

Good Morning Church!

**NORTH BEND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Sunday, January 2, 2022

*Because God is worthy we worship*

*\*indicates to stand, if able*

**GATHERING AND WELCOME**

**Prelude**

**Announcements**

**Bible Study:** The Tuesday morning bible study resumes January 11 when they will pick back up with chapter 12 of Revelation.

*(Are there any other Announcements?)*

## COME BEFORE THE LORD

### **\*Call to Worship<sup>1</sup>**

Leader: Arise, shine, for your light has come!

**People: The glory of the Lord has risen upon us!**

Leader: Like sages from afar, come and behold your Christ!

**People: Let us fall on our knees in his honor! Let us lift our voices in praise of his name!**

### **\*Singing**

*We Three Kings*

UMH #254 (v. 1, 5)

**1. We three kings of Orient are;  
bearing gifts we traverse afar,  
field and fountain, moor and mountain,  
following yonder star.**

*Refrain*

**O star of wonder, star of light,  
star with royal beauty bright,  
westward leading, still proceeding,  
guide us to thy perfect light.**

**5. Glorious now behold him arise;  
King and God and sacrifice:**

**Alleluia, Alleluia,**

**sounds through the earth and skies.**

*Refrain*

**O star of wonder, star of light,  
star with royal beauty bright,  
westward leading, still proceeding,  
guide us to thy perfect light.**

**PRAY UNTO THE LORD**

**\*Praying Together<sup>2</sup>**

**Everlasting God, the radiance of faithful souls, you brought  
the nations to your light and kings to the brightness of your  
rising. Fill the world with your glory, and show yourself to all  
the nations; through him who is the true light and the bright  
and morning star, even Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen.**

**Joys & Concerns**

**Silent & Pastoral Prayer**

*(Lord's Prayer during Communion)*

**HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD**

**Anthem**

**Reading the Scripture**

John 1:4-5 (NIV)

1:4 In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.

5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**Proclaiming the Gospel**

*The Light of All Mankind*

**CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT**

**Confession and Pardon**

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**Merciful God,**

**we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.**

**We have failed to be an obedient church.**

**We have not done your will,**

**we have broken your law,**

**we have rebelled against your love,**

**we have not loved our neighbors,**

**and we have not heard the cry of the needy.**

**Forgive us, we pray.**

**Free us for joyful obedience,**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*(All pray in silent confession)*

*Leader to people:*

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;  
that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

*People to leader:*

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

*Everyone:*

**Glory to God. Amen.**

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

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Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**A: We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**A: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere  
to give thanks to you, Father Almighty creator of heaven and  
earth.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**A: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

P: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

“Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:

“Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**A: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

P: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

**A: Amen.**

P: And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

**A: 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.**

**Breaking the Bread**

**Giving the Bread and Cup**

**After Communion Prayer**

**RESPOND IN THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD**

**\*Singing**

*This Is a Day of New Beginnings*

UMH # 383

(verses 1, 5)

**1. This is a day of new beginnings,  
time to remember and move on,**



**time to believe what love is bringing,  
laying to rest the pain that's gone.**

**5. In faith we'll gather round the table  
to taste and share what love can do.**

**This is a day of new beginnings;  
our God is making all things new.**

**GO IN THE GRACE OF THE LORD**

**\*Receiving the Blessing**

**Postlude**

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<sup>2</sup> *"The United Methodist Book of Worship, 297", Copyright © 1992 The United Methodist Publishing House.*