



United Methodist Church of Antioch

Epiphany Sunday

January 5, 2025

PRELUDE

We Three Kings

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sun, Jan. 5 Worship 8am & 10:30am
AA 8-9pm/White Rm 102
- Mon, Jan. 6 Quilters 9am-12pm
AA 8-9pm/White Rm 102
- Tues, Jan. 7 Private Group 9:30am-12pm/White Rm 102
Bible Study 4pm
AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102
- Wed, Jan. 8 AA 7-8pm & 8-9pm/White Rm 102
- Thurs, Jan. 9 AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102
- Fri, Jan. 10 AA 6:30-7:30pm/White Rm 102
- Sat, Jan. 11 AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102
- Sun, Jan. 12 Worship 8am & 10:30am
Choir/Sunday School 9:15am
Confirmation Class 3-4pm/Wesley Hall
AA 8-9pm/White Rm 102

~Please note, the worship service is recorded and streamed to the internet, and there are large print bulletins, hymnals, and Bibles available. See an usher if you would like one. Additionally, there are handicap accessible restrooms located in Wesley Hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-The Missions Committee is starting their New Year of Giving. Please grab a month-long Open Arms calendar donation list in Wesley Hall. Bring in donations weekly or at the end of the month.

-2025 Prairie Central Leadership Training is coming January 18th to Grace UMC in Naperville, IL! It is \$15 per person (includes lunch), or total of \$60 per Church (4+ people). There are a wide variety of classes, and you have the opportunity to take 3. For more information, the list of classes, or to register visit: <https://www.umcnic.org/calendar/prairie-central-leadership-training-2025>

-Downers Grove First UMC is hosting a Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration on Sunday, January 19th at 3pm. There will be a worship service, music, food, and Rev. Danita R. Anderson, Assistant to the Bishop, is guest speaking! For more info and to register visit: <https://www.umcnic.org/calendar/nic-mlk-celebration-2025>

-Worship Leaders are needed! We need one more coffee server on February 23rd for the 10:30am service. Please contact Dawn Vogel (847-395-2758) if you can help!

MISSION STATEMENT (Unison)

The mission of the United Methodist Church of Antioch is to grow in faith; to worship God following the teachings of Jesus Christ, and to be instruments of God's love through the Holy Spirit as we reach out to our community and the world.

**Invites you to stand as you are able or to sit with gusto!*

***WE ARE WELCOMED TO WORSHIP (Responsively)**

L: Most of us have put away our Christmas decorations, but Christmas isn't over!

P: All those Magi in our Nativity scenes haven't even arrived on the scene, yet.

L: Scholars estimate that they traveled for years to reach the toddler Jesus, bringing him priceless gifts from a foreign land.

P: A caravan of travelers must have been a sight to behold. The sign in the sky told them to go.

L: No matter the obstacle, they wouldn't let anything or anyone stand between them and Jesus.

P: We won't let anything stand in the way of our worshiping Jesus.

***HYMN Red Hymnal #254**

We Three Kings

***OPENING PRAYER (Unison)**

Lord God, you sent Jesus to earth to know what this experience was like. Jesus came to those who would know him, who would recognize the signs. And then, you called the Magi to come and see, as well. Those who were beyond the community were invited in to learn and worship, as well. The community of those who love God grew and grew. Help us to focus our hearts so that nothing distracts us from our purpose of loving you. This we ask in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN Red Hymnal #219

What Child Is This?

WE ASK FOR UNDERSTANDING (Unison)

Holy Child, the One for whom we have been preparing, we celebrate your arrival. We ask you to guide our thinking, our praying, and our hoping. Focus our eyes and ears in these moments as we hear your Scriptures read and interpreted so that we might have a greater understanding. May our time together with you help us all to be more prepared for your coming. Amen.

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS – Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.” When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.’” Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.”

When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On

entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

L: The word of God for the people of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

REFLECTION

Why We Wait

Rev. Katie Voigt

SPECIAL MUSIC

May My Light Shine

Nicole Heyl, vocal solo

Paul Bleadow and Tanja Edwards, handbell
accompaniment (10:30 service)

MORNING PRAYERS

Joys/Concerns

Confession & Pardon

(Unison): Most 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.

(Pastor): 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!

(Unison): In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

***THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)**

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.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION *See Booklet*

Hymns Sung During Receiving

#2095 *Star Child*

#2098 *The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy*

#249 *There's a Song in the Air*

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING *See Booklet*

OFFERTORY

Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light/Shine Jesus Shine

***DOXOLOGY #95**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***WE DEDICATE OUR GIFTS TO GOD (Unison)**

King of Kings and Lord of Lords, today we are one of the Magi who come bearing gifts. We give our gifts in honor of Jesus Christ who came to earth to change lives. Please use what we add to the gold, frankincense, and myrrh to help us continue to tell the stories of life-

changing redemption. In the name of the One who changes everything, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN Red Hymnal #245** *The First Noel*

***WE GO FORTH WITH BLESSING (Responsively)**

L: Even when it feels like we are sick of Christmas, or it should be over,

P: we will wait to finish our celebrations until everyone has arrived.

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

P: And also with you. Amen.

***POSTLUDE** *Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

Red indicates “The United Methodist Hymnal”

Black indicates “The Faith We Sing”

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Worship Attendance/Giving for Sunday

December 29, 2024

9:15am- 58

General Fund: \$1,511

Missions: \$14.73

Building: \$30

Memorial: \$210

UMCAP: \$30

UVC: \$70

UMCOR: \$200

Christmas Giving: \$270

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

January 5

January 12

Greeters

8:00am	Shelby Wais	Vicki Walker
10:30am	Nancy Rae	Sally Rodgers

Ushers

8:00am	Wayne Buck	Dawn Vogel
10:30am	Tom Kessell	Jerry Topcik

Soundboard

8:00am	Denny Sathoff	Walt Cichonski
10:30am	Mike Lapke	Phil Georgia

Liturgists

8:00am	Leta Sathoff	Mike DeBenedetto
10:30am	Nikki Georgia	Judy Tetour

Coffee Servers

8:00am	Dave & Dawn Vogel	Jane Buck Barb Cantrell
10:30am	Ardy Lange Cheryl Collins Sathoff Family	Chris Hofius-Krampe Karen Heinsohn Mike DeBenedetto

Openers

Prayer Card

8:00am	(Needed)	(Needed)
10:30am	Rebecca Reckamp	Ardy Lange

Communion

Stewards

8:00am	Linda Hensgen Nancy Colby	-----
10:30am	Nancy Rae Lisa Shannon	

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Please Note:

Deadline for the Newsletter is the 15th of each month-for the FOLLOWING month Send info in Word doc or body of email to editorumca@gmail.com

Next deadline is January 15th for the February newsletter.

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.