

MORNING WORSHIP

January 6, 2019

Half past Ten O'Clock

Epiphany of the Lord

*When the prelude begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation.
Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

+WELCOME AND NOTICES

PRELUDE *Shepherd's Noel* Wayne Kerr

INTROIT *Ode to Joy* L. van Beethoven
Zachary Pineno, piano

UNISON PRAYER

God of Peace and Love, in the midst of this busy season, quiet our hearts and calm our spirits. Moment by moment, day by day, may we sense Your nearness and know Your peace. Amen.

THE WORD BECAME FLESH John 1:1-5, 14 Ben Muldrew

THE STORY BEGINS Lori Raible

*CALL TO WORSHIP Ben Muldrew

Leader: Let us come, just as we are, to see what has happened.

Congregation: Let us come with the shepherds.

Leader: Let us come and find the One of whom the angels sang.

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Leader: Let us come and find the One who brings God's truth to us.

Congregation: Let us come with those who are wise.

Leader: Let us come and find the glory of God born in a stable, and placed in a feeding trough.

Congregation: Let us come with the poor in spirit, and poor in flesh; let us come with those who are humbled by life.

Leader: Let us come and find the One who comes to lead us home to God's kingdom.

Congregation: Let us come with our friends and family, let us come with our neighbors and with strangers, let us come with all the children of God.

Leader: O come, let us come to the Babe of Bethlehem; O come, let us adore Him!

Congregation: Christ our Lord!

+*HYMN 41 (Verses 1 and 2) *O Come, All Ye Faithful* ADESTE FIDELES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

THE ANNUNCIATION Luke 1:26-38 Lena Hart, Meredith Northan, Bella Vera
The sending of the angel Gabriel.

HYMN 2 (seated) *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* HYFRYDOL

THE JOURNEY OF MARY AND JOSEPH Luke 2:1-7 Millie Johnston
Mary and Joseph journey to the stable.

SPECIAL MUSIC *Knock! Knock! Knock!* Rev. William Grime
Children's Choir

HYMN 25 (Verses 1 and 2, seated)	<i>Away in a Manger</i>	MUELLER
THE SHEPHERDS WATCH THEIR FLOCK The shepherds tend their sheep.	Luke 2:8	Ella Mills
SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>Infant Holy, Infant Lowly</i> Andi Bentley, Jay Masanotti	
THE ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE SHEPHERDS The angels share the good news of Jesus.	Luke 2:9-18	Ella Mills, Vivian Randall, Cooper Cumbus
HYMN 23 (Verses 1 and 2, seated)	<i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i>	GLORIA
THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF JOY The angels bring tidings of great joy.	Psalm 98:1, 4-8	Sarah Pineno
*HYMN 40 (Verses 1, 2 and 3)	<i>Joy to the World!</i>	ANTIOCH

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE VISIT OF THE MAGI The wise men bring gifts to the baby Jesus.	Matthew 2:1-2, 9-12	Channing Pfeifer
HYMN 66 (Verses 1 and 2, seated)	<i>We Three Kings of Orient Are</i>	THREE KINGS OF ORIENT
INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO OFFERING “A Savior born, a gift of joy! A manger bed, a star of light, a mother’s laugh, a tiny boy, a father’s prayer—such gifts that night! O God of love, Your joy uplifts—the poor now laugh and know their worth. May we Your church give Christmas gifts that bring joy to all the earth.”		Naomi Randall
		— <i>A Savior Born, A Gift of Joy</i> , Carolyn Winfrey Gillette
PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND GIFTS		
OFFERTORY	<i>Song of Sienna</i> Grace Haruta, viola and Alex Burgin, piano	Brian Crain
*DOXOLOGY (<i>Hymn 592</i>)		OLD HUNDREDTH
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)	Luke 2:30-32	Mills Roush

**For my eyes have seen Your salvation,
which You have prepared in the presence of all peoples,
a light for revelation to the Gentiles
and for the glory to Your people Israel. Amen.**

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN 29	<i>Go, Tell It on the Mountain</i> (Congregation sings refrain)	GO TELL IT
	Go, tell it on the mountain Over the hills and everywhere; Go, tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born!	
Verse 1	While shepherds kept their watching O’er silent flocks by night, Behold throughout the heavens There shone a holy light. (Congregation sings refrain)	
Verse 2	The Shepherds feared and trembled When lo! above the earth, Rang out the angel chorus That hailed our Savior’s birth. (Congregation sings refrain)	
Verse 3	Down in a lowly manger The humble Christ was born, And God sent us salvation That blessed Christmas morn. (Congregation sings refrain)	

*CHARGE

Lawson Simmons

Let us go to join the angels, shepherds, and wise ones; the humble, poor in flesh, and poor in spirit; our friends, families, neighbors, and strangers in singing of God's glory and grace. Let us go to share the good news, that Jesus, the brother of all people is in our midst. Let us go to offer peace and kindness to everyone, joining the Spirit in telling of all we have seen and heard.

*BENEDICTION

Lori Raible

*POSTLUDE

Fanfare on Wake, Awake for Night is Flying

Michael Burkhardt

*Those who are able, please stand.

+Ushers may seat late worshipers

SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL WHO VISIT

Please take a moment to sign the registry of friendship as it is passed along your pew so that you may be greeted and greet others by name. If you are actively searching for a new church home, we invite you to fill out the card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

Membership is by one of three paths: 1) profession of faith in Jesus Christ (for those who have never been part of a Christian church); 2) re-affirmation of faith (for those who formerly were part of a congregation but have not been involved in recent times - for example, you were baptized and/or confirmed but moved and never engaged with a new congregation); or 3) transfer of membership from another congregation (your membership is with another church).

New members and prospective members are invited to participate in Orientation Classes, which are scheduled several times a year, and are a wonderful way to meet others and learn about our church and all the opportunities here. We always stand ready to be in communication with you about your particular situation. The contact information for all staff members is in the bulletin each week.

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