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## Epiphany Sunday

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January 6, 2013

Liturgist: Hannah Strebing

10:00 AM

\*Those who are able, please stand

***Through love to light! O wonderful the way that leads from darkness to the perfect day, from darkness and from sorrow of the night to morning that comes singing over the sea. Through love to light! Through light to God, to thee, who art the love of love, the eternal light of light!***

**"Through Love to Light!"**

**Jean Sibelius**

### **Our Church in Worship**

#### **Welcome and Friendship Folder**

#### **Joys and Concerns / Time of Greeting**

#### **We Welcome God's Sabbath with Praise**

#### **Prelude**

"The Three Kings"

Gordon Young

#### **Call to Worship**

Arise, shine; for our light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon us.

**The radiance of truth surrounds us. Boldly and confidently, we approach our God.**

#### **\*Hymn of Praise #66**

"We Three Kings of Orient Are"

Verse 1 & 5 and refrains: All

Verse 2, 3, 4: Solos

#### **\*Prayer of Confession**

**God of mercy, in humbleness of heart we confess we have too often wandered from your ways. Cause a new epiphany among us, we pray. Forgive us and transform us by your love. As by a star you led the magi to the worship of you Son, guide us by your light that we too may walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Hear our prayer....**

#### **\*Silent Prayers**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

God listens whenever we pray, comes near as we ask for forgiveness.

**Receiving forgiveness through Christ, we experience closeness with God. Our lives are blessed. Thanks be to God!**

**\*Response #63**

"As with Gladness Men of Old"

Verse 2

***As with joyful steps they sped to that lowly manger bed,  
There to bend the knee before Him whom heaven and earth adore;  
So may we with willing feet ever seek Thy mercy seat.***

**Prayer of Illumination**

**First Scripture Reading**

Isaiah 60: 1-6

This is the Word of God for the People of God

***Thanks be to God***

**Anthem**

"Brightest and Best"

Paul Sjoulund

**We Welcome God's Children with Joy**

**Time With Young Christians**

*A Litany of Acceptance*

Dear God, today as in every day of our lives, we have received another gift from you – a star to guide us through the coming year.

**We may not yet fully understand this gift, but we receive it with thanksgiving, and pray that your Spirit will help us to make it our very own. O Lord, teach us always to be open to receive heaven's best gifts. Amen.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**We Welcome God's Word with Hope**

**Second Scripture Reading**

Matthew 2: 1-12

This is the Word of God for the People of God

***Thanks be to God***

**Sermon**

"Playing Possum"

Nancy Howard

# We Welcome God's Spirit with Faith

## Prayers Of The People

### The Offering

Offertory

"Morning Star"

J.P.Harding

\*Response of Thanksgiving #63

"As with Gladness Men of Old"

Verse 3

*As they offered gifts most rare at the manger rude and bare;  
So may we with holy joy, pure, and free from sin's alloy  
All our costliest treasure bring, Christ, to thee, our heavenly king.*

\*Prayer of Dedication

### The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to God for God is good.

**God's love is everlasting.**

Eternal God, holy and mighty it is our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise,...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with people of faith from every time and place, we lift our hearts in joyful praise, for you alone are holy:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord....We thank you for your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**The Words of Institution**

**The Communion of the People**

(Each juice tray contains both wine [lighter in color] and grape juice.)

**Prayer after Communion**

**For this moment, this meal, these companions, we are thankful.**

**Having shared the Living Bread, we are changed people.**

**Illumine our hearts, O God, with the radiance of Christ's**

**presence, that our lives may show forth his love in this weary**

**world. Amen.**

**\*Sending Hymn #56**

“The First Nowell”  
Verses 1,3,5,6

**We Engage with God’s World with Love**

**\*Blessing**

God sends us on our way, a bold and confident people.  
Look for the star that will lead you day by day.

**What we have received, we pass on with joy.**

**We offer to all the unending riches of Christ.**

And God in Christ will meet your needs and give you voice.

**\*Benediction Response**

“God Be With You Till We Meet Again”

God be with you till we meet again;  
Loving Counsels guide, uphold you,  
With a Shepherd’s care enfold you;  
God be with you till we meet again.

