



Rev. Ted Brelsford | Pastor
Rev. Gary Burdick | Pastor Emeritus
Robin Miller | Organist

Sunday, January 4, 2026
10:15 a.m. Worship Service

Epiphany Observed

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

Time of Silent Preparation for Worship

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done.

People: **The Magi who study the heavens follow a guiding star!**

Leader: O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:

People: **The peoples who live in the shadows see a glorious light!**

Leader: The Christ who embodies the Divine Word unveils the hidden plan, making us joint heirs of the promises of God.

People: **O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done.**

All: **Yes, come, let us worship the Lord.**

INVOCATION

***HYMN** *We Three Kings of Orient Are* Gray, #185 vs. 1,3,5

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

God of Glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and baptize us once again with your Spirit, that,

forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory and share your love. Amen.

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

***THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 60:1-6

ANTIPHONAL READING Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 2:1-12

SERMON "Epiphany and Epiphanies"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN** *Come, Share the Lord* Gray, #782

HOLY COMMUNION

*Affirmation of Faith

*Invitation

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Blessing

Pastor: ... we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven singing the hymn of your unending glory:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Pastor: ... as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.

Blessing of Elements

Partaking Together Prayer of Thanksgiving

***HYMN** *Angels from the Realms of Glory* Gray, #174 vs. 1,3,5

***GIFTS and OFFERINGS** *There is an offering plate on the table at the entrance to the sanctuary. May God bless the missions of our church and the needs of the world through the gifts of our resources. Amen.*



***DOXOLOGY**

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL BLESSING**

POSTLUDE

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

For peace in this country and the world, for our military, for all involved in war, and those who have lost loved ones and are grieving. And also for those whose needs we do not know.

For Bill Bates, Vickie Bieger, Shannon Cook, Gary Cook, Stephen Dearth, Sonne Durphy, Barb Fink, Scot Kish, Eleanor Kraft, Carol Mueller, Claudia Renzi, Chuck & Sheila Recktenwalt, Tom & Marilyn Rucker, Joe Ryan, Sally Schutt, Linda Smerka, Janet Taber, Bob Tills, and Friends and family of Bob Winter.

For Those in the Military: Zachary Braun, Justin Buczek, Teegan Partridge, Caydan Skinner, Jamie-Lynn Smerka, Justin Slighter, Joe Solak, Mary Solak, Aaron Wellman and Mark Williams.

OPERATING BUDGET INCOME & EXPENSES

Average weekly operating expenses: \$2492

Offering collection from December 24, 2025: \$762

Current: \$307 Christmas Fund: \$90 Christmas Offering: \$365

Attendance on Wednesday, December 24, 2025: 95

OPERATING BUDGET INCOME & EXPENSES

Average weekly operating expenses: \$2492

Offering collection from December 28, 2025: \$2,850

Current: \$2,828 Benevolent: \$22

Attendance on Sunday, December 28, 2025: 37

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Today there will be a **Invitation & Welcome meeting** following worship.
- Monday, January 5th 7:00 p.m. **Meditation classes begin** for 2026. See schedule on bulletin board.
- **Annual Reports.** Deadline is Sunday, January 11th.
- Wednesday, January 14th – 4:30 p.m. **Women's support group soup and game night.**
- Sunday, January 18th – Inclusivity group **coffee hour & Endowment meeting** following worship.
- Tuesday, January 20th – 7:00 p.m. **Board meeting.**
- Friday, January 23rd – **6:30 p.m. Movie Night** in our church's Fellowship Hall we invite friends and all to bring a pillow, blanket or comfy chair & join us for popcorn, hot chocolate & fruit punch to watch **"Frozen"!!**
- Sunday, January 25th – **Congregational meeting** following worship.