

10:00am  
Traditional Worship  
Sanctuary

  
HENNEPIN  
AVENUE UMC

January 6, 2018

Epiphany Sunday

Where + is indicated, standing or sitting, we praise God.  
You are invited to read aloud the bold text.

## We Gather to Worship God

PRELUDE

*Sinfonias from cantatas 106 & 156*

J. S. Bach

Andrew Hackett, organ

+CALL TO WORSHIP

There is prayer in the air.

**Sometimes it is a cry, sometimes it is a moan.**

The earth rocks as the creatures walk upon it.

**Sometimes it is a charge, sometimes it is a march.**

A sister looks out for her sister and a brother plays keeper to his brother.

**Sometimes it is constant, sometimes it is an epiphany.**

+ HYMN NO. 173

*Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*

RATISBON

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Frenchye Magee

**O Spirit of Truth, you forever call out to us, walking at a pace we can handle and always inviting us to pick up the pace. We are thankful you never lose sight of us. Hear our confession that we want to never lose our capacity to love those around us. Hear our confession that we lose sight of others easily. May we see others as you see them. May we act accordingly. May we dismantle hate and do so in your name. Hear now our silent confession...**

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

**BUILDING  
BRIDGES,  
DISMANTLING  
RACISM**

Racism, White  
Privilege and the  
Bridge to a New  
America

**BUILDING BRIDGES,  
DISMANTLING RACISM**



A six-week sermon series beginning Jan 6 based on the book *America's Original Sin* by Jim Wallis

**Jan 6 Epiphany Sunday**  
*America's Original Sin, Embedded Racism*  
Isaiah 58:1-14  
Rev. Nate Melcher

**Jan 13 Jim Wallis Guest Preaching**  
*The Idolatry of Whiteness*  
Matthew 25:31-46

**Jan 20 Sabbath to End Homelessness**  
*Repentance and the Beloved Community*  
Ezekiel 18:26-32; Matthew 3:1-12; Acts 2:1-47; Galatians 3:23-29  
Rev. Judy Zabel

**Jan 27 From Warriors to Guardians: Reforming the Criminal Justice System**  
Amos 5:6-24  
Rev. Nate Melcher

**Feb 3 Welcoming the Stranger: Immigration**  
Deuteronomy 10:12-22; Luke 10: 25-37; Hebrews 13:1-3  
Rev. Frenchye Magee

ANTHEM

*Epiphany Alleluias*  
Sanctuary Choir

John Weaver

*Alleluia! We have seen his star in the East,  
And are come to worship him.  
Arise, shine, for thy light is come  
And the glory of the Lord is ris'n upon thee. Alleluia!*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Nate Melcher

Children are invited forward for the Time with Children.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Lynne Carroll

+ SHARING THE PEACE

May the peace of God be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Please greet each other by name and with a sign of reconciliation and peace.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

**Child of God, we give thanks for all that God is doing in you and we welcome you in Christian love. You are a new creation and a member of the Body of Christ. Thanks be to God!**

Warren Augutus Gebauer, son of Lindsay Grome and Johann Gebauer

+ HYMN No. 611

*Child of Blessing, Child of Promise*  
verses 1, 4

STUTT GART

## We Hear the Word

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 58:1-14 (*The Message*)

The Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*The Table Is Set, All Are Invited*

Rev. Nate Melcher



# We Respond to the Word

GIVING OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS & OURSELVES

Rev. Frenchye Magee

MUSICAL OFFERING

*For Everyone Born*  
Sanctuary Choir; Anna Clift, Cello

arr. Tom Trenney

*For everyone born, a place at the table,  
For everyone born, clean water and bread,  
A shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,  
For everyone born, a star overhead.*

*And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace:  
Yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!*

*For woman and man, a place at the table,  
Revising the roles, deciding the share,  
With wisdom and grace, dividing the power, a system that's fair,*

*And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace:  
Yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!*

*For young and for old, a place at the table,  
A voice to be heard, a part in the song.  
The hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled, for young and for old,  
The right to belong.*

*And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace:  
Yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!*

*For everyone born, a place at the table,  
To live without fear, and simply to be,  
To work, to speak out, to witness and worship,  
For everyone born, the right to be free!*

*And God will delight when we are creators of justice and Joy, compassion and peace:  
Yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!*

+ PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS & DOXOLOGY

## In Our Prayers This Week

### Births

Kai Tune (grandson of Tony Lawrence & Jean Anderson)

### Hospice

Doug Jeranson

### In Hospital

Kai Tune

### Care Center

LaVonne Grover

### Prayer Requests

E. Sharon Hayenga

Kate Lewis

Michelle and Debbie Malouf

Bob Beach

Paul and Elizabeth Steiner (death of Paul's mother, Linda

Angie Manbeck (death of her father, Paul Swedberg)

Meg McChesney

### Prayer for Our Koinonia Guest

New Year's at Koinonia Retreat

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Our Superheroes of Faith

### Prayers for Our World

A just and compassionate response to asylum seekers, especially women and children  
Local, state and national leaders  
First responders and their families  
U.S. military active duty and military families

All who are homeless, especially those in the Hiawatha encampment

World leaders and the international peace process  
The country and people of Yemen  
The country and people of Syria

### Prayers for Our Church

You are invited to pray from 2:23-2:26 pm each day for the 864 delegates and 200 alternates who will attend the 2019 General Conference, and for the mission, ministry, and unity of the United Methodist Church as we discern the way forward.



### Clergy

Frenchye Magee, Associate Pastor of  
Congregational Care &  
Invitational Discipleship  
Nate Melcher, Associate Pastor of  
Faith Development  
Judy Zabel, Senior Pastor  
Jim McChesney, Pastoral Care/Visitation

### Twin Cities District Superintendent

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Bruce R. Ough

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## SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

HYMN NO. 247 *O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright* WIE SCHÖN  
LEUCHTET DER MORGENSTERN

HYMN NO. 257 *We Meet You, O Christ* STANLEY BEACH

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT

## We Take the Word Into the World

The Acolytes lead us in carrying the light of Christ into the world.

+ HYMN NO. 679 *O Splendor of God's Glory Bright* WAREHAM

+ BENEDICTION

+ POSTLUDE *Fuga alla giga, BWV 577* J. S. Bach  
Andrew Hackett, Organ