

# **Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!**

**JANUARY 10, 2021**

**Epiphany of the Lord**

**10:00 a.m.**

*Welcome to this Sacred Time and Holy Place of Worship.*

Quote for Meditation: : *“For he delivers the needy when they call, the poor and those who have no helper. He has pity on the weak and the needy, and saves the lives of the needy. From oppression and violence he redeems their life; and precious is their blood in his sight. ”*  
- Psalm 72:12–14 NRSV

**GREETING and PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Chris Scrivens

**PRELUDE**

“We Three Kings”

Bell Ringers

## **GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Almighty God,  
you wonderfully created,  
and yet more wonderfully restored,  
the dignity of human nature.

**All:** *May his brightness illumine our lives  
and beckon all nations to walk as one in your light.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ your Word made flesh,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
in the splendor of eternal light,  
God forever and ever. Amen.*

**OPENING HYMN:** #142 “ ’Twas in the Moon on Wintertime” Cantor Matt Petrozelli

*’Twas in the moon of wintertime, when all the birds had fled,  
Great Spirit, Lord of all the earth sent angel choirs instead.*

*Before their light the stars grew dim and wandering hunters heard the hymn:*

*Refrain: Jesus, your king, is born; Jesus is born. In excelsis gloria.*

*Within a lodge of broken bark the tender babe was found.  
A ragged robe of rabbit skin enwrapped his beauty round.  
But as the hunters brave drew nigh the angel song rang loud and high:*

*Refrain: Jesus, your king, is born; Jesus is born. In excelsis gloria.*

*The earliest moon of wintertime is not so round and fair  
as was the ring of glory on the helpless infant there.  
The chiefs from far before him knelt with gifts of fox and beaver pelt.*

*Refrain: Jesus, your king, is born; Jesus is born. In excelsis gloria.*

*O children of the forest free, the angel song is true:  
the holy child of earth and heaven is born today for you.  
Come kneel before the radiant boy who brings you beauty, peace, and joy.*

*Refrain: Jesus, your king, is born; Jesus is born. In excelsis gloria.*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

*God of glory,  
you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world,  
to reveal your love for all people.  
We confess that our sin and pride  
hide the brightness of your light.  
We turn away from the poor;  
we ignore cries for justice;  
we do not strive for peace.  
In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin,  
and baptize us once again with your Spirit,  
that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory  
shining in the face of Jesus Christ.*

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Sung response:

“Gloria Patri”

Cantor Matt Petrozelli

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

**SCRIPTURE LESSONS:**

Prophets:

Isaiah 60:1-6

Gospel:

Matthew 2:1-12

**Response:**

One: This is the Word of God.

All: *Thanks be to God!*

**SERMON:**

“The Journey Over the Destination”

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**MUSICAL INTERLUDE:**

“Baptism Medley”

*Tamara Fackrell*

**CALL FOR OFFERING**

**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.*

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

“Joy Has Dawned”

*Keith Getty and Stuart Townend*

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**Participating in today's Worship and Fellowship are . . .**

Pastor:	Rev. Christopher W. Scrivens
Director of Family Ministries:	Deacon Melissa Ash
Music Director:	Matt Petrozelli
Organist:	Mary Elizabeth Rawley

Welcome to our virtual Worship service.

Scripture readings for next Sunday, January 17: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20) *and Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18*; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51



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