

# Order of Celebration

January 6, 2019 ✦ 10:30 AM

Epiphany Sunday

## GATHERING

Gathering Music

Sharing the Life of the Church

Centering Music and Service of Lights

\*Call to Worship:

Leader: The Christ child is born! All who would find him, prepare for a journey, as determined as the Magi. All who would praise him, come with the faith to follow a star. All who would worship him, come with humility to the child who shows forth the immeasurable riches of God.

All: **May our worship be filled with the light of Christ our Savior.**

\*Song We Three Kings UMH 254

\*Passing the Peace

Please greet one another with the words "Peace be with you".

Children's Message

Song for the Children: "Go Now in Peace" UMH 665  
Children ages 3-5th grade are dismissed to Fellowship Hall for "Kids Rock"

A time of confession and renewal

Leader: The light has come into the world, and the people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. Let us confess our sin to God:

All: **O God, our guide, who once used a star to lead people to Christ, we confess our poor sense of direction. We let ourselves become confused, easily distracted, and lose**

our way. We fail to follow the signs you provide. Forgive our waywardness, O God. Lead us to Christ so that we may follow his way to you.

Leader: This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you: God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true. But, if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all our sin.

All: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## THE WORD

Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 60:1 - 6	pg 906-07
Old Testament Lesson	Psalms 72: 1 - 7; 10 - 14	pg 719
Song	Fairest Lord Jesus Verses 1, 3, 4	UMH 189
Gospel Lesson	Matthew 2: 1 - 12	pg 1170
Message	The Guiding Light	

## OUR RESPONSE

Prayers of the People

Offering Invitation

We bring our gifts to God as a sign of our love and commitment.

Offertory Music

\*Doxology UMH 95

**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. Amen.**

\*Dedication Prayer

Lord, you were born in a simple stable and received gifts from the Magi. Please accept our gifts of money today, for we also love you and want to serve you with them. Amen.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Please join in the communion liturgy as printed in the United Methodist Hymnal on pages 13 - 14.*

*We will begin with "THE GREAT THANKSGIVING".  
Please join in responses that are in **bold print**.*

WE ARE SENT FORTH

\*Song                    O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee                    UMH 430

Taking the Light to the World

Benediction

Pastor:            The light of God's purposes has shone upon us. Carry that light into a new year.

All:                **The star of God's promises that led us to worship now leads us to serve in God's world.**

Postlude

Please Join us for Coffee and Conversation in Fellowship Hall

\*Please stand as you feel comfortable



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