

WORSHIP 10:00 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 AM

JANUARY 1, 2023

EPIPHANY SUNDAY/NEW YEAR'S DAY

*Congregation is invited to stand, if able.

GATHERING MUSIC:

**LIGHT OF THE WORLD
CHRISTMAS OFFERING**

CROSS ROADS UMC PRAISE TEAM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

A SONG OF PRAISE: EVERLASTING GOD

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

L: HOW MAGNIFICENT IS ALL CREATION!

P: GOD'S LOVE IS POURED THROUGHOUT ALL GOD HAS CREATED.

L: GOD'S LOVE IS POURED OUT UPON US EACH DAY.

P: PRAISE BE TO GOD!

L: LET YOUR SOULS AND SPIRITS REJOICE AT THE GOODNESS OF GOD.

P: LET ALL THE PEOPLE PRAISE GOD! AMEN.

***OPENING PRAYER: (IN UNISON)**

God of hope and light, your good news has been emblazoned across the skies, the great starry night of Jesus' birth, sung by angels, celebrated by shepherds, witnessed by animals. You have given to us a new chance, a reminder of your continual love for us. Be with us in this worship, we pray. Guide our thoughts, our lives, our spirits. Heal and restore us. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

CHORAL ANTHEM

CROSS ROADS UMC CHOIR

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

THIS, THIS IS WHERE CHILDREN BELONG.

WELCOMED AS PART OF OUR WORSHIP AND SONG.

HEARING GOD'S WORD SHARING LOVE ALL ALONG.

THIS IS WHERE CHILDREN BELONG.

***A SONG OF PREPARATION: WE THREE KINGS**

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SCRIPTURE: PSALM 23:2-3, MARK 6:31-32, AND PHILIPPIANS 4:7

PSALM 23: HE MAKES ME LIE DOWN IN GREEN PASTURES; HE LEADS ME BESIDE STILL WATERS; HE RESTORES MY SOUL. HE LEADS ME IN RIGHT PATHS FOR HIS NAME'S SAKE.

MARK 6:31-32: HE SAID TO THEM, "COME AWAY TO A DESERTED PLACE ALL BY YOURSELVES AND REST A WHILE." FOR MANY WERE COMING AND GOING, AND THEY HAD NO LEISURE EVEN TO EAT. AND THEY WENT AWAY IN THE BOAT TO A DESERTED PLACE BY THEMSELVES.

PHILIPPIANS 4:7: AND THE PEACE OF GOD, WHICH SURPASSES ALL UNDERSTANDING, WILL GUARD YOUR HEARTS AND YOUR MINDS IN CHRIST JESUS.

THIS IS THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD.
THANKS BE TO GOD.

SERMON: HOW WE GROW: PROTECTING THE VALUABLE

REV. DUSTIN McCUNE

A TIME OF PRAYER

A TIME OF GIVING WITH SPECIAL MUSIC

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***A SONG OF INVITATION: I SURRENDER ALL**

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***THE BENEDICTION**

*** CONGRAGATIONAL BENEDICTIONAL: 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.

POSTLUDE

Discussion Questions from today's message:

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. What makes it difficult to sit away quietly with God?
3. What makes you anxious about being alone with God?
4. What setting would you select if you could pick the perfect spot to be alone with God in this season of life?
5. What could you do about the concerns you might feel while you are alone with God? Or in other words, if you feel like you're neglecting something else to be with God, what can you do to alleviate that concern?
6. How can we pray for you?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer Breakfast : Thursdays at 8:30 am at Bob Evans in Kinetic Park. We will start with a devotion, pray over our prayer list, and enjoy fellowship together. You pay for your meal.

Eat, Study, Pray (ESP) Tuesdays at noon. Mary DeMoss leads our bible study. Bring your own lunch.

Wednesday Dinner/Bible Study :

Dinner at 6:00

Bible Study at 6:30 pm.

WNK: 6:00 pm.

Choir Practice 5:00—5:55 pm.

Bible Study: cancelled on January 4. Study will resume on January 11.



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