



Open Hearts ~ Open Minds ~ Open Doors

9:00 am

January 3, 2010

10:45 am

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Epiphany Sunday

So, let your light shine. Whatever light you offer may be a beacon of hope and encouragement in someone's darkness. And if you feel that your light is not more than a candle in a forest, remember there isn't enough darkness in all the world to put out the light of one small candle.

Steve Goodier

Entrance

Prelude — "Prelude In G"J.S. Bach
Jenny-Marie Carson, Guest Organist

Lighting of the Candles..... Katherine and Christina Tarangelo

Introit — "Christ Is Born, Sing Noel" Martin How
Chancel Choir

*Processional Hymn No. 223— "Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light

*Greeting.....The Reverend Myron Wingfield

Arise, shine! Do not fear! The light of God has come into the universe.

Arise, shine! Lift up your eyes and look around!

We are now children of God, members of the same body and sharers in the promise of Christ Jesus.

The glory of the Lord shines on us. Let us worship.

*Hymn Response No. 188— "Christ Is The World's Light" (verse 1)

♪ **Christ is the world's light, Christ and none other;**

Born in our darkness, he became our brother.

If we have seen him, we have seen the Father:

Glory to God on high! ♪

(Latecomers may be seated)

Call to Prayer

Beloved, God does not disappoint those who come in hope, nor does God turn away those who approach in faith. And so, in hope and faith, we make our confession to God-
In humility and faith let us pray.

Prayer of the People

**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 shining in the face of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance

God is most generous in blessing us and lifting us beyond our losses and our fears. In Christ, we are linked with God's saving grace for all time and eternity.

In the name of Christ, you are forgiven. Amen

*Hymn Response No. 2071— "Jesus, Name Above All Names"

♪ **Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.
Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, living word** ♪

Children's Moment (9:00)

*At this time all children are invited to the front of the church to hear a brief message.
The children will be excused afterwards to attend their Sunday School classes.*

Greetings and Announcements

*Please register your attendance by clearly printing your **first and last** name in the attendance pad found in each pew, passing the pad to the end of the pew, and then back to the center aisle.*

Proclamation of the Word

Anthem— “The First Noel”..... Arr. Robert Shaw

Anita Hansen, soloist

The first Noel the angel did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep, On a cold winter’s night that was so deep:

Noel, Born is the King of Israel.

Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heavenly Lord.

If we in our time shall do well, we shall be free from death and hell.

Noel, Born is the King of Israel!

The Scripture Reading— Matthew 2:1-12 — (Pew Bible page 835).....The Reverend Martha Wingfield

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Amen

*Hymn of Preparation No. 254— “We Three Kings” (verses 1, 3, 5 All, verse 2-Men, verse 4-Women)

The Sermon — “A Baby For All of Us”..... The Reverend Martha Wingfield

Response to the Word

Choral Call To Prayer, Pastoral Prayer

*Greeting — Offering Signs of Peace & Reconciliation

The Offering

Offertory — “Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”..... J.S. Bach

*Doxology No. 94

♪ **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! ♪

*The Sacrament of Holy Communion— page 17

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Giving and Receiving the Bread and the Cup

Please come forward at the invitation of the ushers. Receive the bread into your open hand, then take the bread from your hand and dip it into the cup. Those in wheelchairs, and others who have difficulty walking, will be served where they are seated. For those with gluten allergies, the center-aisle servers have consecrated non-gluten wafers available upon request.

Prayer For Healing

From the station where you receive communion you may continue on to one of the stations at the big stained glass window in the narthex to receive a prayer for healing and be anointed with oil into the palm of your hand. You may choose to be silent or name your pain, illness, or brokenness. Or you may want to request a healing prayer for someone else, named or anonymous.

Music during Communion No. 164— “Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life”

Prayer After Communion

Loving God, because the broken bread has meant our healing, because the outpoured cup has meant our life, because our common sharing has meant the communion of our souls, we give you thanks, hear our prayers that our lives may be renewed in the life and the love of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Hymn of Consecration No. 256— “We Would See Jesus” (verses 1,3,5)

Sending Forth

*The Light of Christ Leads Us Out Into the World

*The Benediction

Choral Benediction — “Peace I Leave With You ” David H. Williams

*The Postlude — “Prelude In C”J.S. Bach

**Indicates that you are invited to stand.*

~Hearing aids, large-print bulletins and children’s bulletins are available from the ushers.~

***Join us for coffee between services
on the patio or at the Sunday School playground.***

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Manuscripts are available upon request.