

Announcements

Presbyterians Today

There are NEW copies of "Presbyterians Today" magazine in the Narthex; please one

"These Days" Devotionals

Finally, there are copies of "These Day" devotionals or the first of the year in the back for you to pick up. Sorry for the delay.

Pastoral Care Notes

Ron Carmichael, Kryarlee Enas, Joan Fenton, Mae Hicks, Molly Lawson, Carol Mandile, Lois Manning, Brenda Moser, Suzanne Norling, Gloria Olsen, Venant and Family.

Orangewood Presbyterian Church

January 2, 2022

Epiphany of the Lord



A river of God's love flowing into the dry places of our communities

- **Jesus Christ is already at work in our communities; we seek to join that work.**
- **Our communities are wherever God plants us: Monday through Saturday—as well as Sunday.**
- **We create servant relationships with our communities, to become better disciples of Jesus Christ.**

On the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing.
Ezekiel 47:12

Welcome to Orangewood! We are delighted that you chose to worship with us today. At the conclusion of the service, Please visit the welcome table on the patio so that we might know more about you. We also have a gift for you. There is fellowship on the patio where you can also learn more about church activities.

A system for the hearing impaired are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

The Nursery is open for children through age 5.

Communion note

The Presbyterian Church practices open communion, and all who know Jesus Christ are welcome at the table regardless of age, faith background, or frequency of church attendance. Communion wafers are available upon request for those with allergies to gluten, soy, dairy, eggs, corn, and nuts. They are located in the back of the church. You can ask an Usher for assistance.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Ken Page	Preacher
Chuck Sedgwick	Organist Choir Director
Brady Putzke	Guitar & Vocals
Sammi Burkhart	Children's Sermon
Bernale Wright	Liturgist

ORANGEWOOD STAFF

Pastor	The Rev. Kenneth G. Page
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The Gathering

Congregation responsively reads lines in bold text
*All who are able, please stand.

Prelude

Words of Welcome

*Call to Worship

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

People: The glory of God has risen upon us!

Leader: For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples,

People: But God will rise upon us, and God's glory will appear over us.

Leader: The light of God is with us;

People: All the nations' leaders will be drawn to the light of God.

Leader: God's light now dwells with us;

People: Come, worship God, and shine God's light to the world!

*Hymn #147

The First Nowell

Prayer of Confession

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and pour out the gifts of your Spirit, that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ.

(moment of silence)

Leader: Lord, hear our prayer.

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria (tune of Ode to Joy)

Glory be to God in Heaven! Peace, good will to all the earth.

Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:

We exalt You; we adore You, we lift high our thanks and praise.

Saints and angels bow before You; Here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever! Lamb of God and Lord of love.

Son of God and gracious Savior, You have come from heav'n above.

On the cross You died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.

Hear our prayer: restore, forgive us; in Your promise firm we stand.

Holy One now we acclaim You: Lord alone, to You we call;

Holy One in faith we name You; God most high, yet near to all.

Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright.

For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

*Passing the Peace

"The peace of Christ be with you . . . **And also with you.**"

God's Word

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Matthew 7:7-11

"The Word of the Lord . . . **Thanks be to God.**"

*Song

We Three Kings

Second Reading

Matthew 2:1-12

"The Word of the Lord . . . **Thanks be to God.**"

Sermon

"Seek and Ye Shall Find"

The Rev. Kenneth G. Page

Our Response to God's Word

Offertory

Prayer of Dedication

Organ Voluntary

A Stable Lamp is Lighted

arr. Wilbur Held

God's Sign and Seal

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Lord's Prayer (unison)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread & the Cup

Song during distribution

I am Here to Worship

Prayer of Response

*Hymn #150

As With Gladness Men of Old

*Benediction

*Postlude