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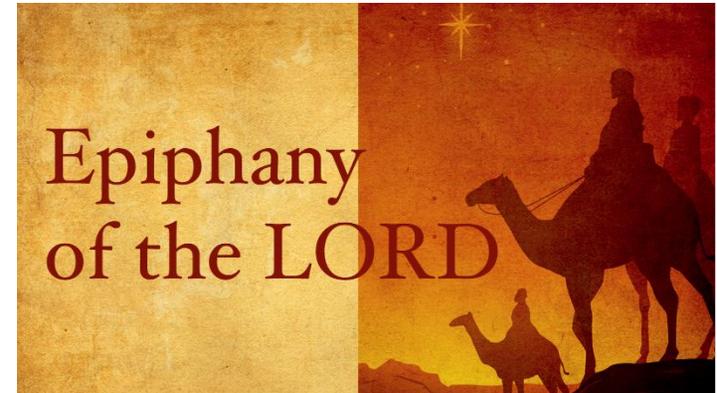


### COVID-19 Protocol Update

In an abundance of caution, we continue to recommend using masks when in crowds and when working directly with unvaccinated children and youth. Let's continue to show neighborly love and patience as we do all we can to welcome and protect the most vulnerable.



*“Worship God, Love One Another, Serve the World”*



January 2, 2022, 11:00 am  
Traditional Worship

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## Traditional Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Star of the East" Terri Boykin

Greeting  
The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

\*Hymn TFWS #2091 "The King of Glory Comes"

\*Opening Prayer of Confession

**All glorious God, we have faith in Jesus Christ, and love towards your people, yet we are not without blemish in your sight, not full of love, wisdom, and other spiritual blessings you still have available for us. Our love is not as inclusive as yours, and there is much that troubles us about your coming. Give us clearer vision of all that we are meant to be, so that by becoming fulfilled, we may increase the glory that is properly revealed in Jesus Christ, your beloved. Amen.**

\*Assurance of Pardon

Friends, hear the Good News! Christ has come to free us from all proud pretenses. The Christ has come in Jesus of Nazareth to show us the undeserved favor of God. Friends, believe the Good News!  
In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven!  
**In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven! Glory to God! Amen.**

\*The Peace

As forgiven and reconciled people, let us now show one another signs of reconciliation and love. (*Wave to one another and remain in seats*)

First Scripture Lesson Isaiah 60:1-6 Bobbi Edge

Open Altar, Open Heart (*As "Call to Prayer" is sung, all are invited to come to the altar for morning prayer led by a Pastor.*)

Call to Prayer "Love Came Down at Christmas"

Prayers of the People  
Lord in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

The Lord's Prayer

The Apostles' Creed UMH #881

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit;  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Gloria Patri UMH #71

Anthem "Jesus, The Light of the World"

*(Children ages 0-6 may go to the lower level of building #3 for Nursery and Wiggler Worship. All are welcome for drop off and adult volunteers are ready to receive them at this time.)*

\*Gospel Lesson Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon Pastor Kevin

Invitation *All are invited to come forward to receive prepackaged communion elements from our communion stations. Please wait to partake until after you have returned to your seats. Those unable to come forward may raise their hand and an acolyte will bring communion to you.*

Giving of our Tithes, Offerings, and Connection Cards

Offertory "A French Carol" Terri Boykin

\*Doxology UMH #94

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*The Great Thanksgiving

Breaking of the Bread

Giving of the Bread and Cup

Communion "The First Noel"

Prayer after the Meal

\*Hymn UMH #254 "We Three Kings"

\*Dismissal with Blessing

\*Postlude "March of the Kings" Terri Boykin

\*Please stand if you are able