**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Epiphany Sunday

January 5, 2025

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Prelude D. Buxtehude

“*Hail the Day So Rich in Cheer*”

Enter the Light of Christ Acolytes

Gathering & Announcements

\*Hymn UMH 117

“*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*”

**Words of Worship**

\* For everything there is a season:

**And a time for every matter under heaven:**

A time to be born and a time to die.

0**A time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted.**

A time to break down, and a time to build up.

**A time to weep and a time for peace.**

A time to keep and a time to throw away.

**A time to be silent and a time to speak.**

A time to love and a time to hate.

**A time for war and a time for peace.**

God has made everything suitable for its time.

**God has put a sense of past and future into**

**our minds.**

God has done this, so that all should stand in

awe before him.

**Whatever God does endures forever.**

\*Hymn *“Hymn of Promise”* UMH 707

\*The Peace Rev. Dr. Rita Sims

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

Scripture Reading Carolyn Trezevant

Ecclesiastes 3:1-13

Message Rev. Dr. Rita Sims

**A Time for a New Year**

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

Invitation to Giving Rev. Dr. Rita Sims

Offertory H. Schroder

*“The Shadows Are Falling”*

\*Doxology UMH 95

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Invitation to Christ’s Table

Confession and Words of Assurance

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord’s Prayer

Prayer After Receiving

**SENDING FORTH**

\*Hymn UMH 395

*“Take Time to Be Holy”*

\*Benediction Rev. Dr. Rita Sims

*\** Postlude  *J. Pachelbel*

***Worship Leaders***

*Cheryl Murray Pastor*

*Meagan Jones, Music Director*

*John Burkett, Organist*

*John Mark Dempsey, Sound Tech*

*Claire Floyd, Video Tech*

*Carolyn Trezevant, Reader*

*“All Hail This Brightest Day of Days”*

**\* Stand as you are able**



***Mission of the Month***

*The January Mission of the Month is The Pastor’s Discretionary Fund. All dollar bills dropped into the collection plates, or checks with the “Pastor’s Fund” in the memo line, will benefit this mission. Scan the QR code to give online and select the Mission of the Month.*

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**Upcoming Activities**

January 7 –Men’s Breakfast @ Texas Café at

8:00 8:00

--Women’s Study Group @ 3:00

January 8 –Country Home Estates Service at

2:00



Ministers All Members of the Congregation

Pastor Rev. Cheryl Murray

Office & Communications Tricia Dempsey

Financial Secretary Mariann Andrews

Children’s Director Ashlyn Woods

Youth Director Jamie Bourcy

Little Ark Director Jennifer Knight

Choir Director Julio Villeda

Organist Dr. John Burkett

Custodians Sandra & Fernanda Medrano



Our world, country and leaders

* All affected by the war in the Middle East
* Family of Pat Skauge
* Mike Clay
* Debbie Dunham
* Manolo Leos, cousin of Debbie and Ruth
* Judy Rudoff
* Diane Garcia
* Bill Heitholt
* Nancy Roberts, Mike Roberts’ mother
* Betty Martin
* Anna Blohm
* Rose Stapleton
* Carlos Rickman
* Jack Kelly, Jill Grove’s father
* Jack Gray
* Richard Young
* Rev. Dennis Wilkinson
* Manuel Harrison
* Georgia Gholston
* Melanie & Judy Corteal
* Robert Seay
* Rita Thompson



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10:00 am. Sanctuary