

January 4, 2025

From the Pastor

Yes, there is a winter storm headed our way, AND we will worship tomorrow at 10am. The bulk of the storm will move in later in the afternoon. It's also going to be wicked cold, so take care of you and yours! Remember, we seek to be good stewards of public health. We are anticipating that the office will be closed on Monday while Lori & I work at home. Siblings, make good choices.

Epiphany is January 6th, but we are celebrating this Sunday. Epiphany is the 12th day of Christmas and marks the end of the Christmas season. Epiphany means "*a sudden, intuitive perception of or insight into the reality or essential meaning of something, usually initiated by some simple, homely, or commonplace occurrence or experience.*" The Christian observance celebrates the magis' arrival to the Christ child, and the revelation of Godself in human flesh.

The story is recounted in Matthew 2:1-12. Our Hispanic siblings celebrate the day in grand style as the Day of the Kings. Our celebration won't be quite that grand, but I invite you to wear something sparkly to channel the star. Bring an open heart and spirit as we will receive our "star words" for 2024. If you won't be physically present in worship on Sunday an wish to receive a star word, [email me](#).

Click [here](#) for the worship bulletin. Worship is streamed on the [UPC website](#) and [YouTube](#) channel.

Peace, Pastor Lisa



Mark your calendar!
These free concerts are fabulous for children of all ages.

**Do you love children?
Do you love Jesus?**

Combine those loves and sign up to teach Sunday School!

Our K-5th graders meet at 9:15am on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. We use a fabulous curriculum from Illustrated Ministry that does not require a lot of preparation. All the supplies and snacks are provided. Click [here](#) for the SignUp Genius to grab your Sunday with our incredible kiddos.

Schedule for This Week

Epiphany Sunday
Sunday, January 5th
10am Worship w/ communion
De-decorating

3pm Resplendor de Gloria

Monday, January 6th
Probably a snow day
9am Yoga

Tuesday, January 7th
5:30pm Welcoming Ministry
6:30pm Cub Scouts
Joint Session & Deacons mtg

Wednesday, January 8th
6:30pm Choir Practice
8pm AA

Thursday, January 9th
7pm Resplendor de Gloria

Saturday, January 11th
10:30am PB&J Concert

Baptism of the Lord
Sunday, January 12th
9:15am K-5th Sunday School
10am Worship

3pm Resplendor de Gloria



BIRTHDAYS

1/7 - Koben Beasley
1/8 - Dan Kiefer
1/11 - Neil Fairweather
1/12 - George Kiefer
1/15 - Dylan Fairweather
1/17 - Richard Adams
1/22 - Richard Sloan
1/26 - Iris Daniel
1/27 - Michael Frost,
Ray Merkel
1/30 - Nancy Shupe
1/31 - Drew Scott



ANNIVERSARIES

1/17 - Richard & Cherie
Adams



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