Feb. 2	6:30 pm	<b>Deacons - Online</b>
Tues., Feb. 3	7:15 pm	<b>Missions - Online</b>
Wed., Feb. 4	10:00 am	<b>Women’s Bible Study - Fellowship Hall</b>
	7:00 pm	<b>Alcoholics Anonymous - Fellowship Hall</b>
Thurs., Feb. 5	6:45 pm	<b>Prayer In The Parlor</b> Dialing 667-770-1484; when prompted use access code 357664#.
	7:00 pm	<b>Alcoholics Anonymous - Fellowship Hall</b>

**Church Responsibilities for Jan. 25th**

**Flowers:** Edna Coons

**Coffee Hour Host:** Megan & CJ Tlasky

**Nursery:** Jill Finch

**Lenten Lunch**

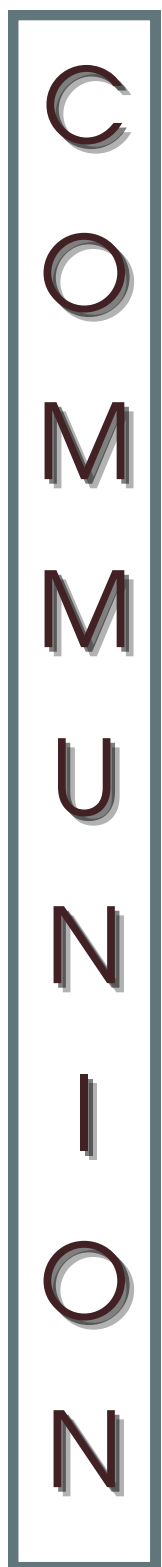
Lent starts on February 18th, and our First Lenten Luncheon Series will kick off on February 22nd, following worship, and continue each Sunday throughout Lent.

For those interested in contributing soup and bread, a sign-up sheet will be available in Fellowship Hall. You can also sign up to be a host or a helper!

**Lenten Series The Prayer Course by Pete Greig**

Conversation, testimony, and teaching to help you and your community grow and deepen your prayer life, one week at a time.

Pete Greig is one of the founding leaders of 24-7 Prayer and is listed by Relevant Magazine as one of the top 50 “Revolutionary Leaders” of his generation. Greig is a popular speaker and the author of “Red Moon Rising” and “God on Mute”.



## OUR CHURCH:

### Interim Pastor:

Rev. John Loring Carpenter

### Ministers:

The Congregation

### Minister of Music:

Penny Rose

### Moderator:

Charles Mastroni

You may make a prayer request anytime by contacting the church office at [info@shermanchurch.org](mailto:info@shermanchurch.org) or (860)-354-6114. Outside of office hours (9:00 AM – 2:00 PM) or for an emergency prayer or pastoral request contact the Chair of Deacons ([deacon@shermanchurch.org](mailto:deacon@shermanchurch.org) or 860-733-9972) or the Pastor ([pastor@shermanchurch.org](mailto:pastor@shermanchurch.org) or 860-350-5151). Let us join together in prayer!

## PRAYER IS ALWAYS OUR MISSION

Prayer is a vital part of our ministry at The Sherman Church.

You are invited to join in prayer each Thursday to pray for our church. Dial-in information is in the calendar.

**FIRE EXITS** are located at the rear of the sanctuary through the double doors and at the front through the doors on both sides of the altar.

## THE SHERMAN CHURCH

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## OUR MISSIONARIES:

- **Mesa Global:** Robert & Nina Bruneau;
- **CCCC Church Re-Planting:** Green Mountain Church, Chester, VT.;
- **Lion of Judah Academy,**
- **Hope Academy of the Bronx.**

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

- Eliza Capehart, serving in the United States Air Force.
- John Langworthy, back injury.
- Jim Beddows, health.
- Jim and Christine Munch, health.
- Roberta Judd, health.
- Christopher Siebert, healing of foot.
- Rev. Daniel Morton, health
- Betty Freeman, health
- Chris Freeman, health, strength in the care of her mother
- Debbie Whittaker, Dawn Langworthy's sister. Healing and growing faith.
- Jill Finch, Strength and healing during troubled times.
- Mike Annuzzi, friend of Tim Alemany, healing
- The Beareved Family of Brian Barnier

# THE SHERMAN CHURCH



## FEBRUARY 1, 2026

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# Mission Moment

## Gospel for Asia



Gospel for Asia, GFA World, is a well-established international missions organization deeply committed to seeing lives and communities transformed by God's love, coming alongside thousands of national workers in Africa and Asia. The goal has been to train missionaries in their own countries to eliminate the obstacles of foreign workers learning the language and establishing themselves in a completely new environment. This ministry began with a clear call from God and a genuine passion to see those dying without our Savior come to know of His free gift of grace and mercy. More than 40 years later, its heart remains the same.

Our February Mission Moment will present Gospel for Asia, GFA World Feb. 8. The second collection will be taken, and checks should be made out to The Sherman Church with Gospel for Asia in the memo line. Donations online at the church website, [Sherman Church](http://shermanchurch.org) (shermanchurch.org), can be made under Tithes and Offerings with Gospel for Asia in the Comment line.

K.P. Yohannan is the founder of GFA World. Born in South India in 1950, Yohannan was very shy but gifted with love and burden for the people around him in the north of India as a field evangelist. His future wife, Gisela, was also serving with the same mission movement during that time and shared his same vision and calling. They left India to search abroad for God's ultimate will in his life and, in 1974, came to the United States, where Yohannan received his theological training at Criswell College. As a theology student, Yohannan was ordained and began pastoring a local church in Dallas, where he served for four years. As the Lord reminded Yohannan of the millions in Asia still waiting to learn of His love for them, he resigned his pastorate, and he and Gisela began taking steps to start an organization to support national missionaries, which eventually became known as GFA World.

### ...because nobody should die without knowing **the love of Christ**

Because of Yohannan's and Gisela's faithful commitment to God and their passion to see others transformed by Christ's love, GFA World is today one of the largest missions organizations in the world. Through prayer and assistance, their missionaries care for poor children, slum dwellers, and widows and orphans; provide clean water by funding wells; support medical missions; and meet the needs of those in leprosy colonies. Through GFA's Child Sponsorship Program (<https://www.gfa.org/sponsorachild/>), tens of thousands of children are being rescued from the generational curses of poverty and hopelessness.

Yohannan died in 2024. During his life, he spoke on a radio program, Spiritual Journey, translated in 110 languages. His Road to Reality (<https://roadtoreality.org>) radio program aired on radio stations in the US and was also a podcast. He was a prolific writer with more than 250 books published in Asia and 12 in the United States. With more than four million copies in print, Yohannan's landmark book, Revolution in World Missions (<https://www.gfa.org/offer/revolution/>), has helped change the course of mission history in our generation.

