



January 4, 2026
Epiphany Sunday

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Sharing an experience of belonging, with God's music and the love
and justice of Jesus at the heart of what we do.

Welcome

Rachel Robicheau

Opening Music: We've Seen God's Face

Guided Breath & Centering Moment

Opening Prayer

Rev. Timothy Sylvia

Entry Into Worship

Cassie Ramos

One: The star is still shining.

Many: The journey is not over.

One: Fear tried to stop it,
fear of losing power,
fear of change,
fear of a child born outside the palace.

Many: And fear does not have the final word.

One: Wise ones followed the light anyway.
They crossed borders.
They asked dangerous questions.
They refused to turn back the way they came.

**Many: Fear didn't stop them.
Fear doesn't stop us.**

One: So come...
with curiosity,
with courage,
with hope that keeps walking.

**Many: We come to worship the God
who meets us on the move.**

Scripture: Matthew 2: 1-12, 16-18

Cassie Ramos

Sacred Stories for All

Jennifer Harris Dault

Music: Show Up

Sermon: Fear Doesn't Stop Us

Rev. Timothy Sylvia

Music: (Something Inside) So Strong

Affirmation (Unison)

Rachel Robicheau

**We believe in a God
who reveals truth through light, not force,
and calls seekers to move, not remain still.**

**We believe Jesus was born beyond the reach of empire,
and yet empire feared him anyway.**

**We believe that though fear may shape the world...
it does not determine the future.**

**We believe the Spirit still calls us
to follow the light,
to ask hard questions,
and to take different roads
when the familiar path leads toward harm.**

**We believe faith is not passive
it is movement,
it is courage,
it is choosing wonder over fear.
Fear doesn't stop God.
Fear doesn't stop us.**

Amen.

Offering Invitation

Rachel Robicheau

Communion

Pastoral Prayer (with 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 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.

Closing Music: We Can't Give In to Hate and Fear

Sending Forth

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

WIDOWS’ MIGHT, Thursday, January 8th, 11:00 am: Our monthly gathering of those that have lost a spouse or partner will meet in the Chapel.

BRAVESPACE COFFEEHOUSE, Friday, January 9th, 7:00 – 9:00 pm: Join us for our BraveSpace CoffeeHouse! Enjoy an evening of creativity, community and connection to uplift and celebrate 2SLGBTQIA+ artists and their allies. This is a free event. Refreshments will be available to purchase to support future events.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Staff Meeting	Monday, January 5 th	1:00 pm in the Chapel
Governing Board	Monday, January 5 th	7:00 pm in the Chapel
Missions	Sunday, January 11 th	After Coffee Hour in Memorial Hall

SCAN OUR QR CODES:



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