



Our Mission: To serve and unite those we touch with the Grace of God.

Our Vision: Transforming lives to become the heart, hands and feet of Jesus in the world.

*Please stand as you are able in body or spirit

January 2, 2022

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 a.m. Service

For everyone's safety, please wear a mask for today's service.



Prelude

“Procession on ‘We Three Kings’”

- Barr

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Arise, shine, for your light has come!

The glory of God has risen upon us!

For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples,

But God will rise upon us, and God's glory will appear over us.

The light of God is with us;

All the nations' leaders will be drawn to the light of God.

God's light now dwells with us;

Come and worship, and shine God's light to the world!

*Hymn #251

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain” verses 1, 2, and 3

Call to Reconciliation - *Unison*

God of Light and Love, we confess we hide our light, we hold close our love. We fear our light isn't strong enough and we are afraid of having our hearts broken. We forget the light is from You, it is not ours alone. We forget the love You have given us is for all, and Your love heals us when the world breaks us. Call us to shine the light You have given us; to share the love You have loved us with. For You are the Light of the World; You are the Love that never fails. In the name of Christ, our Light and Love, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Love Given

When our light grows dim, others shine for us. It is okay to rely on others, to sit down and rest. It is okay to admit that the work of Christ is hard, and that sometimes we need to be loved on. We need the light of others to keep us going. You are loved and forgiven for being human. Now rest in the light of God, in the love of others, until you are ready to go into the world to do God's work.

Time of Silence/Centering Prayer

**please observe silence for meditation and prayer with God*

***Hymn#254** “We Three Kings” verses. 1, 2, and 5

Scriptures Jeremiah 31: 7-14 and John 1: 1-18 read by Bishop David Alan Bard

Message Can We Have a New Year? Bishop David Alan Bard

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Offertory “Let Us Go to See the New-Born Babe” - Nevins

***Doxology #219** “What Child Is This” verse 3

So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh,
Come peasant, king to own Him;
The King of kings salvation brings,
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.

REFRAIN: This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
The Babe, the Son of Mary.



***Offertory Prayer - Unison**

Today we joyously acknowledge that our spiritual blessings are emanations of your presence. May these generous gifts be applied according to your plan as we glorify your Holy Name. Amen.

Service of Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Sung Communion Setting *TFWS#2257 a-c*

One: The Lord be with you. **All: And also with you**

One: Lift up your hearts. **All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

One: Let us give our thanks and praise to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus

sung response *TFWS#2257b*

Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! (3 times) Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest! (3 times)

The Mystery of Faith

sung response *TFWS#2257c*

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Hosanna in the highest! (3 times)

The Lord's Prayer - Unison

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.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Post Communion Prayer - Unison

We have been fed, Holy One, by your presence.

We have been led, Eternal One, by your light.

May we bask in the glow of its mystery and love,

Now and forevermore. Amen.

***Hymn#238 Angels We Have Heard On High verses 1,2, and 4**

***Blessing and Benediction**

Arise, and go forth to shine for all the world to see.

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We go to spread the good news of light and love, righteousness and justice.
Go now and follow the star that will guide you on your journey this week, this year, and into the future.
As the Magi of old, we go forth in trust and excitement, transformed in the presence of the child of light.
May the God of Light fill you joy and wonder And may God's peace rest upon you.
Amen.

***Song of Peace**

Postlude

“March of the Three Kings”

- Provencal Melody



To those who participated in making our back-in-person Christmas Holiday service a blessed and merry one. This includes the decorators, the candle lighters and readers, the worship helpers for all services, the children who participated in the pageant, and the parents that helped, the choir, those who helped with the Wednesday night children's gathering, those who donated to Armful of Love and the 360 Communities Giving Food Tree, and to anyone we may have missed

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MEETING

Monday, January 17th at 7:00 p.m. at Grace UMC

WORSHIP HELPERS: Serving us on Sunday, **January 9th, 2022** ~ 10:00 a.m. service:
Greeter: Glenda Wheelock; Usher: Rick Fossum; Sound: Roy Koenigsberg; Liturgist: James Milne; Acolyte: Claire Conaway



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