



# Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day  
January 3, 2021



## EPIPHANY

## ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Epiphany Sunday

January 3, 2021

10:00 a.m.

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### GATHERING

**Prelude**    *Coventry Carol*

#### **Welcome**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

***And also with you.***

#### **Call to Worship**

*O come, let us worship the Lord*

*and consider what wondrous things God has done:*

***The Magi who study the heavens follow a guiding star!***

*O come, let us worship the Lord*

*and consider what wondrous things God has done:*

***The peoples who live in the shadows see a glorious light!***

*O come, let us worship the Lord*

*and consider what wondrous things God has done:*

***The Christ who embodies the Word unveils the hidden plan,  
making us joint heirs of the promise of salvation through the gospel!***

*O come, let us worship the Lord,*

*for God has done wondrous things!*

**Hymn #143**    Angels, from the Realms of Glory (vs. 1-3)

#### **Call to Confession**

##### **Prayer of Confession**

*We stumble around*

*bombarded by news of war and poverty,*

*famine and genocide,*

*injustice and oppression.*

*The maelstrom of things and issues*

*and people of the dark,*

*can overwhelm and paralyze us.*

*Help us be people of the light,*

*shining your light of righteousness, peace, and joy*

*into all the dark places of our lives and world.*

*Unlock the mystery and glory*

*of the babe born in Bethlehem.*

*Turn our aimless wanderings*

*into a journey of purpose*

*guided by your star.  
Let the light break into our lives and our world,  
and transform us into people of the light.*

### **Silent Confession**

### **Declaration of God's Grace**

**Hymn #582** *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* **Already recorded file**

### **Passing of the Peace**

*Take out your phone and text to a church member, friend or family member - "The Peace of Christ be with you."*

## **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

### **Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture Reading** Matthew 2:1-12

**Hymn** The Epiphany Carol, v.1

"On Epiphany" – Dr. Fred Graham

**Hymn** The Epiphany Carol, v.2

"On Epiphany" – Rev. Dr. Jeffrey O'Neill

**Hymn** The Epiphany Carol, v.3

"On Epiphany" – Rev. Becky Jones-Brown

**Hymn** The Epiphany Carol, v.4

"On Epiphany" – Rev. Shirley Paxton

## **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

### **Joys and Concerns of the Congregation/ Pastoral Prayer**

*Comment on Facebook if you have a joy or concern to be shared. You can also email or call the church with prayer concerns. Tomorrow we will send a list of prayer concerns over email to our community.*

### **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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.***

### **Offering**

*Your offerings support the mission and ministry of Eastminster Presbyterian Church. You can give online by going to <http://www.eastminsterchurch.org/give/online-giving/>*

**Hymn #136**    *Arise, Your Light Is Come!*

### **Charge & Benediction**

**Postlude**    *Ukrainian Bell Carol*

### **Participants in today's service:**

Ministers: Dr. Fred Graham

Rev. Becky Jones-Brown

Rev. Shirley Paxton

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey O'Neill

Liturgists: Worship & Music Committee

Robin Bell

Linda Hardenbergh

Sam O'Neill

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

Choir Director: Jadrian Tarver

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