Liturgy for Epiphany Evening Prayers

Mondays thru Saturdays Fourth Presbyterian Church ~ South Boston

6:00 pm GATHERING (A time for connecting meditation)

6:10 pm OPENING SENTENCES

- One: We gather in the Light that was before, is now and ever will be.
- ALL: We seek the Light's ancient wisdom.
- One: We gather in the Light that is God's continuing gift.
- ALL: We live into the Light's new wisdom.
- One: We gather in the Light that is our own, emerging anew each day.
- ALL: We seek to share this wisdom, nurtured in the Light from Bethlehem's cradle.
- One: Gather us and let the Light call us to new ways of healing and hope, restoration and renewal.

POINTED EPIPHANY PRAYER (Carol Penner www.leadinginworship.com)

God of grace, thank you for every epiphany that will happen today for every one who drops a weapon because there are no enemies for every one who breathes in the scent of cedar and is cleansed for every one who drops that heavy bundle of resentment for every one who is guided by generations yet unborn for every one who is contented at the end of a journey for every one who falls on their knees before a baby for every one who senses the webs that connect us for every one who follows a sign from heaven for every one who remembers to give gifts for every one who is bowled over by love for every one who recognizes the holy for every one who dances with joy for every one who says a prayer for all with stars in their eves For Jesus' sake We pray Amen

READING & REFLECTION

COMMUNITY PRAYER (a time for shared prayer)

PASTORAL PRAYER.....concluding with.....

God of endless light, you sent a star....rising from the darkness, guiding seekers and sages, overwhelming us with joy. Let the splendor of your dawning light grow in us and in the all the world until the whole creation shines with your glory; through Jesus Christ our Light, who taught us to pray this prayer......

LORD'S PRAYER

SUNG RESPONSE

Walk in the Light, the beautiful Light. Come let the dew drops of mercy shine bright. Shine all around us by day and by night, Jesus the Light of the world.

BENEDICTION & PASSING OF THE PEACE

Songs Of Christmas

THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine Let it shine, Let it shine, Let it shine.

Hide it under a bushel? No! I'm gonna let it shine Hide it under a bushel? No! I'm gonna let it shine Hide it under a bushel? No! I'm gonna let it shine Let it shine, Let it shine, Let it shine.

GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN (136)

Refrain: Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere; Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night Behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light. (Refrain)

The shepherds feared and trembled when lo! above the Earth Rang out the angel chorus that hailed our Savior's birth. (Refrain)

Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born, And God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn. (Refrain)

WE THREE KINGS OF ORIENT ARE (151)

We three kings of Orient are Bearing gifts we traverse afar Field and fountain, moor and mountain Following yonder star

Refrain: Oh, star of wonder, star of night Star with royal beauty bright Westward leading, still proceeding Guide us to thy perfect light

Glorious now behold him arise; King and God and sacrifice: Alleluia, Alleluia, sounds through the earth and skies. (Refrain)

LORD, THE LIGHT OF YOUR LOVE IS SHINING (192)

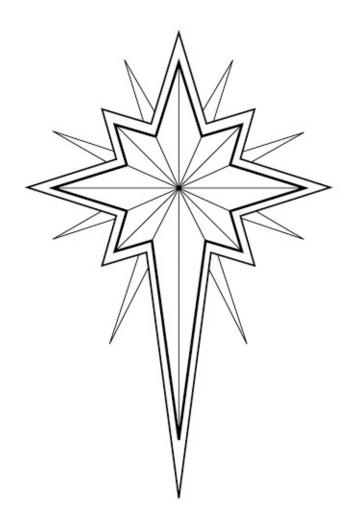
Lord, the light of your love is shining In the midst of the darkness, shining Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us Set us free by the truth you now bring us Shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain: Shine, Jesus, shine Fill this land with the Father's glory Blaze, Spirit, blaze, Set our hearts on fire Flow, river, flow Flood the nations with grace and mercy Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

As we gaze on your kingly brightness So our faces display your likeness Ever changing from glory to glory Mirrored here may our lives tell your story Shine on me, shine on me. (Refrain)

THE LORD IS MY LIGHT (Taizé)

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation; In God I trust, in God I trust. (Repeat) January 6^{th} – February 16^{th} , 2021



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