

Jefferson+town *United Methodist Church*

JANUARY 10, 2021

10:00 AM

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## TIME OF CENTERING

*LOVE CAME DOWN AT CHRISTMAS*  
WORDS OF INVITING  
*ODYSSEY OF THE MAGI*  
\*EPIPHANY CALL TO WORSHIP  
WORDS OF WELCOME

gathering music  
*Matthew 2:8*  
prelude  
see insert  
invocation

## ACCOUNT OF THE MAGI

PROPHECY OF THE MAGI  
VISIT OF THE WISE MEN  
*WE THREE KINGS* (UMH #254)

*Isaiah 60:1-4*  
*Matthew 2:1-6, 11-12*  
see insert

## PREPARING HEARTS AND MINDS

AFFIRMING MARY'S EPIPHANY  
AFFIRMING OUR STEWARDSHIP  
AFFIRMATION OF EPIPHANY

*Luke 2:19-20*  
offering blessing  
see insert

## ACCOUNT OF THE STAR

PROPHECY OF A STAR  
RISING OF THE STAR  
*THERE'S A SONG IN THE AIR* (UMH #249)

*Numbers 24:16-17a*  
*Matthew 2:2b, 9-10*  
see insert

## EPIPHANY PROCLAIMED

*GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN*  
*WE NEED AN EPIPHANY!*  
*THE FIRST NOEL* (UMH #245)

women's quartet  
*Ephesians 1:17*  
see insert

## NEW YEAR'S COVENANT

PASSAGE OF RENEWAL  
\**WESLEY COVENANT PRAYER* (U.M. BOOK OF WORSHIP)  
\**LIVING FOR JESUS* (TFWS #2149)

*Revelation 21:1-5*  
see insert  
see insert

## LIVING OUT OUR CALL

\*PARTING BLESSING  
\**THE GOLDEN CAROL*  
\*CONGREGATIONAL DISMISSAL

benediction  
postlude  
depart as led

\*You are invited to stand as able. CCLI #1359637; CVLI #504046422

## Welcome to Worship

We are glad that you are here to worship with us today. Those with children may worship as a family together in the sanctuary, however we offer a nursery/cry room at the back of the sanctuary, should you need it. Jessica McNeill is in the nursery today, and Kara Mattingly will have Children's Church for elementary age kids.

## Serving in Worship Today

**Greeter:** Nina Walton; **Worship Team:** Debbie Howell, Sandy Iacocca, Denise LaDue, Gigi Patsy O'Neal, Dayron Reyes, Nina Walton; **Sound Technician:** Morgan Nutt; **Videographer:** Dayron Reyes

## Hand Sanitizer

Touchless hand sanitizer stations are in the sanctuary and Gathering Area.

## Offering Plates

Offering plates are located at the entrances to the sanctuary.

## Human Relations Day Special Offering Next Sunday

January 17<sup>th</sup> is Human Relations Day. Your donations fund community outreach programs and empowerment of at-risk youth. An offering envelope will be in your bulletin next Sunday. Prayerfully consider a generous donation.

## Finance Team Meeting-Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>

The Finance Team will meet at 6:30 PM in the CAYA classroom (social distancing) on January 19<sup>th</sup> to discuss the results of the Stewardship Program, and the 2021 church budget. Please bring a mask.

## Statistical Report

**Attendance:** December 27, 2020=35; **General Offering:** 1/27/2020=\$3,443.00;

**Attendance:** January 3, 2021=41; **General Offering:** 1/3/2021=\$11,367.66

## Ongoing Ministries

**Harvest Food Program**-We partner with KFC & Starbucks, making 2 pickups weekly from both restaurants, and distribute the food to our homebound & others.

**Red Bird**-Coca Cola caps/carton end flaps (with codes)--place in Campbells Soup tin (Gathering Area).

**JAM Food Pantry**-Shelf stable foods, personal & infant care items. Place in JAM wagon.

**Lion's Club**-Used eyeglasses (place in the church office).

**Kroger Community Rewards**-Designate JUMC as your charity of choice. JUMC receives 4% of all your purchases. Quarterly checks average \$200.

**KY U.M. Homes for Children & Youth**-Donate online at: [kyumh.org](http://kyumh.org) or mail gift cards to them for their residents. The Homes also rely heavily on 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday offerings.

