



January 6, 2019 11:15 a.m.
Epiphany of the Lord

Gathering Song #749 “Come! Live in the Light!”

Welcome and Living Our Faith

Passing the Peace

Call to Worship

Like the Magi, take your bearing from the light.

We will be led by the deepest yearnings of our hearts.

Like the Magi, offer the Savior, your treasure, the best of your gifts.

We will offer our gifts and ourselves to God

Diane Karay, *All the Seasons of Mercy*

Song #150 “As with Gladness Men of Old”

Opening Prayer

God of our lives,

**you are always calling us to follow you into the future –
inviting us to new ventures, new challenges,
and new ways to touch the hearts of all.**

When we are fearful of the unknown, give us courage.

When we worry that we are not up to the task,

remind us that you will be with us every step of our journey. Amen.

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 2:1-12

Pam Wilson, Lay Reader

Response

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

Response #152 “What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright”

Message

Greg Jones

Offering

Please sign the blue friendship notebook and pass it to the person next to you.

Communion of the People

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Song #528 "Come, Let us Eat"

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Eternal God...

The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

The Lord's Supper is open to all who trust in Christ.

*When you approach communion servers, please take a piece of bread,
the symbol of Christ's love for you, and dip it in the cup, representing the new life in Christ.*

If you are unable to come forward, please tell a host so that you may be served.

For those who have wheat allergies, we provide gluten-free rice crackers with the communion bread.

Prayer following Communion

Loving God, like the magi, we have seen the star of your glory rising.

**The radiance of Christ pierces the darkness that covers the earth
and signals the dawning of justice and peace.**

May his brightness illumine our lives

**and may we have the courage to walk in your light each day
as we try new paths and embark on new adventures. Amen.**

Song #744

“Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

Sending

Song #549

“May the Love of the Lord”

Following worship, please join us in the Meeting Room for coffee, tea, and fellowship.

We are thankful for your presence and participation this morning. Westminster has two worship options each Sunday. Our other Sunday morning worship service is held at 9:00 a.m., and includes a choir, organ music and a brief Children’s Message. Both services include prayers, singing, scripture and sermon.

Please remember in your prayers Lola Miller and Kathleen Winter who were recently hospitalized.

Following worship, feel free to make a bouquet to brighten someone’s day. The flowers are given to the glory of God and to wish Peace and Joy in 2019.

Children are welcome in worship. You will find yellow worship bags for all children at the chapel entrance.

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[http://www.stushieart.com/2013/12/03/Christmas Art.](http://www.stushieart.com/2013/12/03/Christmas%20Art)

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