

## WELCOME

This morning as we join in worship, our hope for you is that you will find renewed life, health, and strength in God. We are glad that you have heard God's call to come and worship, and that you have chosen to do so with this congregation. If you do not have a church home in this area, we invite you to join with us as we seek to serve Christ and live as His disciples. You may be received into church membership by profession of faith, letter of transfer, or reaffirmation of faith. If you are interested in uniting with this church, please contact the church office or any elder.

### Session Members

Janet Holzman - '19 - Mission      Bill McClellan - '19 - Fellowship  
Carol Shick - '19 - Worship      Nancy Mason - '20 - Worship  
Cindy Doyle - '20 - Christian Ed.      Matt Shick - '20 - Stewardship  
Carina Brushwood - '21 - Cong. Care      John Hehn - '21 - Facilities  
Patty MacEwen - '21 - Administration      Cammie Williams - Clerk of Session

### Our Mission Statement

To provide opportunities for people to  
discover God's love,  
seek God's purpose,  
and do God's will.

### Our Vision Statement

Glorifying God with  
mind, body, and soul.

Pastor: The Rev. Loli Reiter  
Ministers: The Congregation

*"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation,  
God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts  
of him who called you out of darkness into  
his marvelous light." 1 Peter 2:9*

Music Director: Logan Sorey  
Organist: Sheila Donohue  
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## Epiphany of the Lord January 5, 2020, 9:30 A.M.

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Welcome and Opening Prayer

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(At this time, children are invited to attend Sunday school across the courtyard.)

Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Scripture Readings

**Isaiah 60:1-6**

**Matthew 2:1-12**

Sermon

***"Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the  
Lord has risen upon you."***  
Matthew 2:1

Announcements and Offering  
Prayers of the People

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Benediction

**"Forever Young"**

**"Whoever becomes simple and elemental again,  
like this child, will rank high in God's kingdom"**  
Matthew 18:4 (MSG)

**Epiphany of the Lord  
January 5, 2020, 11:00 A.M.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

*When the song of the angels is stilled,  
and the star in the sky is gone;  
When the kings are home,  
And the shepherds are back with their flock.  
The work of Christmas begins:  
To find the lost and heal the broken  
To feed the hungry and release the prisoner  
To bring peace among the people and make music in the heart.*  
Howard Thurman

GATHERING SONG # 57 "The Snow Lay on the Ground" v. 4 P.H.

**And thus that manger poor became a throne;  
For he whom Mary bore was God the Son.  
O come, then let us join heavenly host;  
To praise the father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

*Refrain -*  
**Venite Adoremus Dominum. Venite Adoremus Dominum**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: How good it is to sing praises to our God,  
How pleasant and fitting to praise God!

**People: The Lord heals the brokenhearted  
and binds up the wounds.**

Leader: The Lord determines the number of stars  
and calls them each by name.

**People: Great is our Lord and mighty in power!  
Alleluia! Amen!**

\*HYMN # 469 "Morning Has Broken" P.H.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord, you bring us light, yet we choose darkness. You bring us  
clarity, yet we choose loopholes and technicalities. You call us  
to be of one heart and mind, yet we want to keep our options  
open. You show us the way, yet we think we know a shortcut.  
Lord, in your mercy, forgive us. In your wisdom, enlighten us.  
In your grace, guide us into the ways of everlasting life.**  
*(silent prayer)*

Leader: We pray in Jesus' name, who is the way, the truth,  
and the life,

**People: Amen.**

Congregational Response # 310 v. 3 P.H.  
"Jesus the Very Thought of Thee"

**O Hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek,  
To those who fall, how kind Thou art!  
How good to those who seek!**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

(All children and the presenting families are invited to come forward.  
After this time, children four years old through second grade are invited  
to attend Junior Church in room 3)

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 60:1-9 (O.T., p. 690)  
Matthew 2:1-12 (N.T., p. 2)

SERMON "Arise, shine; for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you."  
Matthew 2:1

\*HYMN # 66 "We Three Kings of Orient Are" v. 1-2 P.H.

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was  
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and  
buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from**

the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Offertory \*Doxology # 592 *Presbyterian Hymnal*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow**

**Praise God, all creatures here below;**

**Praise God above, ye heavenly host;**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Dedication

#### PRAYER NEEDS

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Matthew 6:9-13)

**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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*HYMN # 66 "We Three Kings of Orient Are" v. 3-5 P.H.

#### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (the congregation joins hands to sing)

**The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
be with you all, be with you all.**

**The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ, be with you all. Amen**

#### POSTLUDE

\*indicates congregation standing

P.H. - Presbyterian Hymnal S.F. - Sing the Faith

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### VOLUNTEERS IN SERVICE TODAY

Liturgist:	Deborah Thatcher
Greeter 9:30:	Jeanette Sampson
Greeters 11:00:	Elias Mayfield and James Boyd
Ushers:	Carina Brushwood and Larry Connell
Acolyte:	Caroline Boyd
Gate Keeper:	Bruce Derenthal
Closer:	Jennifer Friebolin
Temple Keeper:	Greg Uebel (on or before 1/11)
Sunday School:	Jeanette Sampson (Little Lambs) Deborah Thatcher (Elementary)
Nursery Helper:	Carol Shick
Office Volunteer:	Jim High (1/9)
Lemonade Time:	Fellowship Committee (1/5); Need Hosts (1/12)
Flowers:	Anne Heidt

**LEMONADE TIME** - If you would like to host lemonade time, please sign up on the fellowship hall bulletin board. Interested, but don't know what's involved? Call the church office (689-4412).

**IN THE SPIRIT OF WORSHIP** please turn off or **silence all cell phones** so as not to disrupt the worship experience of others.

**PARENTS** - Children's packets (ages 3-6) and children's bulletins are available from the ushers. The nursery is available, but the "wobble room" will be open for little ones who want to make a joyful noise unto the Lord.

**PLEASE RECYCLE** your unwanted **BULLETINS**. You may drop them off in the baskets provided in the narthex by the doors leading outside.

**EPIPHANY FELLOWSHIP** - You are invited to join us in the fellowship hall for hot chocolate and pastries immediately following worship on **Sunday, January 5, 2020**.

**COMMITTEES MEET** - **Monday, January 6, 7 pm** in the fellowship hall.

**ATTENTION CHOIRS** - starting on **January 8**, the handbells and choir will be returning to Wednesday evening instead of Thursdays.

**YOUTH** - Begin meeting again on Wednesday, **January 8, 2020**.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** - The Women's Bible Study meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at 1 pm in the fellowship hall.

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY** with Pastor Loli, will break for the holidays and come back on Wednesday, **January 8, 2020**. Come and join us for study and the **FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON!**

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** - Sunday, January 12, 10:50 am, a congregational meeting will be held in the sanctuary for the purpose of the pastor's terms of call and share the 2020 budget.

**BAGS FOR HOMELESS PEOPLE** are available in the narthex and fellowship hall entry. Please take one to give to someone in need.

### **PRAISES and CONCERNS**

#### **Pray at all times in the Spirit...Ephesians 6:18a**

Our ministry is to pray for our members who are hospitalized, ill, home bound, attending college, and in the military; and to also encourage others to send cards, make a phone call or visit if possible. If you do not have a directory or need an address not listed, please contact the church office, we will be happy to help.

Susan Kriska	Beverley Field	George Kosan
Charlie Sherwood	Roger Golden	Tammy Wooster
Terry Cooney	Jim Barfield	Robert Lavazza
Bob Stetler	Anne Wheeler	Bonnie & John Taylor
Charles Brandt		

**College:** Kai Abe, Elizabeth Banks, Michaela Brushwood, Danh Cooney, Michael Hawkins, Christian Jaimungal, Rachel Kosan, Peter Lapham, Joanna Tindall, Amber Todd, Jenny Todd

**Military:** Jeff Mason Jr., Diego Rincon, Justin Ernul, Michael Paynter, Aaron Sampson, Sherryn Ramkarran

### **OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK**

#### **Sunday, January 5, 2020 Epiphany of the Lord**

9:30 am Sunday School  
9:30 am Contemporary Worship  
11:00 am Traditional Worship

#### **Monday, January 6, 2020**

7:00 pm Committees Meet

#### **Tuesday, January 7, 2020**

10:00 am Office Staff Meets  
11:30 am Stewardship Meeting  
6:00 pm Brownies Meet

#### **Wednesday, January 8, 2020**

8:30 am Meals on Wheels  
10:00 am Bible study with Pastor  
12 noon Lunch  
6:00 pm Youth  
6:15 pm Bells  
7:30 pm Choir

#### **Thursday, January 9, 2020**

6:00 pm Brandon Youth Theater Auditions

#### **Sunday, January 12, 2020 Baptism of the Lord**

9:30 am Sunday School  
9:30 am Contemporary Worship with Communion  
10:50 am Congregational Meeting  
11:00 am Traditional Worship with Communion

### **LOOKING AHEAD**

Jan.	5	Epiphany of the Lord
	6	Committees Meet
	7	Office Staff Meets, Stewardship Meets
	8	Wednesday Fellowship Luncheon
	9	Brandon Youth Theater Auditions
	12	Communion, Congregational Meeting
	14	Session Meets
	19	New Elder Installation and Reception
	24-25	Session Retreat



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