

Welcome to Worship on this Day of the Epiphany of the Lord. Known in some places as “Three Kings Day,” Epiphany celebrates the revelation (or the unveiling) of God in the human person of Jesus the Christ, particularly the revelation to the Gentiles, seen in the arrival of the Magi (or Wise Men) from the East.

If you are here today for the first or second time, we hope you feel welcome as a guest of this community of faith. Faith in Jesus Christ is the mark of a Christian and a disciple of Christ, and is therefore the only requirement for membership in this church. Please prayerfully consider joining this family of faith! Please talk with our pastor, and learn more by visiting us at www.cwupc.org and www.pcusa.org and on Facebook: Carter-Westminster United Presbyterian Church.

Today we again welcome our friend the Rev. Jane Tuma. A graduate of McCormick Theological Seminary as well as the Lutheran School of Theology, Jane served as Pastor of Morgan Park Presbyterian Church. Jane is one of our Commission on Ministry Liaisons from Chicago Presbytery. Please give Jane a warm welcome and thank her for preaching for us today.

Assisting us in worship today are Pat and George Radosavljevic, Afua Akompong, and the Chancel Choir.

Pastor Ken is on vacation this week, and will be back to work on Thursday, January 10th.

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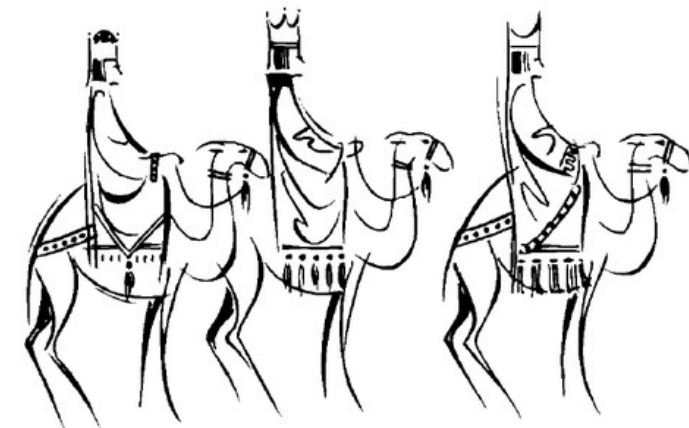
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**Carter - Westminster United
Presbyterian Church**

*Gathered for Worship
on the Day of Epiphany*

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 AM



January 6, 2019

The Epiphany of the Lord

Gathering in God's Name

Gathering of the People

Prelude “Pastorale” J.S. Bach

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

One: The Lord be with you. All: And also with you.

Call to Worship

We have seen a star in the East!
God is with us. Light has come!

We have heard the songs of the angels.
God is with us. Love has come!

Now we follow the light into the world.
God is with us. Christ has come!

*Hymn (*See insert*) "In the Bleak Mid-Winter" CRANHAM

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

**God our Savior, we confess that we fail to live in your light.
You have searched for us,
and yet we hide from you.
You have lavished us with blessing,
and yet we treasure earthly things.**

**Forgive us, God of grace.
Let the mystery of your saving love be revealed,
even in our lives, according to your eternal purpose;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Words of Forgiveness

One: ...Sisters and brothers, believe this good news.
All: **In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen**

*Act of Praise (*On screen*) "Glory to God"
**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.**

*The Peace
One: ... The peace of Christ be with you. All: **And also with you.**
(*Please share the peace of Christ with one another.*)

Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Isaiah 6:1-6 (p. 635)
The Word of the Lord - **Thanks be to God**

Offering of Music "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen"

Second Lesson: Matthew 12:1-12 (p. 12)

The Word of the Lord - **Thanks be to God**

Time with Young Disciples

(*Children are invited to come to the chancel steps, and then go to child care.*)

*Hymn # 288 "We Three Kings" KINGS OF ORIENT

Sermon "Following the Light" Rev. Jane Tuma

Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles' Creed (*On screen*)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Thanksgiving

Offering

Offertory "A Communion Hymn for Christmas" Clarkson/Fettke

*Doxology # 815 "Praise God" OLD HUNDREDTH

Celebration of The Lord's Supper (*See insert*)

Sending

*Hymn # 290 "As With Gladness Men of Old" DIX

*Invitation to Discipleship

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude "Fugue in C Major" Dietrich Buxtehude
(*You are invited to remain seated for the Postlude.*)

*Going Forth
(*Please join one another for coffee hour downstairs - follow the crowd*)

**Please rise in body and/or in spirit!*