

## GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

### **Announcements ~**

### **Gathering Song ~**

Will you come and see the light from the stable door?  
It is shining newly bright, though it shone before.  
It will be your guiding star,  
It will show you who you are;  
Will you hide, or decide to meet the light?

**VU#96 vs. 1**

### **Call to Worship:**

Leader: Arise! Shine!

**Congregation: God's light has come to reveal The Way in this New Year.**

Leader: Arise! Shine!

**Congregation: The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.**

Leader: Arise! Shine!

**Congregation: God's light penetrates the darkness that covers the world.**

Leader: Arise! Shine!

**Congregation: Nations shall come to God's light and kings to the brightness of God's dawn. ALL: Arise! Shine! For the Glory of the Lord has risen upon us.**

**Singing: *Great God, We Sing that Mighty Hand* VU#529**

### **Prayer of Approach:**

God of all nations, peoples and cultures, this is the day You have made bright with Your light and Your love destined for all. Guide us in the new ways of Your Son. Let your kindly light shine everywhere, that all peoples may praise You in their own language and enrich Your Church with their own gifts. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior forever, as He taught us to pray...

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, the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

### **Anthem ~**

### **Children's Time**

**Singing: *The First Nowell* VU#91**

## WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

**Scripture Readings:** Isaiah 60: 1-6 p. 602;  
Matthew 2: 1-12 p. 783

### **Reflections ~**

**Singing: *A Light Is Gleaming* VU#82**

## WE RESPOND IN FAITHFULNESS

### **Presentation of Ourselves and Gifts to God**

**Doxology** So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh,  
Come one and all to own Him;  
The King of Kings, salvation brings,  
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.  
This, this is Christ the King  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing  
Joy, joy, for Christ is born  
The Babe, the Son of Mary (**VU#74**)

**Offertory Prayer** ~ Our Father, as the wise men not only bowed down before the Christ Child, but also brought gifts worthy of their station in life, so may we offer both our spiritual worship and our material gifts. Amen

**We come to prayer singing: *O God of Bethel* VU#650**

### **We bring our prayers to God**

**Singing: *I Am the Light of the World* VU#87**

### **Benediction**

*We extend the hand of Christian Fellowship to our visitors & ask you to sign the visitors' book. We hope you'll return next Sunday. You are invited to Memorial Hall for coffee & conversation. Serving you this morning is the Choir.*



*Perseverance is the hard work you do after you get tired of the hard work you already did.*  
--Newt Gingrich

*If you think you're too small to be effective, you've never been in bed with a mosquito. (Phil Callaway)*

**Please Pray For:** The family of Neebin Armstrong, Arthur Allan, Antoine, Pat Ashworth, Shelley Baumann, Barbara Batten, Bernice, Brigitta Blersch, Greg Blersch, Robin Blersch, Bonnie, Esther Bohlein, Larry Brazier, Leah & Chris, Liam Broomer, Carol, Caroly, Rick Cessford, Laura Cuthbertson, Dianah, Milt Dodds, Carol Epps, Mary-Alice Epps, Ron Epps, Larry Falcon, Gail, Linda Gallant, Dan Gingras, Gladys, Colette Humphries, Schofield Jackson, Jennifer, Fern Lafontaine, Lance & family, Roger Laplante, Jemma Mahabir, Clarence Mahaney, Carrie Marchand, Marcelle, Marisa, Laura McLean, Mile, Michael, Cheryl Miller, Sharon Miller, Jamie Moreau, Sandra Murphy, Don Nielsen, Ib Nielsen, Paige, Harley Parkinson, Patrick, Julie Patterson, Sarah Puskas, Ella-Mae Ramsey, Bruce Rathwell, Cheryl Rogers, Bruce Ryan, Eileen & Donald Sim, Heather Sim, Reynold Skeete, Dylan Stanamir, Madeline Stevens, John Taylor, Jan Verschoote, Margaret Whittal, Joanne Wilken, John Wiwcharyk, Shirley Yarnell, Sarah Zimmerman.

### Announcements

- Rev. Alice will be on study leave from Jan. 7 – Jan. 14. In an emergency, please contact the church office or your church session member.
- An **Official Board meeting is being called for Monday, February 4 at 7:00 pm.** The purpose is to preview the proposed 2019 Budget, to hear from the Nominating Committee and from Ministry and Personnel Committee.
- **We have 3 church calendars left -- \$8 each.** If you would like to buy one of these lovely calendars, please see Sandra in the office.

### Reminders

- Our food pantry is depleted. We would need peanut butter, canned meat, tuna, veggies & juice. We have enough soup for now. Thank you for your generosity.

### THE WEEK AHEAD

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Badminton</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8:30 pm</b>	<b>Volleyball</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Badminton</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:00 pm</b>	<b>AA Meeting</b>

#### *What kids say about the Wise Men...*

Rashneet, six: "The wise men brought coconut oil which was made of coconut, some sweets and some gold."

Dominic, six: "I don't know what the three wise men brought Jesus but I would have given him a tin of biscuits. I think Mary, Joseph and Jesus would have all liked a biscuit."

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# ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

*186<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year ~ 1833-2019*

*~WORSHIP~*

**January 6, 2019 ~ 10:30 am**



**Minister: Rev. K. Alice McAlpine**

**Director of Music Ministry: Doreen Gilbert Bangs**

*To greet you ~*

**Elder: Les Sorg**

**Stewards: Joanne Goodfellow & Keith Motton**