

**Worship**  
**Sunday, January 4, 2026**

**Prelude** [Magi Processional]

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship (responsive)**

*Children of God, we enter the new year as we ended the last: gathered together for worship!*

**We gather to seek, find, and follow the Light.**

*The prophet Isaiah calls to us from deep in the past: "Arise, shine; for your light has come."*

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*The magi followed a star to find a small child who is the Light of the world.*

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*So, let us receive the call of Isaiah and follow the example of the magi as we begin this new year turning our faces to God whose glory shows up among us as a vulnerable child, a poor carpenter, and a foot-washing servant who is the salvation of the world.*

**We gather to seek, find, and follow the Light today and every day. Amen.**

**Hymn of Response:** *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* UMH 206, v.1

**Children's Message:** *Follow the Star*  
**Bible Storybook** Matthew 2:1-12

**Hymn:** *What Child is This* UMH 219

**Passing of the Peace**

**Prayers of the People**

*(Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.)*

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Invitation to Offering**

**Offertory:**

**Doxology – Hymn 94**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Scripture:** Matthew 2:1-12

*(reader) The Word of the Lord!*

**(All) Thanks be to God!**

**Hymn of Response:** *We Three Kings* UMH 254

**Message:** *Seeing the Light*

**Sacrament of Holy Communion for Epiphany: (See Insert)**

**Opportunities Coming Soon! (Announcements)**

**Blessing (Benediction)**

**Closing Song:** *The First Noel* UMH 245 vv. 1, 3,

***Please join us for Coffee Fellowship  
after the service!***

**Our Staff:**

Pastor: Rev. Kim Poer  
Office Administrator: Nancy Volgamore  
Music Director: Matthew Compton  
Accompanist: Josh Billings  
Family Ministries: Tiffiney Nordby  
Preschool Director: Ashley Skelton

**TODAY'S SERVANTS:**

Reader: Jan Asai  
Greeters: Jim & Betty Selby  
Ushers: Kathy Bachman & Greg Berry  
Communion Servers: Lila DeBolt and Doug & Pam Lehrman  
A/V Booth: Kay Cooke, Glenn Ekberg, Dan Kingsley  
Information Desk: TBD  
Sunday School Volunteer: Karen Beilsmith  
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*We are a welcoming United Methodist Church congregation that worships together as disciples of Jesus Christ, uniting in fellowship, missions and service.*