

Celebration of Worship

January 3, 2010 – 11:00 A.M.

EPIPHANY

We enter to worship;

we depart to serve

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Prelude Amanda Teachnor, Organist

Announcements
(Please sign and pass the friendship pads at this time.)

- ◆ Opening Hymn 485
“To God Be the Glory” (Vs. 1 & Chorus)
**To God be the glory, great things He hath done!
So loved He the world that He gave us his Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His
voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people
rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory: great things He hath done!**

Welcome & Silent Meditation

Invocation Mr. Craig Hilgendorf

Call to Worship *based on Revelation 1:8*

Our God is the Alpha and the Omega,
The beginning and the end.

**Before the beginning of the world He was.
And after the ending of the world He will be.**

Come, let us worship the timeless One,
for with Him we will share eternity.

- ◆ Hymn 63 *“As with Gladness Men of Old”*

WE CONFESS OUR SINS & RECEIVE GOD’S GRACE

- ◆ Prayer of Confession
**God of glory, you sent Jesus to be the light of the world
and to reveal your love for all people.**

**We confess that our sin and pride keep us from reflecting
the full brightness of your light.**

**We twist and distort the truth to get our own way;
We avoid taking full responsibility for our own actions;
We turn away from the poor and ignore cries for justice.
In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin
and baptize us once again with your Spirit,
Then may we show forth your glory
shining in the face of Jesus Christ.**

(...Silent confession will conclude with “Amen.”)

- ◆ Assurance of God’s Pardon
The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and
abounding in steadfast love. He will not always accuse, nor
will he keep his anger forever.
**He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay
us according to our iniquities. For as the heavens are
high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward
those who fear him.**
As far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our
transgressions from us.
- ◆ Hymn 476 *“O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!”* (Vs. 1)
**O worship the King, all glorious above!
O gratefully sing God’s power and God’s love;
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.**

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S GRACE

Children’s Moment Mrs. Marti
(Children’s Church is available for 4 yrs. through kindergarten.)

Pastoral Prayer and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the
kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Morning Offering
Anthem *“Love Divine Came Down”* arr. J. Martin
Love came down at Christmas, Love all lovely, Love divine.
Love was born at Christmas. Star and angels gave the sign.
Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav’n, to earth come down.

Fix in us Thy humble dwelling. All Thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, Thou art all compassion. Pure, unbounded love Thou art.
Visit us with Thy salvation. Enter ev’ry longing heart.

Sacred infant so divine, what a tender love was Thine.
Thus to come from highest bliss down to such a world as this!

Hail that ever blessed morn! Hail, redemption’s happy dawn!
Sing through all Jerusalem: “Christ is born in Bethlehem!
Christ is born in Bethlehem. Christ the Lord is born!”

- ◆ Hymn 525 *“Here I Am, Lord”* (Chorus only)
**Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.**
- ◆ Prayer of Dedication

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

First Scripture Reading (page 783) Matthew 2:1-12

Second Scripture Reading (page 862) John 1:1-14

Sermon *“Calling To Us in Ways We Can Hear”*

- ◆ Hymn 66 *“We Three Kings of Orient Are”*

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper
Invitation to the Table
Prayer of Thanksgiving
Words of Institution
Breaking of the Bread
Prayer of Dedication

WE FOLLOW CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

- ◆ Benediction
- ◆ Congregational Response Hymn 526
“For All the Saints” (Vs. 1)
**For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest,
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude

- ◆ *(Indicates appropriate place for congregation to stand)*

PRAYER LIST—NEW CONCERNS

Sharon Bolton—Pneumonia
 Marilee Nordhaus—Complications from knee replacement surgery
 Connie Plumlee—Fire in operating room during surgery
 J. D. Landers (16-yr. old friend of Kyle Norris)—Car ran over his foot
 Malawi earthquake victims
 Kermit Crawford (Mayme’s brother)—ICU with heart problems
 Carolyn Baker (Rugg family friend)—Loss of two sons and husband
 Madison Archer (7th grader)—Recovering from back surgery
 Rocky Sparks (Glenda Bare’s brother-in-law)—Cancer
 Kaitlyn (Stephanie Drymon’s friend)—Leukemia
 Marie Meldrum (Gail Reed’s friend)—Prayers for peace
 Ruby Sloan (Leola Hall’s friend)—Heart attack
 Judy Martin—Surgery for leaky heart valve
 Kelly Van Buskirk (Pam Smithey’s contractor’s wife)—Breast cancer

(Please refer to newsletter for Ongoing Concerns and Homebound Members.)

OUR MINISTRY AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, January 3

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
 3:00 p.m. Officer Training

Monday, January 4

1:00 p.m. Women’s Circle
 6:30 p.m. Officer training make-up session
 7:00 p.m. AA Open Meeting & Al-Anon Meeting

Wednesday, January 6 – Wednesday Night Live!

