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**WORSHIP SERVICE**

10:30 am Traditional

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# First United Methodist Church

*Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.*

January 1, 2023 – 10:30 A.M.

Epiphany Sunday

*(\* Stand, if able.)*

## MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist

**\*OPENING HYMN** “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” (*vs. 1 – 4*)      UMH # 211  
(*Antiphon 1, Verse 1, Antiphon 2, Verse 2, Antiphon 3, Verse 3, Antiphon 4, Verse 4*)

**\*OPENING PRAYER** (In Unison)

Liturgist

**God of hope and light, your good news has been emblazoned across the skies, the great starry night of Jesus’ birth, sung by angels, celebrated by shepherds, witnessed by animals. God of hope and light, you have given to us a new chance, a reminder of your continual love for us. Be with us in this worship, we pray. Guide our thoughts, our lives, our spirits. Lord, open our hearts to receive your Spirit and your words, that we may find joy and peace. AMEN.**

**SHARING GREETINGS** (*Please greet someone that you do not know.*)

**\*CALL TO PRAYER HYMN** “Away in a Manger” (verses 1 – 3)      UMH # 217  
(*Interlude between verses 2 and 3*)

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

### PASTORAL PRAYER, BLESSING ON THE GIFTS & THE LORD’S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.”

## OFFERING OUR GIFTS

### OFFERTORY

“He Is Exalted”

Choir

**\*DOXOLOGY**

Gloria in Excelsis Deo, Gloria in Excelsis Deo

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Romans 1:12

Liturgist

“I am eager to encourage you in your faith, but I also want to be encouraged by your faith. In this way, each of us will be a blessing to the others.

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION**

“Do You Hear What I Hear?”

*See insert*

**MESSAGE**

“Many of God’s Blessings”

Pastor Yohan Baek

**Sermon Notes**

Note 1: Job 42:12

**“The Lord blessed Job in the second half of his life even more than in the first half.”**

Note 2: Psalm 31:19

“Lord, you have stored up great blessings **for those who honor you.**”

Note 3: Romans 1:12

“I am eager to encourage you in your faith, but I also want to be encouraged by your faith. In this way, **each of us will be a blessing to the others.**

Note 4: **Many of the Blessings of God are going to come through other people (relationships)!**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**Communion Prayer:**

**O Lord, who came and dwelled in a stable many years ago, come now and dwell in this bread and cup. Feed our souls on holy food. Lord, receive us here in our brokenness and need. Teach us new songs to sing and show us a new world to serve, when we have eaten and drunk. O Lord, let mystery rise among us like smoke from burning wicks. Speak to us through bread and cup and stir us to new devotion. For the sake of your holy name. Amen.**

**GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP**

**\*BENEDICTION**

Pastor Yohan Baek

**\*SENDING HYMN**

“Joy to the World” (vs. 1 and 4)

UMH # 246

**\*POSTLUDE**

“Hallelujah Chorus”

*UMH (The United Methodist Hymnal – red hymnal)*

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

Rev. Yohan Baek, Pastor

Tiffany Charles, Director of Children’s Ministry & Mother’s Day Out

Brian Gray, Liturgist

Jeeyoung Baek, Pianist

Julia Coward, Nursery Director & Children’s Church

Robert & Tenny Swonke, Greeters

Jim Curik and Glynn Tucker, Ushers

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**Our Mission Statement:**

We envision a church where people build a relationship  
with God and each other.

Relationships transform everything!