January 5, 2020

Epiphany Worship Series
Living into Who(se) We Are
Week I: *Follow Your Star*
January 5, 2020       Epiphany Sunday       10 am

~Gather in Spirit~

Theme: Living into Who(se) We Are - Follow Your Star

Prelude  Prelude sur Introit de l’Epiphanie (M. Duruflé)   Marcia Snively, organ

Welcome, Announcements and Hospitality Booklets  Rev. Mark Simone
Thank you for signing the hospitality booklet this morning. Your presence here is a blessing! When you sign in, it lets us know both who’s here and who’s not. When you’re able to be at worship, we celebrate that. And when you’re not, we miss you. Help us to keep connected by signing in.

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Introit  Arise, Shine, For Thy Light Is Com (J.E. Bacak)
Federated Choir

* Call to Worship  Rev. Simone
One: Arise! Shine! Follow the light.
     All: May the star we follow be the steady radiance of God’s grace.
One: Sing! Praise! Open your hearts to the light.
     All: May the star we follow shine on the paths of justice and compassion.
One: Worship! Give thanks! Rise like the star of light.
     All: May love rise like a star within us, bringing hope and healing to the world.
One: As a sign of our desire to follow God’s star, let us offer each other Christ’s peace.

* Passing of Christ’s Peace
(Children leave for Sunday School)

* Hymn  As with Gladness  No. 173
Scripture  Matthew 2:1-12

Prayers and Fellowship of Prayer

* Those who are able stand  **** Worshipers may be seated
* Hymn  
What Child Is This?  
No. 162

Invitation to Offering Our Lives and Resources

Anthem  
Go Tell The News! (D. Besig)  
Federated Choir

* Hymn of Dedication  
The First Noel (v. 5)  
No. 151
Then entered in those wise ones three,  
full reverently upon their knee,  
and offered there, in his presence,  
their gold and myrrh and frankincense.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

* Prayer of Dedication

Scripture  
Isaiah 60:1-6

Sermon  
Rev. Throckmorton

* Communion Hymn  
O Morning Star  
No. 105

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Communion Liturgy

Welcome to the Table
Come up the side aisles to the front of the Sanctuary to receive the Sacrament.  
Place your paper heart on the table. Take the bread, dip it into the cup, partake immediately.  
Then return to your seat by the center aisle. The gluten free option is available in the small bowls on the communion plates.  
Also, we use only unfermented grape juice in the cup. Communion in our Church is open to all who seek to walk the way of our Savior, Jesus Christ. You need not be a member to share. Freely receive at this table a gift from God, never earned or deserved.

Communion Music  
The Old Year Now Hath Passed Away (J.S. Bach)  
Marcia Snavely, organ
Pastoral Symphony from Messiah (G. Handel)

* Lord’s Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.  Amen.

* Hymn  
We Three Kings  
No. 172
* Benediction

* Postlude

  *Go Tell It on the Mountain* (W. Held)  Marcia Snavely, organ

  ~Serve in Love~