

Hymn Solo: *We Three Kings of Orient Are*
Text: John H. Hopkins, Jr. (1820-1891)

We three kings of Orient are,
bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and mountain,
following yonder star.

(Refrain)
O star of wonder, star of night,
star with royal beauty bright.
Westward leading, still proceeding,
guide us to Thy perfect light.

Born a king of Bethlehem's plain,
gold I bring to crown Him again,
King forever, ceasing never
over us all to reign.
[Refrain]

Frankincense to offer have I,
incense owns a Deity nigh.
Prayer and praising, all men raising
worship Him, God on high.
[Refrain]

Glorious now behold Him arise,
King and God and Sacrifice,
Alleluia, Alleluia! Sounds through the earth
and skies.
[Refrain]

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Hymn Solo: *What Child is This, Who,
Laid to Rest*
Text: William C. Dix (1837-1898)

What Child is this, who laid to rest,
on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
while shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King,
whom shepherds guard and angels sing.
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
the Babe, the Son of Mary.

Why lies He in such mean estate
where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear, for sinners here
the silent Word is pleading.
Nails, spear, shall pierce Him through,
the Cross be borne, for me, for you.
Hail, hail the Word made flesh,
the Babe, the Son of Mary.

So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh,
come peasant, king to own Him.
The King of kings salvation brings,
let loving hearts enthrone Him.
Raise, raise the song on high,
the Virgin sings her lullaby.
Joy, joy for Christ is born, the Babe,
the Son of Mary.



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
of WAUWATOSA

Our Covenant
As followers of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves to share in the
worship and service of God, to grow in the knowledge and
expression of our faith, to reach out with compassion to those in
need, to treat each other with love and understanding, and
to return to God a portion of God's gifts.

WORSHIP IN THE NAVE
January 2, 2022~10am / Epiphany Sunday

Please silence your cell phones.
If you are a guest today, we would love to meet and greet you.
Join us for the Coffee Fellowship in the Lounge immediately following the service.

PRELUDE	<i>We Three Kings of Orient Are</i> Jessi Kolberg, Pianist	by Becki Slagle Mayo
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WELCOME	John Griffith
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THE CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive reading)	Peggy Griffith
Leader: Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.	
People: And His glory appears over us.	
Leader: Nations shall come to God's light,	
People: And kings shall come to the brightness of God's dawn.	
Leader: Lift up your eyes and look around;	
People: We shall see and be radiant; our hearts shall thrill and rejoice, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.	-Adapted from Isaiah 60

HYMN SOLO (verses 1, 2, 3 & 5)	<i>We Three Kings of Orient Are</i> Brett Hanisko, Soloist (No applause, please.)	KINGS OF ORIENT
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THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (read in unison)

Lord God, Your glory has risen upon us and we have been called to the light of Your presence. We try to be like the Magi in seeking Your Son, so that we might give him our finest gifts to acknowledge the fulfillment of Your Word. Inspire us to bring our best gifts to His service that Your Name may be praised throughout the earth. Hear us, good Lord, and let Your light shine upon us anew, as we pray in the name of the One who came to show us that light, Jesus Christ our Lord, as we pray under the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit. .

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.

INSTRUMENTAL RESPONSE

THE LESSON

Revelation 21: 1-7

Bible, page 1132

SOLO

Arise, Shine, For Your Light Has Come
Brett Hanisko, Soloist

by Jered McKenna

There is no Sunday School this morning. Children are encouraged to stay in worship with their parents. Activity bags are available in the Narthex.

THE MESSAGE

“The Hand of God”

John Griffith

SOLO

The Work of Christmas

by Dan Forrest

PASTORAL PRAYER AND RESPONSE

OFFERTORY

The First Noel
Jessi Kolberg, Pianist

By John Carter

DEDICATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

HYMN

What Child is This, Who, Laid to Rest
(No applause, please.)

GREENSLEEVES

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice
Jessi Kolberg, Organist

by Paul Laubengayer

CARE FOR CHILDREN

A nursery for infants and toddlers is available during the 10:00 AM service.

Thank you to the Board of Deacons and the many volunteers whose hard work transformed the Nave so beautifully for Advent and Christmas.

*Caring Corner**

As of December 30, 2021

Born to Eternal Life

Georgia Buchta passed away December 22, 2021. Services are planned for the Spring.

In Our Prayers

Sandra Griffith, mother of John Griffith, as she recovers from a recent stroke.

Solo: *Arise, Shine, For Your Light Has Come*
Text: From Isaiah 60

Arise, shine, for Your Light has come
and the glory of God is on you,
the Lord will rise upon you.

Nations will come to Your light,
lift up your eyes and see:
we'll gather together and come to You and
Your love will be all that we know.
Your love will be all that we know.

Arise, come to the open gates
for the Father is welcoming you.
Fear not, for the Lord brings peace and
redemption to all who believe.
Redemption to all who believe.

Nations will come to Your light,
lift up your eyes and see:
we'll gather together and come to You and
Your love will be all that we know.
Your love will be all that we know.

The sun will not shine cause you'll be
all the light that we need,
and violence will end,
all the wars that we wage will cease.
We will glorify Your Name,
we will glorify Your Name.

Solo: *The Work of Christmas*
Text: Howard Thurman (1899-1981)

When the song of the angels is stilled,
when the star in the sky is gone,
when the kings and princes are home,
when the shepherds are back with their flock,
the work of Christmas begins:
To find the lost, to heal the broken,
to feed the hungry, to release the pris'ner,
to rebuild the nations.
To bring peace among brothers,
to make music, make music, make music
from the heart.

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