

The Presbyterian Church at Tenafly



For Every Heart a Home

January 11th, 2026 at 10:30am
First Sunday of Epiphany

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie
Liturgist: Carol Khoury
Ushers: Brian Coats-Thomas and Pete Abitante
Coffee Hour Host: Brian and Marilyn Coats-Thomas

Welcome to worship! If you are visiting or here for the first time and would like to stay in touch with us, please consider filling in one of the contact cards that you will find alongside the hymnals or you can use this QR code. These can be placed in the offering plate or handed to an usher. Church School for children happens during the 10:30am worship service. Ask one of the ushers for directions if you would like to take your child through to join in.



Prelude

Welcome, Sharing the Peace, and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Call to Worship

***Hymn 150** *As with Gladness Men of Old*

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Liturgist

Kyrie Eleison

Martin sings:	Kyrie Eleison
Congregation, Choir & Cantor:	Kyrie Eleison
Martin sings:	Christe Eleison
Congregation, Choir & Cantor:	Christe Eleison
Martin sings:	Kyrie Eleison
Congregation, Choir & Cantor:	Kyrie Eleison

Declaration of Forgiveness

Liturgist

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,
The power and the glory, forever. **AMEN**

Choir Anthem (Psalm 139) *O God, You Search Me and You Know Me*
by Bernadette Farrell

Reading Isaiah 60:1-6 Liturgist

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

***Hymn (Psalm 72)** *Hail to the Lord's Anointed* (see page 5)

Reading Ephesians 3:1-12 Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring

to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

***Hymn 152** *What Star is This, with Beams to Bright*

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Sharing our Gifts, during which we hear Sherice Roberts sing *The Three Kings* by Peter Cornelius

If you are visiting or would like to make an extra offering on top of your usual contribution to the church, you can use your smart phone to scan this QR code to make a donation by credit card (3% surcharge) or by debit card (no surcharge). Cash and check donations are always acceptable!

GENERAL OFFERING



***Doxology**

Dedication Prayer

Liturgist

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

***Hymn** *Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning* (see page 6)

Benediction and Celtic Amen

Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen (x2)

Postlude

***Those who are able, please stand.**

72A Hail to the Lord's Anointed

G D C Dsus D G

1 Hail to the Lord's a - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great-er Son!
 2 You come with res - cue speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,
 3 You shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit-ful earth;
 4 Kings shall fall down be - fore you, and gold and in-cense bring;

D C Dsus D G

Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, your reign on earth be - gun!
 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;
 love, joy, and hope, like flow - ers, spring in your path to birth.
 all na - tions shall a - dore you, your praise all peo - ple sing.

Asus A D C G Em D

You come to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free,
 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark-ness turn to light,
 Be - fore you on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;
 To you shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows as - cend;

G/B C Am D C Dsus D G

to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.
 whose souls, con-demned and dy - ing, are pre - cious in your sight.
 and right-eous-ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow.
 your king-dom still in - creas - ing, a king-dom with-out end.

67 Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning

MORNING STAR 11.10.11.10

Reginald Heber, 1811; alt.

James Proctor Harding, 1892

1. Bright - est and best of the stars of the morn - ing,
 2. Cold on His cra - dle the dew - drops are shin - ing,
 3. Shall we then yield Him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion,
 4. Vain - ly we of - fer each am - ple ob - la - tion,

Dawn on our dark - ness and lend us thine aid;
 Low lies His head with the beasts of the stall;
 O - dors of E - dom and of - ferings di - vine,
 Vain - ly with gifts would His fa - vor se - cure;

Star of the east, the ho - ri - zon a - dorn - ing,
 An - gels a - dore Him in slum - ber re - clin - ing,
 Gems of the moun - tain and pearls of the o - cean,
 Rich - er by far is the heart's ad - o - ra - tion,

Guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.
 Mak - er and Mon - arch and Sav - ior of all!
 Myrrh from the for - est, or gold from the mine?
 Dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.*

Announcements

Next Sunday

The Second Sunday of Epiphany

Joint Intergenerational worship at 10:30am in the Sanctuary
and Farewell to the Coppolinos

Livestreaming of Worship. Today's service is broadcast live online. You can watch the service again later via our website homepage if you wish to. Huge thanks to our entire technical team.

THIS AFTERNOON Nora Neus is back with us to talk about her new book, *24 Hours at the Capitol: An Oral History of the January 6th Insurrection*. Join us at 4:30pm in the Sanctuary. Free entry; bring friends!

Farewell to the Coppolinos. As you may have read in the newsletter, John and Cathy are relocating down state. Their last Sunday with us will be next Sunday Jan. 18th and we will be both saying thank you and farewell to them. Be there if you can!

Johnny Coppolino is playing for Emory Eagles against NYU basketball next Sunday Jan. 18th at 2pm in the city. Would you like to take this last chance to see him in action locally before he graduates this summer? Let Nancy in the office know if you would like to be added to the carpool list.

The Soup Squad. We are asking all soup makers to share a container of their home-made soup. Please arrange with Nancy in the office to drop off donations and help with labeling, the type of soup and the ingredients are needed. Many thanks for sharing your culinary skills!

Scottish Night Saturday January 24th at 5pm in the Church House. An evening of food, poems, stories, and music to celebrate Scotland's national poet, Robert Burns. Sign up in the Narthex.

The Presby Readers will be gathering Sunday, January 25th at 4pm at Carolyn and Al Rocco's home to discuss *Berry Pickers: A Novel* by Amanda Peters. All are welcome.

Tenafly High School Philharmonic Orchestra will be visiting again to perform a concert on Friday, February 6th at 7pm. Repertoire to be confirmed. Stay tuned and save the date!

Regular Groups at PCAT

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