5:30 p.m. Dinner
 6:00 p.m. Pre-K & Children’s Choirs
 Jr. High Bible Study
 Women’s Bible Study
 Men’s Bible Study
 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
 Sr. High Bible Study

Thursday, January 7

7:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting
 8:00 p.m. AA Closed Meeting

Sunday, January 10

9:30 a.m. Morning Fellowship
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
 12:30 p.m. Fellowship Dinner & Mystery Theatre

THOSE WHO SERVE

Greeter: Lanette Duncan
 Ushers: Sharon Bolton, Captain;
 The Duncan family
 Liturgist: Craig Hilgendorf
 Sunday School Superintendent: Margaret Hammond
 Sunday Morning Fellowship: 1/10 **Need volunteers**



NEWS AND SUCH

Please refer to “OUR MINISTRY AND UPCOMING EVENTS” for meetings and events scheduled this week.

WNL Resumes this week!—Our regular WednesdayNightLive! activities resume this week so plan to come join the fun!

January Fellowship Dinner—The January fellowship dinner will be held next Sunday. The Fellowship committee is also planning a comic mystery theatre that has something to do with Boston Cream Pie so you won’t want to miss this one! See the newsletter for further details. Dinner committee members include: Eric & Michelle Miller, Captains; Jeff & Robin Mayhugh; Kevin & Amy McAllister; Jay & Tamra McAtee; Dan Milford & Nadia Rosales; Mary Beth Miller; Norma Mitchell; Jon Neff; Margie Neff; Becky Newhart; Artie & Steffeny Palk; Mark & Linda Perry

Congregational Meeting on January 17—Please note that we will have our annual congregational meeting on January 11. The purposes of the meeting will be to approve the pastor’s terms of call as recommended by the session, and receive the 2010 budget.

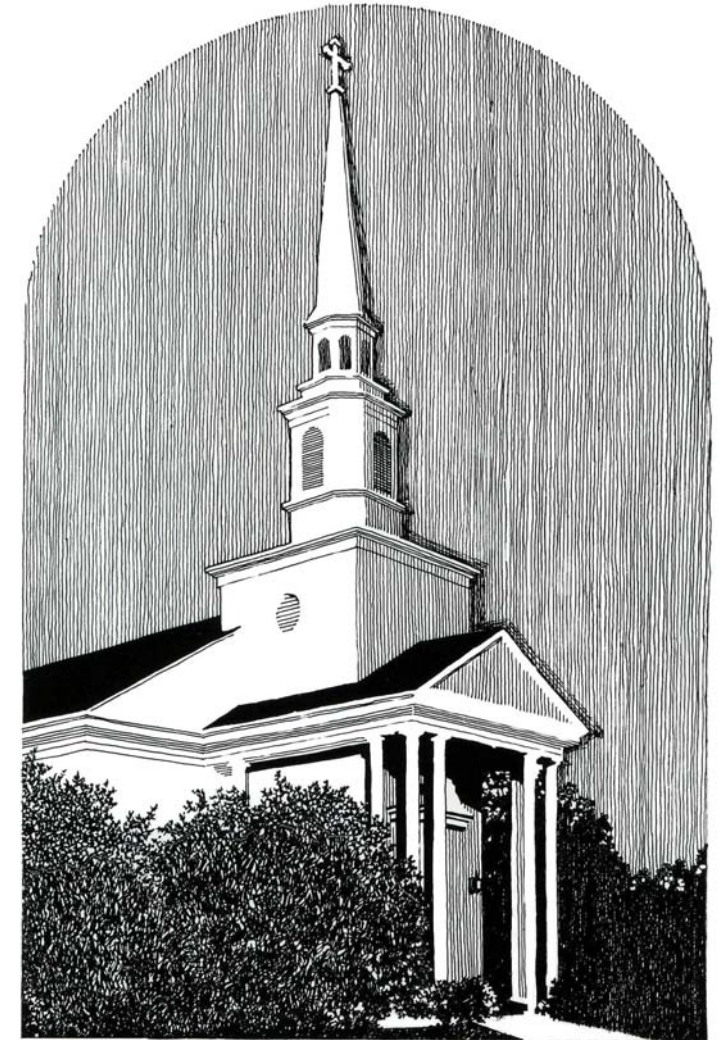


Sermon on the Amount (As of 12-27-09)

Needed for Dec.: \$19,762.08	Budgeted YTD: \$232,584.51
Received in Dec: <u>19,688.77</u>	Received YTD: <u>203,556.92</u>
Difference: (\$ 73.31)	Difference: (\$ 29,027.59)

OUR STAFF

Dan Milford—Pastor
 Willa Barnes—Secretary
 Marti Law-Lowery—Director of Children’s Ministries
 Bill Zahringer—Director of Youth Ministries
 Doug Ruffner—Director of Music
 Amanda Teachnor—Organist and Accompanist
 Krista Polanski—Treasurer
 Kyla Rice—Children’s Church Teacher
 Jesse McAtee—Interim Nursery Attendant



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