**\*Postlude**

Trumpet Tune on ‘March of the Kings”

Gordon Young



## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 6, 2013

Today	Un-hanging of the Greens
Monday	7 PM Scout Meeting
Tuesday	7 PM Stewardship Commission
Wednesday	7:00 PM Chime Choir 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal Girl Scout Cookie Sales Meeting
Thursday	7:15 PM Session Meeting 7:30 PM Sarah Circle
Saturday	9:00 AM Men of Christ Lincoln Square



*The Sanctuary flowers are provided today by Ellen Gill in honor of December 23rd birthdays—Mike Gill (PaPaw) and Emma Gill's 9<sup>th</sup> birthday.*

### Please sign up in the Narthex

- To serve as liturgist on a Sunday of your choosing.
- Provide the sanctuary flowers to remember or honor someone
- Supply 'goodies' and set up / clean up Coffee Fellowship.
- To help with soundboard or video operations.



*Around the Church!*

## Prime Timers

Prime Timers will kick off the 2013 season with "Game Day" at CPC on Tuesday, January 15th at 11:30AM.

Lunch provided by the Wheelers.

Please note this is "weather permitting". Call Arlene Wheeler if you have questions.

OUR CHURCH'S  
**FINANCIAL HEALTH**

December 30, 2012:

**\$1,654**

2012 Year to Date:

**\$161,353**



**ATTENDANCE**

December 30, 2012

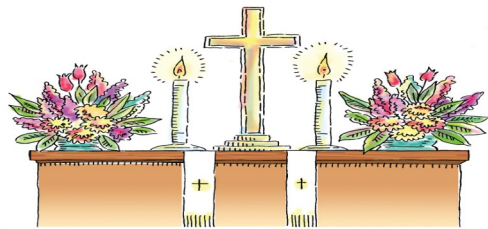
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Worship Schedule

**Sunday, January 13, 2013**

**Liturgist:** Bill Wheeler

**Ushers:** Mary Ann Shearrow, Clint Venable, Roy Levin, Deedree Schaedel

**Soundboard/Video:**

**Fellowship:**

**At Home:**  
 Kristen Byers



**In Hospital, Nursing Home & Assisted Living Centers:**

Myrtle Fields

@ Clearwater Commons

Martha King

@ Berkshire of Castleton, Indpls., IN

Clara Nicholson

@ Mill Run Assisted Living,  
 Columbus, OH



**BLESSINGS  
 ON YOUR  
 BIRTHDAY**

Hayley Edwards 1/9

J.D. Burney 1/10

Reagan Christie 1/19

Kelly DeSimone 2/2

Steven Cook 2/10

Bill Robbins 2/11

Harper Perez 2/12

Wayne Brodhecker 2/14

## Year End Reminders

- Your year-end giving statements are available in the Narthex.
- New envelopes for those that pledged or give regularly to the church are available in the Narthex.
- For those who are chairs of committees, commissions, Presbyterian Women, etc. — year end reports should be in the church office by January 15, 2013 so that the Annual Report can be prepared.

## Christmas Cards

Reminder to pick up your Christmas cards from your "mailbox" in the hallway leading to the multi-purpose room.



## 2012 Offering Envelopes

If you made a pledge, or requested envelopes as a "regular contributor" — they are now available in the Narthex.

If you would like the convenience of weekly envelopes, please see Beth King, Bill Schofield or Brian King.



**To Jamie Strebing and her helpers for decorating and un-decorating of the sanctuary and the rest of the church!**

## Ordination and Installation of 2013 Deacons and Elders to be held NEXT

**Sunday, January 13**

### Deacons

Shirley Cook  
Margie Gilliland  
Michelle Grelle

### Elders

Miki Bean  
Roy Levin  
Ron Fleshood  
Mary Ann Shearrow

## Per Capita for 2013

The annual CPC per capita payment covers basic operational expenses of the denomination. The amount is based on the number of members in the congregation.

**For 2013, the figure per member is \$35.60.** Payment to PC USA for \$4,022.80 will be made on January 31st.

A special envelope for the per capita payment is included with the weekly offering envelopes. If you do not use envelopes, please indicate on your check that the payment is for the per capita.