

Member Prayer Requests

*Melissa Rainey Ernie Carlson
Dianne Isakson & Family Lindsay Wetzel
Bill Davis Delta Reedy
Marge Crozier Genie Neely
Tom Jackson & Family Lee O'Neal

Friends & Relatives Prayer Requests

Ellie Howe requested by Andrea Buhr
Ashley T. requested by Allison Vittur
Cheryl requested by Sharon Humphrey
Ken Dye requested by Jane Dye
Burt Kamin requested by Becky Conroy

Serving in our Armed Forces

Thomas Brainerd James Craig Jones
Monica Conway Ashley Stefani Pillow
Timothy Devine Tim Uphoff
David Freeman James Wells
Hunter Hamilton Yancey Whittaker

Our Home Bound Members

Lois Cheole Mary Richards
Jean Cooper Adam Riggins
Joyce Gillum Dee Speckhals
Wayne Hanks Barbara Weeks
Hazel Morgan Tom Willis
Doris Reid

A memorial service to celebrate the life of former U.S. Senator Johnny Isakson will be held at 2 p.m. on Jan. 6, at Peachtree Road United Methodist Church, 3180 Peachtree Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30305. All attendees are asked to be vaccinated against COVID-19 and wear masks during the service.

Wise & Willing



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Mt. Zion United Methodist Church
January 2, 2022
Second Sunday After Christmas

Mt. Zion United Methodist Church

January 2, 2022
10:00 am

Prelude

The Three Kings
Ms. Carolyn Swain, organist

Call to Worship

Days of Elijah
The Summit Ensemble

Welcome & Announcements

*Hymn of Praise UMH 254

We Three Kings

Affirmation of Faith UMH 889

Affirmation From 1 Timothy 2

PASTOR: There is one God and there is one mediator, Christ Jesus, who came as a ransom for all, to whom we testify.

ALL: This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners, and was manifested in the flesh, vindicated in the Spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed in throughout the world, taken up in glory. Great indeed is the mystery of the gospel. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Children's Moment

Special Music

Simple Gospel
The Summit Ensemble

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Special Music

Spirit of God
Mrs. Donna Rice, soloist

Hopkins/Held

Magi bearing gifts

Rev. Harden Hopper

KINGS OF ORIENT

Rev. Hamby/ All

*Scripture Reading

Matthew 2:1-12

Rev. Hamby

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem,² 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.’ ³When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵They told him, ‘In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

⁶“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.” ⁷

⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then 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.’ ⁹When 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. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On 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. ¹²And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Message

Wise & Willing

Rev. Hopper

Holy Communion

Revs. Hopper, Stewart & Hamby
The January Rail Offering is designated for the Mar Elias Peace Study Center.

The goal of the Mar Elias Peace Study Center is to equip new generations of the brightest Christian, Muslim, Jewish, and Druze students in Israel/Palestine to know “the Other,” to be creative problem solvers and bridge-builders, and to become key leaders in their professions and their society. Website is: <https://umcmission.org/advance-project/3020532/>

Hymn of Commitment UMH 245

The First Noel

THE FIRST NOEL

Offerings

Doxology UMH 95

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above the Heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost*

Old 100th

Benediction

Postlude

How Brightly Shines the Morning Star
Ms. Carolyn Swain, Organist

Rev. Hopper

D. Buxtehude

*Congregation standing: Persons with physical limitations are invited to remain comfortably seated.

Days of Elijah

Verse 1

These are the days of Elijah
 Declaring the Word of the Lord
 And these are the days
 Of Your servant Moses
 Righteousness being restored
 And though these are days
 Of great trials
 Of famine and darkness and sword
 Still we are the voice
 In the desert crying
 Prepare ye the way of the Lord

Chorus 1

Behold He comes
 Riding on the clouds
 Shining like the sun
 At the trumpet call
 So lift your voice
 It's the year of Jubilee
 And out of Zion's hill
 Salvation comes

Verse 2

And these are the days of Ezekiel
 The dry bones becoming as flesh
 And these are the days
 Of Your servant David
 Rebuilding a temple of praise
 And these are the days of the harvest
 The fields are as white in the world
 And we are the labourers
 In Your vineyard
 Declaring the Word of the Lord

Misc 1

(Bridge)

There is no god like Jehovah
 There is no god like Jehovah
 There is no god like Jehovah
 There is no god like Jehovah (hey)

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We Three Kings

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We Three Kings

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The First Noel

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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 -

shep-herds in fields as they lay; in fields where they lay
 east, be - yond them far; and to the earth it
 came from coun - try far; to seek for a king was
 hem it took its rest; and there it did both
 ly up - on the knee, and of - fered there, in

keep-ing their sheep, on a cold win-ter's night that was so deep.
 gave great light, and so it con - tin-ued both day and night.
 their in - tent, and to fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went.
 stop and stay, right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.
 his pres - ence, their gold and myrrh and frank - in - cense.

Refrain

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

WORDS: Trad. English carol (Lk. 2:8-14; Mt. 2:1-12)
 MUSIC: Trad. English carol; harm. from *Christmas Carols New and Old*, 1871

THE FIRST NOEL
 Irr. with Refrain

Simple Gospel

Verse 1

I want to know You Lord like I know a friend

I want to know You Lord

(REPEAT)

Chorus 1

(So) I'm laying down all my religion

I'm laying down

I want to know You Lord

(REPEAT)

Verse 2

I used to think that I could box You in

But I'm laying down

I want to know You Lord

(REPEAT)

Verse 3

Lord I've been told to be ashamed

Lord I've been told I don't measure up

Lord I've been told I'm not good enough

But You're here with me

Misc 1

(Bridge)

I reach out and You find me in the dust

And You say no amount of untruths can separate us

Chorus 2

I will rejoice in the simple gospel

I will rejoice in You Lord

(REPEAT)