

There will be **NO Sunday School today**. Please join us next week when we resume our regular schedule.

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**JANUARY 3, 2010**  
**EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**  
**10:00 A.M. WORSHIP**

PRELUDE

-Andreas Armsdorff

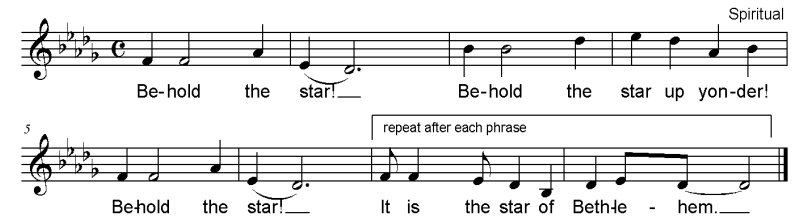
“How Lovely Shines the Morning Star”

INTROIT

**Behold The Star**

Be-hold the star!... Be-hold the star up yon-der! <sup>Spiritual</sup>

5 Behold the star!... It is the star of Beth-le - hem... <sup>repeat after each phrase</sup>



CALL TO WORSHIP

Charles Curley

\*HYMNAL NO. 67 “Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning”

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Deannine Shipman

**God of all flesh, in Jesus Christ you have immersed divine splendor and wisdom into human life. He is not repelled by the shabbiness and shamefulfulness of our lives, but seeks to redeem us. We confess our repulsion from those whose actions bewilder us, whose sorrow burdens us, or whose good fortune somehow detracts from our lives. Our compassion is limited to those like ourselves. Our kindness is reserved for those kind to us. Our passionate concern remains silent until our own little kingdoms are threatened. O God, forgive us. Cleanse us of self-centeredness, and open us to the whole breadth and length, height and depth of your love, manifest in all creation. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Matthew 2:1-12 Page 835

\*GLORIA PATRI Page 579

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ANTHEM "From a Distant Home" -Puerto Rican Carol  
Lindsey Rhodes, soloist

The anthem will be sung in Spanish. For the translation you may follow Hymn 64.

#### ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN

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#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are glad you are worshiping with us today. Please take a moment to sign the pew pad and pass it along to your neighbor, and then pass it back so that you may take the opportunity to greet those sitting near you after the service. Please provide your address and your e-mail address so that we may contact you about upcoming events that may be of interest to you.

#### OFFERING

Offertory  
Promenade on "We Three Kings" -Jack Goode

\*Doxology

\*Offertory Prayer

\*HYMNAL NO. 69 "O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"

#### MEDITATION

Joel Blunk

##### Give Yourself to Love

*“. . .when they saw the child with Mary,  
they knelt down and worshiped him."*

*Matthew 2:11*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER  
Invitation to the Table  
Sharing of Joys and Concerns

#### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation: **It is right to give our thanks  
and praise**

#### THE SANCTUS

(The Congregation is invited to join in singing this traditional communion response)

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of pow'r and God of might  
Heavn' and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

#### The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

*The congregation remains seated to be served by the Elders. We hold the Bread until all have been served, and partake together; the same with the cup.*

\*HYMNAL NO. 335

"Though I May Speak"

\*BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE

"Song of Hope"

Presbyterian Hymnal No. 432

May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race. Praying, let us work for peace, singing, share our joy with all, working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call.

\*THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

(please turn and greet those sitting around you especially taking time to welcome those who are visiting))

#### YOU ARE INVITED

**For coffee and fellowship in the Social Hall  
after the service**