



TRUCKEE LUTHERAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Epiphany Sunday - January 3, 2021

WELCOME

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Pastor Jeanie Shaw

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT AND CHRIST CANDLES

♪ **“Christ, Be Our Light”**

PRAYER

*** ♪ GATHERING SONG - “We Three Kings”**

Lorelle Banzett, Miriam Hoffmann

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Denny Lott

God, source of all light, by your Word, you give light to the soul. Enlighten us so that our hearts and minds may be opened to your light.

Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 60:1-6 (NIV)

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you.

See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples,

but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you.

Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look about you: All assemble and come to you;

your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried on the hip.

Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy;

the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come.

Herds of camels will cover your land, young camels of Midian and Ephah.

And all from Sheba will come, bearing gold and incense and proclaiming the praise of the Lord.

The Word of The Lord.

Thanks be to God.

***THE GOSPEL READING Matthew 2:1-11 (NIV)**

Jonas Ellison

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to

Jerusalem and asked, “Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have

come to worship him.” When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. When he had called together all the people’s chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. “In Bethlehem in Judea,” they replied, “for this is what the prophet has written: “But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.”

Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him.” After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

The Gospel, The Good News of God.
Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION - “Light”

Pastor Jeanie Shaw

♪ SONG IN RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD – “Bring We the Frankincense of Our Love”

OFFERING AND PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

Jonas Ellison

♪ SPECIAL MUSIC

“O Thou That Tellest Good Tidings to Zion” from Handel’s Messiah

Lorelle Banzett, alto

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Jonas Ellison

***THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The pastor continues with the Words of Institution and sharing of the meal.

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP OF LIFE

♪ “In the Bleak Midwinter”

***LORD’S PRAYER**

Pastor will lead the Lord’s Prayer in the ecumenical version. You are welcome to pray however you choose.

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING**

Jesus, Light of the World, sends us to illuminate the world with His love!

Thanks be to God!

*Please stand, as you are able, for sections marked with an asterisk **

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