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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We give thanks for all that God has already given you, and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.



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WELCOME TO ST. MATTHEW'S!



If you are visiting with us this morning we hope you feel welcome and will return to visit soon! Please take a moment to sign the attendance pad found on each pew or you can scan the QR Code to let us know you are here. This QR Code can also be used to make a financial contribution.



St. Matthew’s United Methodist Church

January 4, 2026, 10:30 am

Epiphany Sunday

Gathering..... Rev. Steve Casteel

Prelude Frank Laney, Organist

***Call to Worship..... Sanctuary Choir**
“What Child Is This” – Greensleeves

***Cross and the Light of the World**

***Hymn of Praise No. 245**
“The First Noel”

Morning Prayers

Call to Prayer No. 229

Pastoral Prayer *“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”*

Lord’s Prayer..... No. 895

Choral Response..... Sanctuary Choir
“Amen” – Danish

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 60:1–6

Donna Myers: *This is the Word of God for the people of God.*

People: *Thanks be to God!*

Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts

Offertory AnthemSanctuary Choir
“Carol of the Kings” – Vader / Rouse / Kirkland

***Doxology No. 95**

***Offertory Prayer**

Children’s Moment Meg Hanes

Hymn of Preparation No. 237
“Sing We Now of Christmas” (vv. 1, 4, & 5)

***Gospel Reading Matthew 2:1–12**

Leader: *This is the Word of God for the people of God.*

People: *Thanks be to God!*

Communion Message.....Rev. Andy Stoddard
“Hidden Heroes”

Service of Holy Communion..... No. 12

Communion Hymns *(Please join us in singing as others come forward)*

No. 640 – “Take Our Bread”

No. 617 – “I Come With Joy”

No. 641 – “Fill My Cup, Lord”

No. 618 – “Let Us Break Bread Together”

No. 420 – “Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

Invitation to Discipleship

*** Hymn of Commitment..... No. 254**
“We Three Kings” (vv. 1 & 5)

***Benediction**

***Cross and the Light of the World**

Choral Response.....Sanctuary Choir
“Benediction” – Bright

***Postlude..... Frank Laney, Organist**

**Please stand as you are able.*

The John Wesley Fund helps those from the community that ask for assistance from St. Matthew’s. If you would like to make a contribution to this fund, you may leave it at the altar.