



**Confession** (from BCW) **God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ You came among us as light shining in darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, or trusted good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. Forgive our doubt, and renew our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of Your grace, and live in the truth of Christ the Lord.**

### Assurance of Pardon and Gloria Patri



**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the  
beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end.**

**Amen. Amen**

(Blue Hymnal No. 579)



### "Come Share the Lord"

Leech

We gather here in Jesus' Name;  
His love is burning in our hearts like living flame;  
For through the loving son, the Father makes us one.  
Come take the bread, come drink the wine,  
Come share the Lord.

He joins us here; He breaks the bread.  
The Lord who pours the cup is risen from the dead.  
The one we love the most is now our gracious host.  
Come take the bread, come drink the wine,  
Come share the Lord.

We'll gather soon where angels sing.  
We'll see the glory of our Lord and coming King.  
Now we anticipate, the gift for which we wait.  
Come take the bread, come drink the wine,  
Come share the Lord.

### "Sanctuary"

II-56

Scruggs/Thompson

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,  
Pure and holy, tried and true.  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for you.



### Scripture **Matthew 2:1-12**

(p.1374)

### Faith and Engagement



### "I Come with Joy"

(Blue Hymnal) **No. 507**



### Communion

### Prayers of the Pastor and the People with Praise and Thanksgiving

share briefly names & situations to lift to God in prayer – we know God is more than able to hold all we offer & God knows the details! Lord in Your mercy...**Hear our prayer**



### Blessing

### "Halle, Halle, Halle-lujah (X3) Hallelujah, Hal-le-lu-jah!"

## Communion Liturgy:

### **Eat this Bread** \*Communaute de Taize, adapted by Robert J. Batastini (1984)

*Eat this bread, drink this cup, Come to me and never be hungry. Eat this bread, drink this cup, Trust in me and you will not thirst.*

The LORD be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the LORD.** Let us give thanks to the LORD our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise!**

(prayer of thanksgiving & praise -- ending with the **LORD's prayer**)

...he took bread & after giving thanks to God he broke it & gave it to his disciples saying,      **"Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."**

And in the same way Jesus took the cup, saying:

**"This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."**

*All who trust in Jesus Christ as Lord are welcome. As you receive the sacrament of communion consider the grace of what Jesus has done for us all and how much God loves you. After all receive, we pray:*

**God, thank You for accepting us as living members of Your Son & our Savior Jesus Christ. Thank you for feeding us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his body and blood. Send us into the world in peace, granting us strength and courage to love and serve You with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord.**

**3-fold Amen. (Amen, Amen, Amen!)**



**Christ the King Fellowship  
Presbyterian #love  
January 4, 2025 – 11:00 AM**

### Welcome

### **Prelude "We Three Kings"** arr by Fred Boch **Call to Worship**

The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all. **Glory to God in the highest!**

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. **Glory to God in the highest!**

For a child has been born for us, a Son has been given to us. **Glory to God in the highest!**

He is Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. **Glory to God in the highest!**

To us is born in the city of David a Savior, the Messiah, the Lord. **Glory to God in the highest!**

And the Word became flesh and lived among us.

**Glory to God in the highest!**

Christ is born! Give him glory! Christ has come down from heaven! Receive him! Christ is now on earth! Exalt him! O earth, sing to the Lord! O you nations, praise him in joy, for he has been glorified! **Amen!**



(The 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.** (Blue Hymnal No. 592)



**"We Three Kings"**  
**(Blue Hymnal)**

**No. 66**

## Personal Milestones

### January 9 – Walt Baer

## Prayer Concerns

Prayer person: **Brenda Wilbur**

Prayer young person: **Harper Darrow**

Prayer theme for young adult: **general welfare**

All medical professionals, emergency responders & those serving in hospitals, nursing homes & care facilities

Military folks & family - the USA & all those in leadership

S-VE School Board members, administrators, teachers & others

North Spencer Christian Academy

Church Finances

Food Cupboard

Missions Committee

Christ the King Fellowship Pastor Sabrina Slater

**"We Three Kings"** John Henry Hopkins, Jr.

1 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 light,  
star with royal beauty bright,  
westward leading, still proceeding,  
guide us to thy perfect light.

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

3 Frankincense to offer have I;  
incense owns a Deity nigh;  
prayer and praising, voices raising,  
worshiping God on high. [Refrain]

4 Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume  
breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,  
sealed in the stone-cold tomb. [Refrain]

5 Glorious now behold him arise;  
King and God and sacrifice:  
Alleluia, Alleluia,  
sounds through the earth and skies. [Refrain]

**"I come with Joy"** Brian Wren

Verse 1

I come with joy, a child of God, Forgiven, loved and free, The life of Jesus to recall In love  
laid down for me, In love laid down for me.

Verse 2

I come with Christians far and near To find, as all are fed, The new community of love In  
Christ's communion bread, In Christ's communion bread.

Verse 3

As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, Each proud division ends. The love that made  
us, makes us one, And strangers now are friends, And strangers now are friends.

Verse 4

And thus with joy we meet our Lord, His presence always near, Is in such friendship  
better known: We see and praise Him here.. We see and praise Him here.

Verse 5

Together met, together bound, By all that God has done; We'll go with joy, to give the  
world The love that makes us one, The love that makes us one.