

# Morning Prayer The Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord [transferred] January 3, 2021 9 am

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. [Isaiah 60:1]

# Ministers of the Liturgy

The Rev. Dr. Judith Lee
Our Sunday School & their families
[See cast list on the last page of this leaflet]
Reader: Emily Kee

**Musicians:** Randolph Bloom, Mary Johnson, Jeff Lukas Maddie & Kim Stochaj, Ann Marie Lockwood & Peach Warren

# Organ Prelude Opening Sentence

It is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. [Isaiah 60:3]

# The Invitatory and Psalter

The Lord has shown forth his glory: come let us adore him.

# Mary Johnson Invitatory Psalm 100 Jubilate

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \*serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; \* he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; \* give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; \* and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

# **Emily Kee** Psalm 72:1-7,10-14

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, \* and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously \* and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, \*

and the little hills bring righteousness.

4 He shall defend the needy among the people; \*

he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.

5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, \*from one generation to another.

6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, \*like showers that water the earth.

7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; \*

there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, \* and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.

11 All kings shall bow down before him, \* and all the nations do him service.

12 For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, \* and the oppressed who has no helper.

13 He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; \*he shall preserve the lives of the needy.

14 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, \* and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

# **Emily Kee** A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah [60:1-5,6b]

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

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

but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.

Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you;

your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.

Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. . . .

They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Musical Meditation Jeff Lukas

A Christmas Pageant: Zooming to Bethlehem

Acts 1& 2

Musical Meditation Hark the herald angels sing

Hymn 87

Kim Stochaj, Cello; Maddie Stochaj, Viola

Acts 3 & 4

Musical Meditation: We three kings Hymn 128

We three kings of Orient are Bearing gifts we traverse afar. Field and fountain, moor and mountain, Following yonder star.

O star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright, Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect Light.

#### Act 5

# Musical Meditation This little light of mine

Ann Marie Lockwood & Peach Warren

Refrain:

This little light of mine, / I'm gonna let it shine This little light of mine, /I'm gonna let it shine This little light of mine, /I'm gonna let it shine Let it shine, Let it shine, Let it shine.

> Hide it under a bushel? No! I'm gonna let it shine Hide it under a bushel? No! I'm gonna let it shine Hide it under a bushel? No! I'm gonna let it shine Let it shine, Let it shine, Let it shine.

#### Refrain

Shine all over Milford I'm gonna let it shine Shine all over Milford I'm gonna let it shine Shine all over Milford I'm gonna let it shine Let it shine, Let it shine, Let it shine.

#### Refrain

# **Closing Prayer**

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

# **Blessing**

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord. **Amen.** 

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only- begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth. **Amen.** 

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts. **Amen.** 

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.** 

**Dismissal:** The service now has ended. Let our service now begin.

Zooming to Bethlehem - Cast

**Announcer** – Landon Sweet **Innkeeper** - Laurel Pirelli

**Aaron:** Innkeeper's son – Nathan Pirelli **Leah:** Innkeeper's daughter – Reis Pirelli

Mary – Allison Kee

Joseph – Brandon Kee

Cow – Justin Richards

Donkey – Brigid Richards

Sheep –Zoey Richards

Rooster – Teagan Richards

**Shepherd # 1: Larry** – Sebastian Carpenter **Shepherd #2: Darryl** - Malachi Carpenter

Angel #1: - Teagan Richards
Angel #2 – Zoey Richards

Wise Person 1: Balthasar – Lauren

Ruggiero

Wise Person 2: Melchior – Lisa Ruggiero Wise Person 3: Casper – Tessa Scrimgeour

**The Star** – Zoey Richards