

# THOSE WHO *persevere* DREAM *Epiphany*

## Martin United Methodist Church Service of Worship

*bold, bold italic are spoken/sung in unison*

January 3, 2021

11:00 a.m.

**Welcome**

Rev. Lara Franklin

**Prelude**

Rudimar Bonamigo

## Call to Worship

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One: The Magi had a dream.

**All: They dreamed of a Messiah.**

**They dreamed of just rulers.**

**They dreamed of a new day for all people.**

One: The Magi had a dream, and this dream led them to action.

**All: They journeyed to unknown places. They followed a star.**

**They walked for days to get to Jesus.**

One: So may we be like the Magi,

**All: May our dreams inspire action.**

**May we worship the one true God. Amen.**

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## Hymn

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

(vs. 1, 3, 4, 6)

# O Come, All Ye Faithful

1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O  
 1. A - des - te, fi - de - les, lae - ti tri - um - phan - tes; ve -  
 2. True God of true God, Light from Light E - ter - nal,  
 3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion; O  
 \*4. See how the shep - herds, sum-moned to his cra - dle,

come ye, O come ye, to Beth - le - hem.  
 ni - te, ve - ni - te in Beth - le - hem.  
 lo, he shuns not the Vir - gin's womb;  
 sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heaven a - bove!  
 leav - ing their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;

Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;  
 Na - tum vi - de - te Re - gem an - ge - lor - um.  
 Son of the Fa - ther, be - got - ten, not cre - at - ed;  
 Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;  
 we too will thith - er bend our joy - ful foot - steps;

*Refrain*

O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,  
 Ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus, ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus,

O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.  
 ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus, Do - mi - num.

\*\*6. Yea, Lord, we greet thee,  
 born this happy morning,  
 Jesus, to thee be  
 all glory given.  
 Word of the Father,  
 now in flesh appearing:  
*Refrain*

# Hymn

# The First Noel



1. The first No - el the an - gel did say was to cer - tain poor  
2. They look - ed up and saw a star shin - ing in the  
3. And by the light of that same star three Wise Men  
4. This star drew nigh to the north - west, o'er Beth - le -  
5. Then en - tered in those Wise Men three, full rev - erent-



shepherds in fields as they lay; in fields where they lay keep - ing their  
east, be - yond them far; and to the earth it gave great  
came from coun - try far; to seek for a king was their in -  
hem it took its rest; and there it did both stop and  
ly up - on the knee, and of - fered there, in his pres -



## Refrain



sheep, on a cold win - ter's night that was so deep.  
light, and so it con - tin - ued both day and night.  
tent, and to fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went. No - el, No -  
stay, right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.  
ence, their gold and myrrh and frank - in - cense.



el, No - el, No - el, born is the King of Is - ra - el.



## Affirmation of Faith

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**All: We believe in God,  
Who came to this earth as a child,  
Was born to unmarried teenage parents,  
And was quickly made a refugee.  
We believe that this child grew up to heal the sick,  
See the poor,  
Dine with outcasts,  
Welcome foreigners,  
Wash the feet of sinners,  
Offer second chances,  
And bless the children.  
And so we believe that Christmas is only the beginning.  
The dream does not end with a manger.  
The dream ends with God's promised day.  
So until all God's children are home,  
We will follow the Magi's lead— Walking, seeking, and looking up.  
May it be so, for this we believe. Amen.**

~Affirmation of Faith written by Sarah Are | A Sanctified Art LLC | [sanctifiedart.org](http://sanctifiedart.org)~

## Gloria Patri

Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the be-

gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A - men. A - men.

### The Lord's Prayer

*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.*

### Scripture Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6  
Matthew 2:1-12

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Arise! Shine! Your light has come;  
the Lord's glory has shone upon you.

Though darkness covers the earth  
and gloom the nations,  
the Lord will shine upon you;  
God's glory will appear over you.

Nations will come to your light  
and kings to your dawning radiance.

Lift up your eyes and look all around:  
they are all gathered; they have come to you.

Your sons will come from far away,  
and your daughters on caregivers' hips.

Then you will see and be radiant;  
your heart will tremble and open wide,  
because the sea's abundance will be turned over to you;  
the nations' wealth will come to you.

Countless camels will cover your land,  
young camels from Midian and Ephah.

They will all come from Sheba,  
carrying gold and incense,  
proclaiming the Lord's praises.

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After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in the territory of Judea during the rule of King Herod, magi came from the east to Jerusalem. They asked, “Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We’ve seen his star in the east, and we’ve come to honor him.”

