

January 8 - 8:30 am

Epiphany

WELCOME

PRELUDE

(please observe quiet time as we prepare for worship)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Carol Crotty

*HYMN NO. 251

Go Tell It On The Mountain

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalms 29:11

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His 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; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass 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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS

(Please put your completed communication card in the offering plate.)

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also (Matthew 6:21)

Offertory

*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. Amen.*

*Prayer of Dedication

*SCRIPTURE

Matthew 2:1-12

*GLORIA PATRIA

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.

MESSAGE

"Opening Their Chests"

Rev. Joel Harbarger

*HYMN NO. 254

We Three Kings

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Indicates Congregation to Stand if Able

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In The First Light

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PRAYER RESPONSE

Thy Word

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way,

Still You're there right beside me.

And nothing will I fear as long as You are near.

Please be near me to the end.

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(permission CCLI 621794)

SPECIAL MUSIC

I Sing the Mighty Power

Chancel Choir

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS

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Offertory

In The Bleak Midwinter

Inner Light

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Make it and Take it Workshop - Jodi Blacklidge from Wright State University will be returning for another "healing oils" educational session on **Tuesday, January 10th from 7:00 to 8:30 pm**. This workshop will focus on any medical/psychological concern you may have and let you make your own individualized oil specifically for your needs. Cost will be \$7 - \$10 per bottle depending on the oils used. To make sure we have enough supplies, please RSVP the church office.

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9:30 Sunday School:

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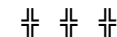
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Unpledged Id.	\$1,557	\$1,205	\$80,964	\$86,706
Loose	\$192	\$2,470	\$9,984	\$11,591

This Week at Monroe UMC

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	7:00 pm	Finance Committee/MR
	7:00 pm	Healing Oils/AH
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	6:30 pm	Youth Sunday Rehearsals
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