

# **EMMANUEL** UNITED CHURCH

## January 6, 2019, Epiphany

Prelude: Come Holy Spirit, God and Lord - J. G. Walther

Welcome and Announcements

\* Gathering Hymn: We Three Kings (Procession of the Kings)

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

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

- 2. Born a King on Bethlehem's plain Gold I bring to crown Him again King forever, ceasing never Over us all to reign. R
- 3. Frankincense to offer have I Incense owns a Deity nigh Prayer and praising, voices raising Worshiping God on high. R

- 4. Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume Breathes a life of gathering gloom Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying Sealed in the stone-cold tomb. R
- 5. Glorious now behold Him arise
  King and God and Sacrifice
  Alleluia, Alleluia
  Sounds through the earth and skies. R J. H. Hopkins (1857)

#### **Coming from the Cradle**

\*Invitation to Community

Jesus has been born

We are called to be reborn every day

God is with us

So we had better do something about it!

You have followed the light

We are called to be the light

**Gathering Prayer** 

God of stars and children, you shine in our lives in ways we do not always see. Even though the star might fade its light does not. Give peace in this time together to remember the gift given to us. In the name of the child Jesus, we make this prayer. Amen

Candles of Joy and Concern

\*Hymn: VU #81 As With Gladness Men of Old

Worship with the young at heart

### **Epiphany, Anyone?**

Preparation for proclamation: VU #82 A Light is Gleaming

A light is gleaming, spreading its arms throughout the night, living in the light.

Come share its gladness, God's radiant love is burning bright, living in the light.

Psalm 96, VU #816 Reader: Cliff McDonald

Matthew 2.1-23

Anthem: Light of the World - arr. J. Martin

Reflection

\*Hymn: VU #96 Will You Come and See the Light

After Herod Died....

Minute for Mission: Harry Lundrigan

Offering: Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now - J. G. Walther

\*Hymn of Presentation

What can I give him, poor as I am?

If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;

if I were a wise man, I would do my part;

yet what I can I give him - give my heart.

We offer our gold and frankincense and myrrh to the holy child. May the beauty of each moment be celebrated in the gifts we share. Amen

Prayers of the Faithful

\*Hymn: VU #79 Arise, Your Light Is Come

\*Sending Forth

You are the light of the world

We will follow the star

Its light is beyond our power

But not beyond our sight

Now the work of Christmas begins

For we are a gospel people.

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of Dedication

\*Concluding Rite: VU #87 I Am the Light of the World

Refrain: "I am the light of the world! You people come and follow me!" If you follow and love, you'll learn the mystery of what you were meant to do and be.

When the song of the angels is stilled, when the star in the sky is gone, when the kings and the shepherds have found their way home, the work of Christmas is begun: R

## In Appreciation

Music:

Minister: All the Congregation and Rev. Don Uhryniw

Arlene Gray and the Choir

AV: Brian James & Lyn Miller

Refreshments: UCW

Sunday School: Sue Masters

Ushers & Greeters: Susan Deeley, Joe Tompkins, Marg Byer, Sue Masters

Elevator: Christine Lewis

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