When King Herod heard this, he was troubled, and everyone in Jerusalem was troubled with him. He gathered all the chief priests and the legal experts and asked them where the Christ was to be born. They said, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for this is what the prophet wrote:

*You, Bethlehem, land of Judah,  
by no means are you least among the rulers of Judah,  
because from you will come one who governs,  
who will shepherd my people Israel.”*

Then Herod secretly called for the magi and found out from them the time when the star had first appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search carefully for the child. When you’ve found him, report to me so that I too may go and honor him.” When they heard the king, they went; and look, the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stood over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were filled with joy. They entered the house and saw the child with Mary his mother. Falling to their knees, they honored him. Then they opened their treasure chests and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Because they were warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they went back to their own country by another route.

**Sermon**

*‘Those Who Dream Persevere’*

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**Hymn**

*We Three Kings*

# We Three Kings



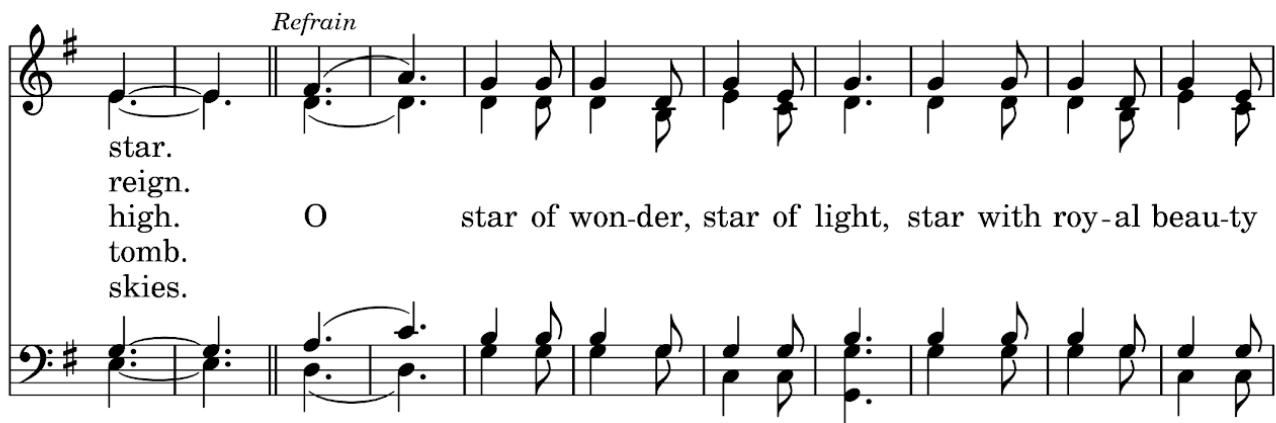
1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; bear - ing gifts we tra - verse a -  
2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I bring to crown him a -  
3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; in - cense owns a De - i - ty  
4. Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a life of gath - er - ing  
5. Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise; King and God and sac - ri -



far, field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der  
gain, King for - ev - er, ceas - ing nev - er, o - ver us all to  
nigh; prayer and prais - ing, voic - es rais - ing, wor - ship - ing God on  
gloom; sor - rowing, sigh - ing, bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone-cold  
fice: Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, sounds through the earth and



*Refrain*

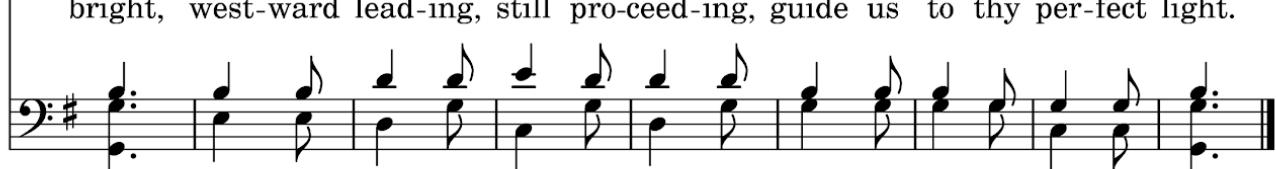


star.  
reign.  
high.  
tomb.  
skies.

O star of won - der, star of light, star with roy - al beau - ty



bright, west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light.



## Hymn

## *Away in a Manger*

1. A - way in a man - ger, no crib for a bed, the lit - tle Lord  
2. The cat - tle are low - ing, the ba - by a - wakes, but lit - tle Lord  
3. Be near me, Lord Je - sus, I ask thee to stay close by me for -

Je - sus laid down his sweet head. The stars in the sky looked  
Je - sus, no cry - ing he makes; I love thee, Lord Je - sus, look  
ev - er, and love me, I pray; bless all the dear child - ren in

down where he lay, the lit - tle Lord Je - sus, a - sleep on the hay.  
down from the sky and stay by my cra - dle till morn - ing is nigh.  
thy ten - der care, and fit us for heav - en to live with thee there.

