

SAN DIEGO
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Open Hearts ~ Open Minds ~ Open Doors

9:00 am

10:45 am

January 15, 2012

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Pay attention.
Be astonished
Tell about it.*

Mary Oliver

Entrance

Prelude — “Reverence” (from sanctuary).....Gwyneth Walker

Introit — “Sing Unto God”.....Paul Fetler

*Processional Hymn No. 584 — “Lord, You Give the Great Commission” (verses 1-4)

*GreetingScott Fountain, Lay Leader

The glory of God transfigures the everyday.

The light of God makes the commonplace holy.

In the heights of our worship and the depths of our struggles

May God’s presence give us courage and peace.

Hymn of Praise No. 584 — “Lord, You Give the Great Commission” (verse 5)

♪ **Lord, you bless with words assuring: “I am with you to the end.”**

**Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as you intend and,
amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity. ♪**

(Latecomers may be seated)

Call to Prayer

Our Almighty and merciful God, by his loving kindness alone, accepts us and calls us to serve him. Strengthened by the Holy Spirit, we are made worthy of this calling. In gratitude and wonder, let us together lift our prayers to God.

Prayer of the People (*Psalm 139*)

**O Lord, you've searched me and you know me,
you know when I sit down and when I rise.
From far away you know my thinking;
you watch me where I walk and where I lie down.
You know my ways and all the things I do,
before I speak a word, it's known to you.**

**On every side, you're all around me;
your mighty hand is always over me.
So great your knowledge – far beyond me! -
its height and depth too great for me to see.
For it was you who made my innermost being
and knitted me together in the womb.**

**I praise you for my wondrous making -
I know that all your works are wonderful.
When I was hidden deep in darkness,
yet there you saw me and you made me whole.
And even then you numbered all my days -
my life unlived was written on your page.**

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance

Each new day is God's reminder that life is forward, not backward, and that by faith we are forgiven and delivered from the past. Let us accept this gift with thanksgiving.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

Hymn Response — No. 2128 “Come and Find the Quiet Center” (verse 1)

**♪ Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead,
find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed:
Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes that we can see
all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be. ♪**

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.

Childcare is available for infants and toddlers during both services in the Nursery located adjacent to the Sanctuary.

10:45 Children ages Pre-K— 3rd grade may leave for Sunday School.

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

Prayer For Illumination — “Be Still and Know”.....arr. Fred Bock

The First Scripture Reading — 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (Pew Bible page 236).....(9:00) Ernest Templin
(10:45)Samantha Sonnich

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

Anthem— “City Called Heaven”.....arr. Josephine Poelinitz

Kyle Malone, soloist

I am a poor pilgrim of sorrow, and left in this old wide world alone!
I ain't got no hope for tomorrow- I'm trying to make heaven my home.
Sometimes I'm tossed and I'm driven, Lord.
Sometimes I just don't know which way to turn.
But I heard of a city called heaven.
I'm trying to make heaven my home.

The Second Reading— John 1:43-51 (Pew Bible page 923).....Reverend Martha Wingfield

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Hymn of Preparation No. 463— “Lord, Speak to Me” (verses 1,2,5)

The Sermon — “Come and See”.....Reverend Martha Wingfield

Response to the Word

*Affirmation of Faith

Where the Spirit of the Lord is,
There is the one true church, apostolic and universal,
Whose holy faith let us now declare:

**We believe in God the Father,
infinite in wisdom, power, and love,
whose mercy is over all his works,
and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ,
Son of God and Son of man,
the gift of the Father's unfailing grace,
the ground of our hope,
and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit
as the divine presence in our lives,
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance
of the truth of Christ,
and find strength and help in time of need.**

**We believe that this faith should manifest itself
in the service of love
as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord,
to the end
that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.**

Choral Call to Prayer, Pastoral Prayer, Lord's Prayer

*Greeting — Offering Signs of Peace & Reconciliation

The Offering

Offertory — “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”Joe Utterback

*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! ♪**

Offertory Prayer

**Creator, Nourisher, Savior, Friend, receive these gifts not just for what they are,
but also for what they represent; our daily re-dedication of our lives to you.
May your dying love in Christ empower us to rise to new life in you. Amen.**

*Hymn of Consecration No. 733 — “Marching to Zion”

Sending Forth

*The Light of Christ Leads Us Out Into The World

*The Benediction

Choral Benediction — “Christ, We Do All Adore Thee”.....T. DuBois

Postlude — “Festive Recessional”.....Oskar Lindberg

**Indicates that you are invited to stand.*

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

ALTAR FLOWERS: Today's flowers are donated for the honor and glory of God.

GREETER: (10:45) Ruth & Earl Vermilyea

USHERS: (9:00) Pete & Diane Beyer, Bill Lundgren, Bob & Barbara Mitchell
(10:45) Joyce Calvin, Jean Chavis, Lani Clause, Nancy Meisenhelder

RECEPTIONIST: (10:45) Virginia Odend'hal

The Epiphany Paraments

Epiphany is the season of light and enlightenment. In worship, we celebrate the light of Christ being made manifest to the whole world as shown in the first story of the season with the visit of the Magi. The gospel stories tell of the growth of Jesus' ministry and his call for people to follow him. The Epiphany paraments, in green and gold, symbolize the glory of God's presence with us in Jesus Christ and the growth of the gospel.