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**Epiphany Sunday**  
**10:30 a.m. January 7, 2018**  
**The Order of Worship**

**Song of Gathering**

*The first noel*

No. 245 (UMH)

**Community Announcements**

*(Please take the black welcome folder located at the end of your pew, fill it out and pass it to the next person. When the folder has reached the end of the pew, please return it to the starting point, noting the names of those sitting near you so that you can greet them. After the offertory, ushers will collect the welcome folders.)*

**Prelude**

*Gelobet seist du Jesu Christ*

Gottfried Homilius

*(Based on the 16th-century hymn *Praise to You, Jesus Christ*)*

**+Call to Worship**

Arise! Shine! The light you have been waiting for is here!

**Darkness has been banished!**

God's light of hope floods the earth

**God's light comes to us all.**

Lord, make us ready to journey to this Light.

**Prepare our hearts to receive this Light. Amen.**

**+Entrance Hymn**

*We three kings*

No. 254 (UMH)

**+Opening Prayer**

*(+ indicates congregation standing as able  
UMH = red hymnal, TFWs = supplement)*

## Psalm 72

No. 795 (UMH)



De - fend the need - y and the poor; let jus - tice and peace a - bound.

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(Verses: The Iona Community (sung by the choir))

## First Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6

(Pew Bible OT p. 690)

(Following the reading, the leader says "This is the word of God for the people of God;" the people respond "**Thanks be to God.**")

## +Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise be giv - en ev - er - more, by earth and heav - en.

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(Sing once before and once after the Gospel reading)

## +Gospel Reading

Matthew 2:1-12

(Pew Bible NT p. 2)

(Following the Gospel reading, the leader says "Hear what the Spirit says to the church"; the people respond "**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**")

## Time With Children

(Children ages 3 years thru 4<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Children's Chapel after Time with Children.

Please make sure your child is signed into Chapel and picked up immediately after worship).

## Hymn

*Arise, shine out, your light has come*

No. 725 (UMH)

## Sermon

*Different Star—Same Story*

## Prayers of the People

*Prayers, whether spoken or unspoken, may be written on the yellow prayer request card and placed in the offering plate.*

*In our petitions, we pray for each other, the world, and ourselves, and after the leader says "**God in your mercy,**" the people respond with "**Hear our Prayer.**"*

## +The Peace

(All exchange signs and words of God's peace.)

## Offering

Offertory *O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion*, HWV 56, No. 8-9 George Frideric Handel  
(Ilana Goldstein, soloist)

O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion, get thee up into the high mountain.  
O thou that tellest good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up thy voice with strength;  
lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, behold your god! (Isaiah 40: 9)  
Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. (Isaiah 60: 1)

### +Presenting Our Gifts to God



1: As with glad - ness men of old, did the guid - ing star be - hold;  
As with joy they hailed its light, lead - ing on - ward, beam - ing bright;  
2: As they of - fered gifts most rare, at that man - ger, rude and bare,  
So may we with ho - ly joy, pure and free from sin's al - loy.



So most gra - cious Lord, may we ev - er - more be led to thee.  
All our cost - liest trea - sures bring, Christ to thee, our heaven - ly King.

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## Holy Communion

## Sharing the Bread and Cup

*The Lord's Table in the United Methodist Church is open to all who confess Jesus as Lord, repent of their sin, and seek to live in peace with one another. You are invited to receive the sacrament by moving to the servers and receiving the elements by intinction. For those with physical limitations, or who would prefer to be served in their seats, please signal to the servers as they come down the side aisle. For those with wheat allergies or immune deficiencies, who cannot receive by intinction, please come to the front left station for alternative service.*

+Great Thanksgiving, Musical Setting C

pp. 20-22 (UMH)

Hymn

*What child is this*

No. 219 (UMH)

Prayer after Communion

*(Usbers will come by to collect the welcome folders.)*

+Sending Hymn

*Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light*

No. 223 (UMH)

+Blessing and Dismissal

+Benediction Response

*The Lord bless you and keep you*

Peter Lutkin

Postlude

Improvised Fugue on "As with gladness"

Brian Schoettler

*After the service, Dean Francis will greet the congregation at the Hinman Avenue exit,  
Bonny Roth at the Fountain Foyer exit, and Jane Cheema at the Church Street exit.*