

St. Paul's United Church

January 5, 2020 – 2nd Sunday of Christmas/Epiphany Sunday

Mission Statement: To glorify God through Worship, proclaiming the Gospel of Christ and serving others in Christ's name.

Portions of the service printed in **bold** are spoken by the whole congregation. At the points marked * - those who are able are invited to stand.

Say among the nations, "The Lord is king! The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved. He will judge the peoples with equity." Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it.

– Psalm 96: 11-12a

THE PEOPLE GATHER

Prelude:

Greeting (Responsive):

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

* Lighting of Christ Candle

* **Introit:** Hope Shines Like A Solitary Star MV 220

Welcome & Announcements

***Gathering Hymn:** The Virgin Mary had a Baby Boy VU 73

* Call to Worship (Responsive):

A boy had been born for us;

A child has been given to us;

A star shines brightly in the East,

**Discovered by those who have eyes to see
the unusual and the challenging.**

A journey into unknown territory made,

taken by those who have courage and curiosity.

The Holy One recognized, in spite of humble origin,

the glory and the gifts given, to God's Chosen Child.

Let us worship God!

We come to worship the Christ Child!

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Thurs.: 12-2 pm

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Responsive

office Hours

Eric Hotte

11:30-1:30

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Day off

Rev. Richard

On Sabbatical

until February

1st 2020

The Reverends hours are subject to change due to Emergency Pastoral Care, meetings and other church business.

Upcoming Weekly Activities

Monday-Friday	8:30 am-4 pm	Adult Learning Association
	8-5:30 p.m.	English Second Language
	11:30-1 pm	AA -Downstairs Lounge
Tuesday	7-9:30	Choral Society
	7-9:30	River Valley Choir
Tuesday & Thursday	12-1 pm	Exercise Group - Gym
Tuesday & Thursday	1-4 pm	Quilting - Quilter's Parlour
Mon., Tues. & Sat.	7-9 pm	AA - Downstairs Lounge
Mon-Thurs	6:30-8 pm	Tae kwon do
Wednesday	9-11am	Pantry
Thursday	7-8:30	Choir Practice
Saturday	10 am-noon	Tae kwon do
Sunday	9:15 am	Bible Study - Conference Room

Services & Activities Continued

Broadview (Observer) Subscriptions if you would like your subscription renewed or start one for 2020 please come see Eric in the office. Thank you

St Paul's Yarn Ministry meets on the third Wednesday of each month. Please let Jen Petryshen know if you would like to attend.

Today in Sunday School: Jesus Leads the Community. Verse of the Month: "So they went out and proclaimed that people should change their hearts and lives" (Mark 6:12) **Bible Story:** Mark 19-11 Jesus is Baptized : When Jesus came out of the water, after being baptized by his cousin John, the heavens opened and the Holy Spirit came down in the form of a dove. Then a voice from heaven said, "You are my Son. I love you. You make me happy."

Our Awesome **Pantry Team** has the current need for coffee, can meat, cheeze whiz, pasta sauce, house hold cleaner, large juice, tomatoes, and soda crackers. Thank you very much

Money counters/Tellers needed. Training provided previous money handling experience is an asset, please let Eric in the office know thank you very much.

Upcoming Church Meetings:

Board Meeting	January 14th 6:30pm—conference room
Christian Education	January 16th 12pm –Mary Staples home
Worship	January 19th After coffee—quilter parlor

Prayers of the people and Lord's Prayer

SENDING FORTH

* **Closing Hymn:** I am the Light of the World VU 87

* **Commissioning (Responsive):**

Follow the light of hope's guiding star.

Seek the child.

Listen to the words of a heavenly host.

Find the child.

Offer as gifts the best that you have.

Serve the child.

For he is the light of the world, our hope and salvation.

* **Benediction**

* **Choral Closing:** I am Walking MV 221

I am walking the path of peace,

I am walking the path of peace,

I am walking the path of peace,

Lead me home, lead me home.

Postlude

Serving St. Paul's Today

Greeters: Harold and Ann Raper

Collectors Upstairs: Susan and Graeme Spencer

Downstairs: Left Side: Larry Buick and Roger Miller

Middle: Isabel Green

Right Side: Tammy Coughlan and Dean Jones

Reader: Chris Grant

Coffee Hour (January 12th): Board

Services & Activities

2020 Church Year: Planning for success. We are inviting everyone to a potluck and planning session where we hope to map out the major events for this coming year. We hope you will join us next week after service (January 12)

Opening Prayer

Story Time Verse: Will you Come and see the Light vs1 VU 96

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Prayer of Illumination (Unison):

God of light, you have revealed your very self to us in your son Jesus Christ, your word made flesh, who lived among us, full of grace and truth. Open us to your revelation once again, that in the words of your holy scripture we might know your presence and follow in your light always. Amen.

Today's Scripture: Matthew:2:1-12 Chris Grant

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem: Wisemen Noble, Wisemen Three

Message: Saviour for all

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* **Hymn:** The First Nowell VU 91

* **Invitation to the Offering**

Though we do not bear gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh,

Just as the Magi approached the child Jesus,

we, follow a star of hope,

we, come with awe and wonder,

we, bring gifts the gifts we have —

ourselves, our time, and our commitment.

Receive now the gifts we offer

for your story continues and we are part of it!

Offertory

* **Dedication Verse:** In the Bleak Midwinter (vs4) VU 55

What can I give him, poor as I am?

If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;

if I were a wise man, I would do my part;

yet what I can I give him - give my heart.

* **Prayer of Dedication**