

*Welcome to
Otterbein United Methodist Church*

January 7, 2024

10:30 am

Epiphany Sunday

*Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.*

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

We Gather to Worship the Lord

Welcome

Prelude

Echo Noel

D'Aquin

*Greeting (*Psalm 29*)

L: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,

P: ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

L: Ascribe to the Lord the glory of God's name,

P: worship the Lord in holy array.

L: The voice of the Lord is upon the water.

P: The God of glory thunders, the Lord upon many waters.

L: The voice of the Lord is powerful.

P: The voice of God is full of majesty. Let us praise the name of the Lord!

*Opening Prayer

*Opening Hymn

The First Noel
(stanzas 1, 3-5)

No. 245, UMH

Children's Time in Worship

Maryann Wolfe

We Proclaim the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

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| Old Testament Lesson | Isaiah 60:1-6 | (OT, page 690) |
| Psalter | Psalms 72:1-8, 12-14 | No. 795, UMH |
| *Gloria Patri | | No. 71, UMH |
| Epistle Lesson | Ephesians 3:1-12 | (NT, page 193) |
| *Gospel Lesson | Matthew 2:1-12 | (NT, page 2) |
| Sermon | “EPIPHANY” | Rev. Adam Blagg |
| Anthem | <i>Beautiful Star of Bethlehem</i> | arr. Christopher |
| Announcements | | |

We Give Our Thanks

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| Invitation, Confession, Pardon, & Peace | | No. 12, UMH |
| *Hymn | <i>What Child Is This</i> (stanzas 1, 3) | No. 219, UMH |
| *Doxology | | No. 95, UMH |
| Prayer of Dedication | | |
| Celebration of Holy Communion | | No. 13, UMH |
| Pastoral Prayer | | |

We Go Forth Renewed

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| *Closing Hymn | <i>We Three Kings</i> | No. 254, UMH |
| *Benediction | | |
| *Postlude | <i>O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright</i> | Burkhardt |

This Week's Opportunities

Sunday, January 7

9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

Monday, January 8

4:30 pm Soup Kitchen
5:00 pm Clothes Closet

Tuesday, January 9

11:00 am UWF—MH
6:00 pm Bible Study—Rm. 204

Wednesday, January 10

10:00 am Bible Study—Rm. 204
4:30 pm Churches for Creation
Care—Rm. 204
6:00 pm Chancel Ringers
7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, January 11

Noon JOY Group—MH

Friday, January 12

Saturday, January 13

Sunday, January 14

9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship



The flowers on the altar today are given in loving memory of John & Joyce Zigler and to the glory of God by Eddie & Kim Zigler, Beverley & Randy Nelson, and their families.

Lay Reader:

Bill Pollard

Attendance Last Sunday:

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Otterbein in Prayer

Phyllis Albrite
David Angier
Wanda Baker
Gary Billingsley
Millie Bruce
Rev. Louis Carson
Fern Cline
Cliff & Jean Davis
Ann Dellinger
Jo Ellen Dickenson
Jeanne Ely
Mike Earman
Judi Espinoza
Diane Gray
Mindi Griffith
Ray & Audrey Griffith
Doris Hanger
Norma Heath
Rodney Hildebrand
Todd Hillyard
Jo Ann Liskey
Allene McCoy
Mary Jo Mitchell
Wilma Mitchell
Philip Moyers
George & Betty Painter
BJ Payne
Maxine Perry
Judy Pruett
Linda Ridder
Mary Ellen Rohrbaugh
Maggie Sparks
Dot Swartz
Juanita Taylor
James Vance
Daisy VanPelt
Michelle VanPelt
Ken Williamson
Family of Dana Arthur

Next Week's Nursery Volunteers:

Diane Ritchie & Lena Blagg

Announcements

- **Offering Envelopes**—If you have not picked up your 2024 offering envelopes in the High Street vestibule, please do so today. Thanks!
- **JOY Group**—Today is the last day to sign up for JOY Group this **Thursday, January 11**. Come hear Diane Lepkowski, local birder, share about the birds of Rockingham County that you can find in your own backyard.
- **January Outreach Project**—During the month of January, the Outreach Ministry Team will be collecting items most needed by **Open Doors** guests. Please look for the display and give as you are able. Items requested include: **disposable razors, shaving cream, deodorant, and snacks** (individually wrapped, no prep needed). Thank you!
- **Thank You**—Dear Otterbein family, thank you so much for the lovely red Poinsettia! It has cheered me greatly, and I hope to take good care of it. Gratefully, Ila Kimata
- **Your help is needed!**—The projector that presents the PowerPoint every Sunday in Worship has been replaced. This new projector will not need expensive light bulbs replacements since it uses a laser for light. The cost of the new projector was \$9,000 and the congregation is being asked to help with this unbudgeted expense. Donations may be placed in the offering plate. If you write a check, please write “projector” on the memo line. Thank you for your “second mile giving” for this project!
- **Winter Clothes Needed** for the Clothes Closet. Women's, children's, and *especially men's*, including coats, hats, scarves, gloves, and shoes. Basically the Clothes Closet is running LOW on just about everything. Gently worn clothes are welcome. THANKS for your generous support!!
- **Assisted Listening Devices and large print bulletins and hymnals are available.** Please see an usher for assistance.

**TLC Person
of the Week:**

Allene McCoy
1225 Reservoir St., Rm. 19
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

*Remember Allene this
week with a note or a card.
Let's show her Otterbein's
"tender, loving care"!*

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday: 8 am - 3 pm
Friday: Closed