

MANHATTAN BEACH COMMUNITY CHURCH
February 8, 2026

PRELUDE "Little Prelude II" (F Major)

J.S. Bach
Jean Whitcomb, Organist

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Mike Spitters
Senior Minister

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Joanne Ordinario

HYMN OF PRAISE: 284, "Gather Us In" (verses 1, 2 and 4)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Carolyn Leserman

One: Jesus says: You are the salt of the earth.

All: Called to bring flavor, preservation and care to the world.

One: Jesus says: You are the light of the world.

All: Called to shine – not for ourselves, but for love.

One: A city on a hill cannot be hidden.

All: Nor can hope be silenced when it is lived.

One: Let your light shine before others.

All: So that God's love may be seen and shared.

One: Let us worship the God who trusts us with light.

All: Let us worship together.

OPENING PRAYER

Carolyn Leserman

ADULT CHOIR ANTHEM: "Shed a Little Light"

James Taylor

Kate Crellin, director; Andrea Church, guest accompanist

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Billy Minshall

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and LORD'S PRAYER

Billy Minshall

Our Father, who 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.

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Make You Feel My Love"

Bob Dylan

Reese Perelson, voice; Kate Crellin, voice and piano

COMMISSION OF LIFE GROUP LEADERS (see insert or screen)

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:13-20 (pg. 786)

Carolyn Leserman

SERMON

"Salt, Light and the Long Arc"
Pastor Mike



INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

Carolyn Leserman

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OFFERTORY "My Jesus, I Love Thee"

Adoniram Gordon

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

We give thee but thine own, what e're the gift may be;
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord from thee.

OFFERING PRAYER

Carolyn Leserman

CLOSING HYMN 588, "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" (verses 1, 2 and 4)

RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION

Pastor Mike

One: God be in my head

All: and in my thinking.

One: God be in my eyes

All: and in my seeing.

One: God be in my hands

All: and in my serving.

One: God be in my heart

All: and in my loving.

POSTLUDE "Epilogue"

Felix Mendelssohn

GREETER: Kate Bell

USHERS: Doug and Diane Carter

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