

Service for the Lord's Day

Epiphany Sunday January 10, 2016

We saw his star in the East and have come to worship him!

PRAYER OF PREPARATION (each person prays silently)

So, with shepherds who caroled a homeless family,
with those who came home singing from exile,
we lift our voices in joy and hope. Amen.

Gathering

PRELUDE “St. Crispin” Healey Willan

WELCOME Tom Laney

*INTROIT #149 “All Hail to God’s Anointed” (v. 1&4) Montgomery, 1821

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Arise, shine; for your light has come.
The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.
Come, worship the Lord of glory.
Proclaim God’s praise among the nations.

*HYMN #265 “Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun” Watts, 1719

CALL TO CONFESSION
In the light of Christ, we see the shadows of our world and of our hearts. Trusting in God’s grace, let us confess our sins before God and one another. Let us pray first silently, then together, using the prayer in the bulletin.

SILENT PRAYER (A time of silence for personal prayer)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Merciful God, you have given light to the world in Jesus Christ, but we have preferred to live in darkness. Your justice protects the weak and the distressed, yet we seek the shelter of privilege and power. Your righteousness redeems the poor and the needy, yet we seek the status of wealth and possessions. Your peace upholds the oppressed and the defenseless, yet we seek the security of weapons and retribution. Forgive us our sins, and lead us to true repentance, that we may trust you in all things; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

LORD HAVE MERCY Kyrie Eleison
“Lord, have mercy upon us,
Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us.”

ASSURANCE OF PARDON
This is the good news: Christ is the light of the world, who grants forgiveness and healing of our sins. Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen. #580

Proclaiming

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
FIRST SCRIPTURE 1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13 Bibles, p.192/LG. p.249
The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

HYMN #744 “Arise, Your Light Is Come!” Duck, 1974

SECOND SCRIPTURE Matthew 2:1-2 Bibles, p.1/ LG. p.2
The Word of God, for the People of God Thanks be to God

SERMON “Can We Thank God Enough?” Robert Adamson

Responding

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
How did Christ humble himself in his life?
“Christ humbled himself in his conception and birth, in that, being from all eternity the Son of God in the bosom of the Father, he was pleased in the fullness of time to become the Son of man, made of a woman of low estate, and to be born to her, with diverse circumstances of more than ordinary abasement.”
– The Larger Catechism Q 48

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MINISTRY OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY “Sun of my Soul” Hursley

*DOXOLOGY
*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Sending

*HYMN #82 “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” Wesley, 1744

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE #134 “Joy to the World!” (v.1) Watts, 1719

POSTLUDE “God is so Good!” arr. Joyce Jones

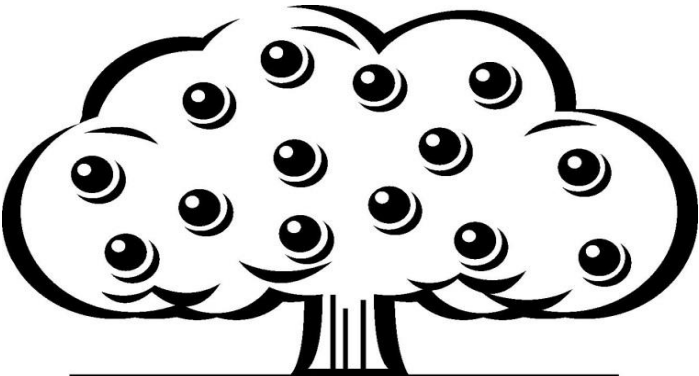
(*) Those who are able may stand.
Bold italic letters indicate congregational responses.

This week’s prayers and concerns: Tolly Dill, Diane Dill, Michael Dill, Jack Gray, Cindy Ratliff, Debbie Murphy, Jack Clark and family

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS		
Sat. 01/16	MLK Worship Service <i>Choir Practice Every Wed. at 6:00pm</i>	6:00pm

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And may the Lord
make you increase
and abound in love
for one another
and for all ...

1 Thessalonians 3:12

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