

January 6, 2008

Epiphany Sunday

O inexpressible mystery and unheard paradox: the Invisible is seen, the Intangible is touched, the eternal Word becomes accessible to our speech, the Timeless steps into time, the Son of God becomes the Son of Man!
—Saint Gregory of Nyssa

We worship God

Music for Meditation

*Be receptive to the Spirit of God as worship begins
with Music for Meditation*

Prelude and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Welcome and Announcements

***Passing the Peace**

***Call to Worship:**

One: O magnify the Lord with me,
and let us exalt God's name together.

**All: *From the rising of the sun to its setting,
the name of the Lord be praised!***

One: Nations shall come to the light,
and kings to the brightness of God's dawn.

**All: *They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.***

*Arise, shine; for our light has come,
and the glory of the Lord
has risen upon us. Amen.*

***Invocation**

***Gathering Song:** *Good Christian friends, rejoice* #210

First Scripture Reading: *Isaiah 60: 1-6, The Message*

Songs of Praise: *They that wait upon the Lord* #584

In your sickness #585

Lo, a gleam from yonder heaven #591

God's Word for our lives

Children's story

Judy Myers-Walls

Second Scripture:

Matthew 2: 1-23

Message:

A tale of three men

Hymn:

As with gladness men of old

#218

We response to God's Word

"For this we rejoice..."

"For this we pray..."

Hymn Call to Prayer

Come and fill our hearts

#1119(HS)

Prayer for all God's children

Giving thanks for God's Word

Invitation to Giving

Offertory

Matthew Roop

***Offertory Response:**

Grant us, Lord, the grace

#388

***Prayer of Dedication**

We go out to serve our Lord

***Hymn:**

We three kings

#1045(HS)

***Benediction**

***Sending Christ's light out into the world**

***Postlude**

*Please stand as you are able.

Please join us after the service for a time of fellowship and refreshments downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.