

## Worship Service for January 9, 2022 Epiphany

Prelude Marshall Davies

Chiming of the Hour Judy Walden

Welcome Pastor Mak

Centering Moment Pastor Mak

Call to Worship Judy Walden

LEADER: This month we mark a new beginning.

ALL: We set our minds and spirits on you, O God.

LEADER: We are the work of your hands, your spirit, and your love.

ALL: Help us to leave behind the failures and flaws of the past year.

LEADER: Loosen our grip on the past so that we can be free in your love.

**ALL: You are God.** 

LEADER: We trust you to be our strength.

ALL: We worship you in spirit, in hope, and in love.

Kidz Korner Pastor Mak

Hymn Sing! #12 "Come, My People" Marshall Davies

**Pastor Mak** 1<sup>st</sup> Biblical Witness Psalms 138 I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness; for you have exalted your name and your word above everything. On the day I called, you answered me, you increased my strength of soul. All the leaders of the earth shall praise you for they have heard the words of your mouth. They shall sing of your ways for great is your glory. Though you are high, you regard the lowly; but the haughty you perceive from far away. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me. You will fulfill your purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Biblical Witness** Judy Walden The Gospel Of Matthew 2:1 - 2; 9b - 12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." ... There, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

**Reflection** "Help Us Perceive" Pastor Mak

Special Music Plymouth Choir

"Let the River Run"

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Mak

Unison Prayer Pastor Mak
Heavenly Father, heavenly Mother, holy and blessed is
your true name. We pray for your reign of peace to
come, we pray that your good will be done, let heaven
and earth become one. Give us this day the bread we

need, give it to those who have none. Let forgiveness flow like a river between us, from each one to each one. Lead us to holy innocence beyond the evil of our days – come swiftly Mother, Father, come. For yours is the power and the glory and the mercy. Forever your name is All in One.

**Invitation to Offering** 

Judy Walden

**Offertory Music** 

Marshall Davies

**Doxology** 

**Marshall Davies** 

**Offertory Prayer** 

Judy Walden

LEADER: Holy One, you watch over our coming and our going.

ALL: Sometimes we live in chaos. Sometimes in calm.

LEADER: You walk with us always, in all circumstances.

ALL: As a church we desire to walk with others in all their circumstances.

LEADER: We bless this offering now as one way to do that.

ALL: May the time, talent, and treasure represented here be the first steps to sharing our abundant love.

**Hymn** Sing! #196 "Let It Shine" Marshall Davies

**Benediction** Pastor Mak

Postlude Marshall Davies