



Faith United Methodist Church

6810 Montrose Road, Rockville, Maryland 20852

EPIPHANY SUNDAY

January 6, 2019

10:00 a.m.

**Those Who Are Able, Please Stand The People's Responses Are in Bold Print*
UMH=United Methodist Hymnal PB=Pew Bible

WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF THE LORD

GATHERING AND MEDITATION

As you enter and take your seat, please respect those around you who use this time to quietly center themselves and prepare their hearts for worship.

PRELUDE

'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime
Chancel Choir

Arr. Bryan Greer

(As the Prelude begins, please observe silence)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Susan Wyderko

Friendship Books – Please record your attendance and pass the book to those next to you.

First Time Visitors – *Please complete the yellow card & place it in the offering plate later in the service.*

MINISTRY MOMENT

Souperbowl of Caring

Julia Evans

*OPENING HYMN

We Three Kings

UMH #254

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Arise, shine; for your light has come!

We are called out of our darkness into God's light.

Lift up your eyes and look around.

We rejoice in the gift of light.

Come let us worship the God of light and joy and peace.

We come to kneel at the cradle of the Babe, the Light incarnate.

***OPENING PRAYER**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

**God of promise and light, open our eyes this morning,
that we may see your light in the darkness.**

**Open our hearts, that we may perceive your promises
of justice and righteousness fulfilled in the babe of Bethlehem.**

**May we, like the Magi, have a star to guide us on our journey
to find the One who will truly set us free.**

**May this time of worship bring us closer to You,
that the good news of the birth of light and love will transform our lives.**

Amen.

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST** *(A time of welcome; please warmly greet your neighbors.)*

May the peace of Christ be with you always!

And also with you.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD AND FAITHFULLY RESPOND

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Rev. Warman

Children in Preschool through Grade 4 may go to Sunday School afterwards.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Let us pray.

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit that,
as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you have to say to us today. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 60:1-6

OT page.690

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Arise, Shine, for Your Light has Come
Chancel Choir

Mark Bender

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12

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JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD, PASTORAL PRAYER

If you have a prayer request that you would like to have listed in the bulletin or given to the Prayer Chain, please complete one of the white cards in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

WE OFFER GOD OUR THANKS AND RECEIVE THE GIFTS OF GRACE

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation, Confession, and Pardon

UMH pp. 12

The Great Thanksgiving: Musical Setting "A"

UMH pp. 15-16

The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

UMH p. 895

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

Please come forward by the side aisles at the direction of the ushers. Once you receive a piece of bread, dip it into the cup and eat it immediately. You may then return to your seat by the center aisle.

If you are unable to come forward for Communion, please let an usher know and Communion will be brought to you.

*Please join in the singing of the following hymns as we celebrate Holy Communion:
#187; #247; #248; #249*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Almighty God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have revealed yourself to us.**

**Send us out into the world to see and bear witness to your revelation in all things,
and invite all to come, taste, and see your saving power;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

WE ARE SENT FORTH TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN

Angels From the Realms of Glory

UMH #220

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE (sung)

**Grant us thy peace along our homeward way.
With thee began with thee will end the day.
Guard thou our lips from sin our hearts from shame.
That in this house have called upon thy name.**

POSTLUDE

Ding Dong! Merrily on High
(You are encouraged to be seated and enjoy the Postlude).

Arr. David Lasky



Following this service, you are invited to come to the Fellowship Hall for a special coffee hour hosted by the SPRC to thank **Rev. Warman and his wife, Debbie Warman** for all the help and support they have provided Faith UMC.



Pastor Wayne Update: Pastor Wayne is home. We continue to pray for Pastor Wayne as he recovers from surgery. Cards can be sent to him at 18048 Wagonwheel Court Olney MD, 20832.