Welcome!

Epiphany of the Lord

January 3, 2016 +8:30 A.M. +++11:00 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

We Three Kings

Heather Cooper, organ

Janet Linker

Greg Brokaw, lay leader

*BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Acolyte

*HYMN OF INTENTION

"We Three Kings"

No. 254

(Preschool & Elementary age children are invited to leave during for Sunday School or remain in worship. Children will return to worship for Communion. Please see the Children's Welcome station for information and resources available for families and children.)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Lisa Frenz

ONE: In the quiet of the night a woman gave birth. A personal act of faith, accepting God's charge upon her.

MANY: In the quiet of the night, a husband became a father. A personal act of faith, accepting God's charge upon him.

ONE: In the quiet of the night, a baby breathes the air. A personal act of sacrifice, God stepped out of the divine into the mundane for us.

ALL: The Magi have come. God reveals himself to all through his Son, Jesus Christ. Let us celebrate this revelation in our worship together today.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY He Comes to Us As One Unknown

Robert Powell

*DOXOLOGY No. 94 or See Below

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 2: 1-12 pg. 2 NT

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SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK IN OUR LIVES SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER, AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and glory forever. Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 2: 13-23 pg. 2 NT

SERMON Refuge Rev. Cara Stultz Costello

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

The Apostles Creed

The Invitation

The Confession and Pardon

The Great Thanksgiving

The Sharing of the Bread and Cup

ANTHEMS Of the Father's Love Begotten

Beautiful Savior Frederick Swann

+ Lullv. Lullav. Lulla

Phillip Stopford

Richard Lind

No. 6-11

Lully, Lulla, Lullay By, by, Lully, Lullay, thou little tiny Child. O sisters too how may we do for to preserve this day, this poor youngling for whom we sing. Herod, the king, in his raging, charged he hath this day. His men of might in his own sight, all young children to slay. That woe is me, poor Child for Thee, and ever morn and day. For Thy parting neither say nor sing.

Schola Cantorum; Daniel Parsley, director

+++ Come to the Table of Grace

Come to the table of grace. This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.

Chancel Choir; Daniel Parsley, director

*HYMN OF MISSION "Angels from the Realm of Glory"

ealm of Glory" No. 220

*BENEDICTION

*CHRIST'S LIGHT TO THE WORLD

Acolyte

J.S. Bach

*POSTLUDE In Thee is Gladness

+++ Come-Union: All are invited to extend your Worship experience by attending the Communion extension through a new experience called Come-Union! We will meet Pastor Steve at the altar following the Postlude.

CLOSE WORSHIP SERIES

Do you have any close friends? Chances are you have other friends too. Maybe you move in the same social circles, work together or go to the same school. It's not that you *don't* like them. You just aren't that close. For most of us, our relationship with God feels like it swings between those two extremes. We all go through times when our relationship with God seems more "far" than "near", but what do we do about it? Thankfully, in scripture, God makes it clear that God's desire is to be close with us.

Be on a journey back toward a place of 'CLOSE.'

Sunday January 3rd—The Magi draw us close to the Manger @ 8:30, 9:45 and 11

Sunday January 10th—Drawing Close @ 8:30, 9:45 and 11

Sunday January 17th—Being Close @ 8:30, 9:45 and 11

Sunday January 24th — Staying Close * YOUTH SUNDAY * @ 8:30, 9:45 and 11

Next Sunday, January 10 Close Worship Series

Scripture Focus: Genesis selections & Close Refuge resources

Pastor Steve preaching

8:30 Special Music & Heather Cooper, organ

9:45 Celebration Bells & Modern Worship Ensemble

11:00 Chancel Choir & Heather Cooper, organ





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Co-Pastors: Revs. Cara & Steve Stultz Costello Organist: Heather Cooper

Liturgists: +Jake Lebold +++ Tom Douce
Greeters: +++ Ted & Pat Isue

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