**WaterStep**-Donate gently used shoes (collection box in foyer by parking lot). Helps fund safe drinking water.

**Laundromat Ministry**-Dayron Reyes has used the quarters collected during Lent to pay laundry fees for clients at the Fresh Air laundromat on Wednesdays.

## Church Staff

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# Jefferson<sup>+</sup>town

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**“We Need An Epiphany!”**

*Ephesians 1:17*

**January 10, 2021**

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## Epiphany Call To Worship

Leader) Arise and shine, Epiphany is here and we rejoice in the light.

**All) We are drawn to God's light for our journey has begun.**

Leader) Arise and shine inheritors of God's light.

**All) We are bearers of Christ's light to our darkened world.**

Leader) Arise and shine, God's light has been revealed to us.

**All) We seek to follow God's light to guide our paths.**

Leader) Arise and shine, for the glory of God's presence shines in our midst.

**All) We look for signs of God's presence in the world about us.**

### ***WE THREE KINGS***

UMH # 254

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 light, star with royal beauty bright, westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown him again, King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign.

Frankincense to offer have I; incense owns a Deity nigh; prayer and praising, voices raising, worshiping God on high.

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom; sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone-cold tomb. *(refrain)*

Glorious now behold him arise; King and God and sacrifice: Alleluia, Alleluia, sounds through the earth and skies. *(refrain)*

## Affirmation of Epiphany

We believe in Epiphany, both as a liturgical season and as a personal experience in the lives of those who desire a deeper relationship with God. We believe in spiritual journeys. Much like the Magi, who sought out a star to follow, we seek a sign to light our way as we travel through this life.

We believe an Epiphany may occur any moment of any day, as we put the Lord first in all we do. These divine experiences are intended to provide spiritual direction and draw us into a deeper relationship with Christ Jesus. With the help of the Holy Spirit, who aids in guiding our steps, we feel a special closeness to God's all-loving presence in the world.

We believe God's light is never fully extinguished. God's light shines brightly in our acts of kindness and our displays of faithful obedience. God's light calls us to proclaim justice throughout the land. Signs and wonders are found not only in our own neighborhoods, but also amongst the poor and oppressed, the lonely and the unloved. We stand in need of a time of Epiphany.

### ***THERE'S A SONG IN THE AIR***

UMH#249

There's a song in the air! There's a star in the sky! There's a mother's deep prayer and a baby's low cry! And the star rains its fire while the beautiful sing, for the manger of Bethlehem cradles a King!

There's a tumult of joy o'er the wonderful birth, for the virgin's sweet boy is the Lord of the earth. Ay! the star rains its fire while the beautiful sing, for the manger of Bethlehem cradles a King!

We rejoice in the light, and we echo the song that comes down through the night from the heavenly throng. Ay! we shout to the lovely evangel they bring, and we greet in his cradle our Savior and King!

### ***THE FIRST NOEL***

UMH #245, vs. 2-5

They looked up and saw a star shining in the east, beyond them far; and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night.

*Refrain*

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

And by the light of that same star three Wise Men came from country far; to seek for a king was their intent, and to follow the star wherever it went. *(refrain)*

This star drew nigh to the northwest, o'er Bethlehem it took its rest; and there it did both stop and stay, right over the place where Jesus lay. *(refrain)*

Then entered in those Wise Men three, full reverently upon the knee, and offered there, in his presence, their gold and myrrh and frankincense. *(refrain)*

### **Wesley's Covenant Prayer** *(UM Book of Worship)*

I am no longer my own, but thine. Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt. Put me to doing, put me to suffering. Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee, exalted for thee or brought low for thee. Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing. I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal. And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it. And the covenant which I have made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

### ***LIVING FOR JESUS***

TFWS #2149

Living for Jesus a life that is true, striving to please him in all that I do, yielding allegiance, gladhearted and free, this is the pathway of blessing for me.

*Refrain*

O Jesus, Lord and Savior, I give myself to thee; for thou, in thy atonement, didst give thyself for me; I own no other master, my heart shall be thy throne, my life I give, henceforth to live, O Christ, for thee alone.

Living for Jesus through earth's little while, my dearest treasure, the light of his smile, seeking the lost ones he died to redeem, bringing the weary to find rest in him. *(refrain)*