

# First Presbyterian Church

Order of Worship

January 4, 2026

Prelude I *We Three Kings* – arr. Page Long

Prelude II *King of Kings* – Brooke Ligertwood, Jason Ingram  
HolyGrounds Praise Band & Congregation

Welcome & Announcements Rev. Christian Johnson  
Pass the Peace

Video

Responsive Call to Worship Renita Jurgensen

One: Arise, shine, for your light has come! The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.

**Many: A new year dawns, and a brighter Star leads us forward.**

One: Nations come to the brightness of Christ's dawn. Kings and seekers from afar bring gifts to the King of kings.

**Many: We too have journeyed here, drawn by grace, carrying our lives as offerings.**

One: Behold the Child who makes all things new—the old has passed away, the new has come!

**Many: In Jesus Christ we are a new creation. Let us worship the Lord with joy!**

\*Opening Hymn *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past* #687, Vss. 1,2,4,6

Call to Confession Renita Jurgensen

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, You have called us to follow the Light of the world, yet too often we have wandered in darkness of our own making. We have clung to the old ways of sin and selfishness, resisting the new life You offer in Christ. We have hoarded our treasures instead of offering them to You; we have worshiped lesser kings and followed dimmer stars. Forgive us for the ways we have turned aside from Your path this past year, and for the ways we fear to step forward into the year ahead. Cleanse us, renew us, and lead us by Your grace.**

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

\*Doxology *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*  
HolyGrounds Praise Band & Congregation

Prayer for Illumination Renita Jurgensen

Scripture — Isaiah 60:1-6 (NIV)

Anthem *Don't Stop Praying* – Matthew West  
HolyGrounds Praise Band

Time with our Children Anita Ramsey

Sermon Rev. Christian Johnson  
How Far Will You Go to Find the One Who Makes All Things New?

Scripture — Matthew 2:1-12 (NIV)

\*Affirmation of Faith – The Nicene Creed

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Communion Music *Noel* – Henri Mulet

Communion Prayer/Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer Rev. Christian Johnson

Commissioning of Gerlach Family

Call to Offering Renita Jurgensen

Offertory *We Three Kings of Orient Are* #151, Vss. 1-3  
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Prayer of Dedication Rev. Christian Johnson

\*Closing Hymn *Undignified* – Matt Redman  
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\*Benediction Rev. Christian Johnson

Postlude *We Three Kings* – arr. Alvin Whitworth

\*Please rise in body or spirit.

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