## Offertory Prayer

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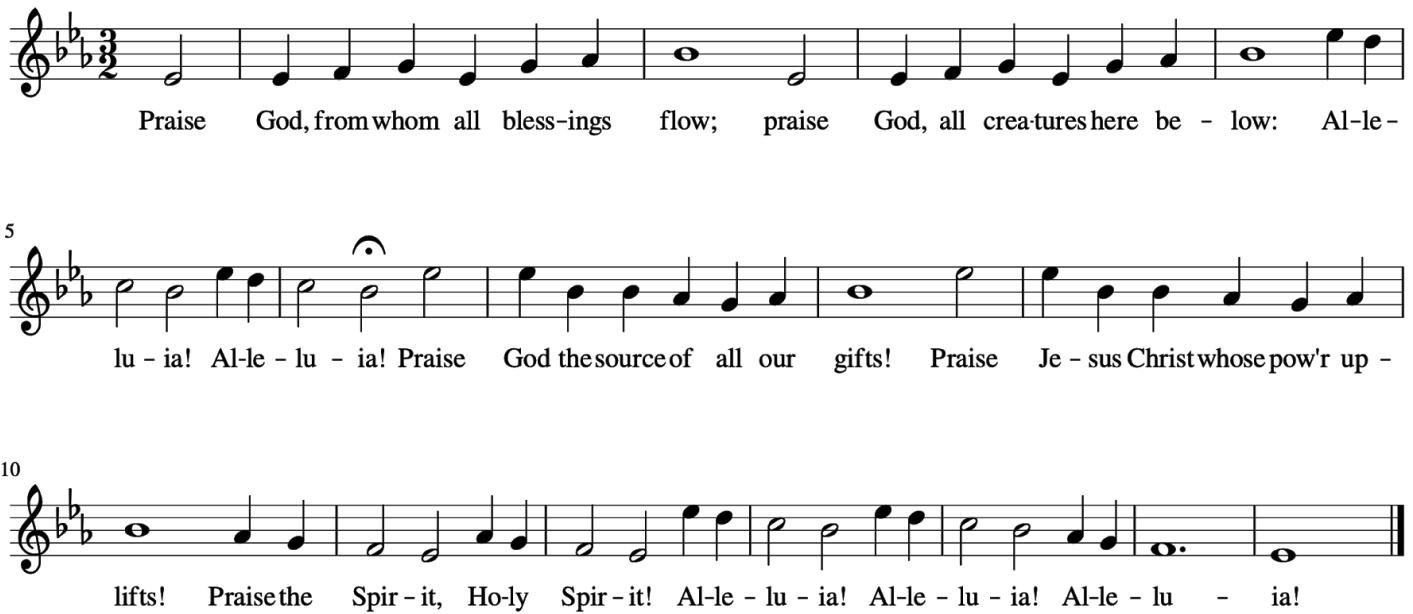
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Simply enter the amount you would like to give. The first time you give via text,  
you will be asked to complete a brief, one-time registration.

## Offertory

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## Doxology



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Al-le -  
lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Je - sus Christ whose pow'r up -  
lifts! Praise the Spir - it, Ho-ly Spir - it! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

## Invitation

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## Hymn

*Angels, from the Realms of Glory*

# Angels from the Realms of Glory



1. An - gels from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er all the earth;
2. Shepherds, in the field a - bid - ing, watch-ing o'er your flocks by night,
3. Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - plations, bright - er vi - sions beam a - far;
4. Saints, be - fore the al - tar bending, watch-ing long in hope and fear;



ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:  
God with us is now re - sid - ing; yon - der shines the in - fant light:  
seek the great De - sire of na - tions; ye have seen his na - tal star:  
sud - den - ly the Lord, de-scend - ing, in his tem - ple shall ap - pear:



*Refrain*



Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new-born King.



# Hymn

# Joy to the World



1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her  
2. Joy to the world, the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their songs em -  
3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in - fest the  
4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na - tions

King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room,  
ploy; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow  
prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous - ness,

and heaven and na - ture sing,  
re - peat the sound-ing joy,  
far as the curse is found,  
and won - ders of his love,

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far as the curse is found,  
and won - ders of his love,

and heaven, and heaven, and na - ture sing.  
and heaven, and heaven, and na - ture re - peat, re - peat the sound-ing joy.  
and heaven, and heaven, and na - ture re - peat, re - peat the sound-ing found, far as, far as the curse is and won - ders, won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his love,

and heaven and na - ture sing,  
peat the sound-ing joy,  
as the curse is found,  
won - ders of his love,

**Benediction**

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**Postlude**

Min Kyung Kim