

# FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 6, 2019

Epiphany of the Lord

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

**Prelude**

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

arr. Fowler

**Chiming of the Hour**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Introit**

*Arise, Your Light Has Come*

Adult Choir

**Call to Worship**

Leader: We have seen a star in the East!

**People: God is with us. Light has come!**

Leader: We have heard the songs of the angels.

**People: God is with us. Love has come!**

Leader: Now we follow the light into the world.

**People: God is with us. Christ has come!**

## WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

**\*Hymn # 229**

*The First Noel*

**Responsive Prayer of Confession**

L: God of light, shine upon us. Move us to see the glow of your presence in the darkest places:

**P: the places where it seems impossible for a candle to hold a flame.**

L: Move us to know the light of your Spirit in the brightest places:

**P: the places where the neon signs, LED headlights, and fluorescent bulbs are nearly blinding.**

L: Move us to notice the light of your love in the loudest places:

**P: the places where the chaos and cacophony demand all of our attention.**

L: Forgive us, Lord, of the ways we fail to notice and live in your good news.  
Move us to see you, to hear you, to feel your warmth.  
**P: May we know the light, and may we never fear the darkness.**  
L: For it was in the void of darkness that you formed the world,  
**P: and it was in the dark of night that you came as a child. Amen.**

### **Words of Assurance**

Leader: Friends, in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**\*Gloria Patri #734**

*"Glory Be to the Father"*

**Psalter Reading**

Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14

**Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

**Time with the Children**

Vicky Brady

(\* We urge children 4 and up to stay in worship, experiencing the fullness of worship as "family" during the summer. However, following the Children's talk, the nursery is available for all children through pre-school.)

**Anthem**

*I Wander as I Wander*  
Celeste Underdown, soloist

## **WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

**Scripture Lesson**

Matthew 2: 1-12

Pew Bible p.2- New Testament

**Sermon Series**

A Light to Enlighten the Nations

**Message**

Outsiders Becoming Insiders

Dr. Steve Starzer

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**\*Hymn of Response #236**

*As with Gladness*

## **Offering**

*(Please sign and pass the Friendship Pads during this time)*

### **Offertory**

*First Prelude in C*

Bach

### **\*The Doxology #44**

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

### **\*Prayer of Dedication**

## **The Lord's Supper** (insert)

### **\*Closing Hymn #233**

*We Three Kings of Orient Are*

### **\*Benediction**

### **\*Postlude**

*Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light*

Bach

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\* Those who are able, please stand.

Hearing assistance devices are available for anyone who needs them.  
Please ask an usher.