



First Congregational

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Epiphany Sunday

January 7, 2024



Worship Leader

Greg Holt

Mini Message & Special Music

Kay Leary

Director of Music

Luke Overton

Guest Preacher

Rev. Amy Wiles

Guest Organist

Anne Hoekstra

Organist

Hudson Lourenço-Feld

Office Manager

Michelle Wolfe

Custodian

Kyle Lindaman

*No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here.*

Prelude	<i>O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright</i> - Charles Ore	Anne Hoekstra
Welcome and Announcements		Greg Holt
*Call to Worship		Greg Holt
Leader:	O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:	
All:	The Magi who study the heavens follow a guiding star!	
Leader:	O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:	
All:	The peoples who live in the shadows see a glorious light!	
Leader:	O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:	
All:	The Christ who embodies the Word unveils the hidden plan, making us joint heirs of the promise of salvation through the gospel!	
Leader:	O come, let us worship the Lord	
All:	for God has done wondrous things!	
*Opening Hymn	<i>Brightest and Best</i>	#157 (NCH - Black)
*Prayer of Invocation		Greg Holt
Joys & Concerns		Greg Holt
Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer		Greg Holt
	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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.	
Mini-Message		Kay Leary
Scripture Reading	Matthew 2:1-12	Greg Holt
Special Music	Go Tell It On the Mountain	Kay Leary
Sermon	<i>"Looking for Jesus"</i>	Rev. Amy Wiles
Invitation to Offertory		Greg Holt
Offertory	<i>Dearest Jesus, We are Here</i> - Johann Walther	Anne Hoekstra
*Doxology		#515 (Pilgrim - Red)
*Prayer of Dedication		Greg Holt

***Hymn**

Who Would Think That What Was Needed

#153 (NCH - Black)

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Breaking of the Bread and Communion of the People

Please come forward for the table is ready.

The Communion Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

WE DEPART TO SERVE THE LORD

***Hymn**

As with Gladness Those of Old

#159 (NCH - Black)

***Benediction**

Rev. Wiles

Postlude

Noel Provençal - Alexandre Guilmant

Anne Hoekstra

* You are invited to Stand

Sunday School for students up to 6th grade is provided after the Mini-Message.

We welcome your child(ren) to follow our Sunday School leaders to the youth director's office at the conclusion of the Mini-Message.