

**Cross Roads UMC-10am Service**

**Sunday, January 2, 2022**

**2nd Sunday after Christmas**

**Gathering Music: There's A Song in the Air**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship:**

Leader: Arise, shine, for your light has come!

**People: The glory of the Lord has risen upon us!**

Leader: Like sages from afar, come and behold  
your Christ!

**People: Let us fall on our knees in his honor! Let  
us lift our voices in praise of his name!**

**Song of Praise: How Many Kings**

Follow the star to a place unexpected

Would you believe after all we've projected

A child in a manger?

Lowly and small, the weakest of all

Unlikeliest hero,

wrapped in his mother's shawl

Just a child, is this who we've waited for?

**Chorus:**

*'Cause how many kings*

*stepped down from their thrones?*

*How many lords*

*have abandoned their homes?*

*How many greats*

*have become the least for me?*

*And how many gods*

*have poured out their hearts*

*To romance a world*

*that has torn all apart?*

*How many fathers*

*gave up their sons for me?*

Bringing our gifts for the newborn Savior

All that we have, whether costly or meek

Because we believe

Gold for His honor

and frankincense for His pleasure

And myrrh for the cross He'll suffer

Do you believe?

Is this who we've waited for?

**Repeat Chorus**

Only one did that for me

All for me (all for me)

All for you (all for you)

All for me (all for me)

All for you (all for you)

How many kings

stepped down from their thrones?

How many lords

have abandoned their homes?

How many greats have become the least?

How many gods

have poured out their hearts

To romance a world that has torn all apart?

How many fathers

gave up their sons for me?

Only one did that for me

All for me, all for you

**Opening Prayer**

**Children's Moment**

**Song: We Three Kings**

We three kings of Orient are;

bearing gifts we traverse afar,

field and fountain, moor and mountain,

following yonder star.

**Chorus:**

*O star of wonder, star of light,*

*star with royal beauty bright,*

*westward leading, still proceeding,*

*guide us to thy perfect light.*

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,

gold I bring to crown him again,

King forever, ceasing never,

over us all to reign.

**Repeat Chorus**

Frankincense to offer have I;

incense owns a Deity nigh;

prayer and praising, voices raising,

worshiping God on high.

**Repeat Chorus**

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume  
breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,  
sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

***Repeat Chorus***

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

***Repeat Chorus***

**Scripture: Matthew 2:1-12**

**Message: Follow the Star**

**Prayers of the People**

**A Time of Giving with Praise Team**

**Doxology**

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  
Amen.

**Closing Hymn: Silent Night**

Silent night, holy night,  
all is calm, all is bright  
round yon virgin  
mother and child.  
Holy infant, so tender and mild,

sleep in heavenly peace,  
sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night,  
shepherds quake at the sight;  
glories stream from heaven afar,  
heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!  
Christ the Savior is born,  
Christ the Savior is born!

Silent night, holy night,  
Son of God, love's pure light;  
radiant beams from thy holy face  
with the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,  
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

Silent night, holy night,  
wondrous star, lend thy light;  
with the angels let us sing,  
Alleluia to our King;  
Christ the Savior is born,  
Christ the Savior is born!

**The Blessing:**

The Lord bless you and keep you  
make His face shine upon you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord turn His face toward you  
and give you peace.  
Amen, Amen, Amen.  
Amen, Amen, Amen.

**Postlude**