

10:00 am Worship, January 2, 2022

Prelude *We Three Kings/ What Child is This* June Shuffett

Welcome/Announcements Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Call to Worship

Pastor: Arise, shine, for your light has come!

People: The glory of the Lord has risen upon us!

Pastor: Like sages from afar, come and behold your Christ!

People: Let us fall on our knees in his honor!

Let us lift our voices in praise of his name!

***Hymn** *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* UMH 173

Opening Prayer Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Pastor: Let us pray

God of all nations, peoples and cultures,

this is the day You have made bright

with Your light and Your love destined for all.

A light which made Your love for the world visible

in the babe born in Bethlehem—

Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Savior.

A light which guided those gift-bearing travelers from afar

to find and worship the Christ-child.

A light which leads us to You, now revealed in Jesus Christ.

As we worship You today,

overwhelm our hearts with joy

and empower us to live in the light of Your love.

In Jesus' name we pray. AMEN.

Children's Moment Linda Biscardo

Special Music *Behold That Star* JRSS Quartet

Prayers of the People Sarah Chambers

Scripture Reading Isaiah 60:1-6; Matthew 2:1-12 Lily Owusu-Ansah

***Hymn** *We Three Kings* UMH 254

Message Known by the Light: Called to Joy

Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Invitation to Communion Sarah Chambers

Prayer of Confession See Screen

Assurance and Pardon See Screen

***The Great Thanksgiving** Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
See Screen

***The 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 trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass 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.

***Breaking of the Bread**

Giving the Bread and Cup

Prayer Following Communion

Eternal God,

we give You thanks for this holy mystery

in which You have given Yourself to us.

Grant that we may go into the world

in the strength of Your Spirit,

to give ourselves to others

in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

***Hymn** *Christ is the World's Light* UMH 188

***Benediction** Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Postlude *God Rest Ye Gentleman/Carol of the Bells* June Shuffett