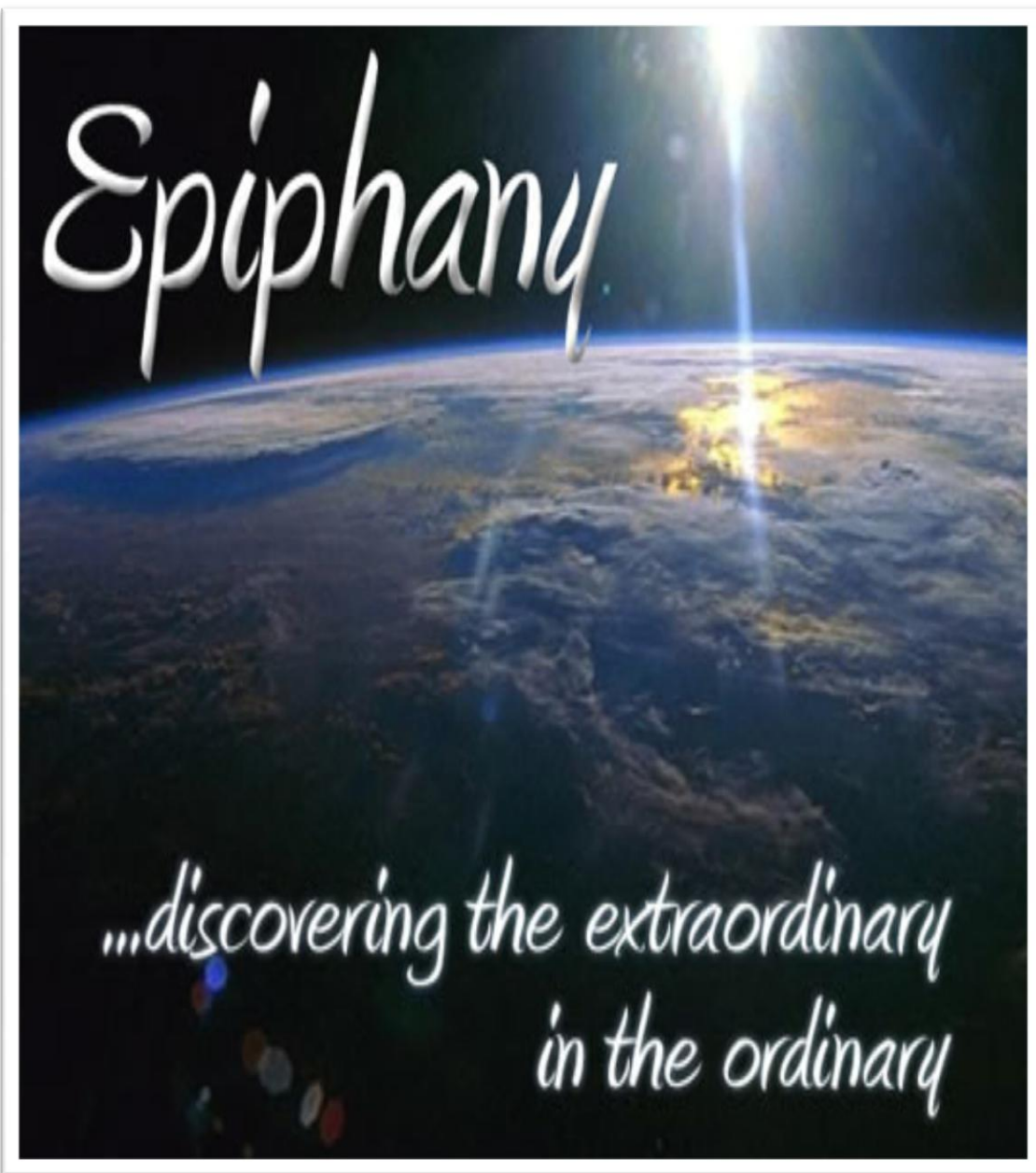


January 7, 2018 Festival of Epiphany



UNION CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

January 7, 2018

Sunday Morning Worship

10:00 AM



Welcome

in Christ's name to all who are visiting.

We are an Open and Affirming congregation of the United Church of Christ. Please let us know you were here by filling out one of the guest cards provided by the ushers. We are blessed by having you here. May you also be blessed because you worshipped God with us.

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GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Music for Quiet Reflection

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude:

Calling Each Other To Worship

Leader: We gather in the Light that was before, is now, and ever will be.

People: We seek the Light's ancient wisdom.

Leader: We gather in the Light that is God's continuing gift.

People: We live into the Light's new wisdom

Leader: We gather in the Light that is our own, emerging anew each day.

People: We seek to share this wisdom, nurtured in the Light from Bethlehem's cradle.

Opening Hymn: "We Three Kings of Orient Are" #80 green hymnal

Calling God into Our Hearts, Minds, and Spirits (In Unison as in one voice)

God of Light and Love, this very moment the star still beckons. Gather us and let the star call us to new ways of healing and hope, and renewal, as we discover again Christ's call to discipleship. Amen.

GOD'S PEOPLE LISTEN

Anthem

A Time for the Child In Us All

(Children leave for Sunday School through the Fellowship Room afterwards)

***Fellowship Hymn:** "Away in a Manger" #93 green hymnal

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 60:1-9 Matthew 2:1-12

L: God is still speaking to us through the Living Word.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Epiphany: The First Baby Shower"

Anthem

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Responding in Prayer

Sharing Celebrations & Concerns

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

Response

Responding through Giving

Invitation to Giving and Receiving of Gifts

Offertory:

Hymn of Praise:

"The Doxology"

***Prayer of Dedication of Our Gifts, Time, and Talents to our God (In Unison as**

in One Voice) Loving God, may these gifts reveal to us and to others the Light that is Jesus. And May this Light lead us on into new and challenging ways of living and serving. Amen

GOD'S PEOPLE FEAST

Communion Hymn: "O Little Town of Bethlehem" #82 green hymnal

Celebration of Holy Communion

GOD'S PEOPLE LEAVE TO SERVE

***Closing Hymn**

"Angels We Have Heard On High"

***Benediction**

***Response**

Organ Postlude:

***Congregation:** Please rise in body or in spirit.