

∞ ORDER OF WORSHIP ∞

January 9, 2022 • 10:30 a.m.

First Sunday after Epiphany

*“One kingdom only is divine,
One banner triumphs still.
Its King a servant, and its sign
A cross upon a hill.”
-- Godfrey Bradby (1863)*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG No. 166 “We Three Kings”

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

People: His mercy endures forever.

Leader: I will say of the Lord: He is my refuge and my God.

People: Let the earth be filled with His glory.

PRAISE SONG No. 167 “O Sing a Song of Bethlehem”

CONFESSION OF SIN (unison)

O Lord, You have given us the power to discern good from evil, but we have often failed to do so. We have sometimes neglected our responsibilities to You; we have strained our relationships with others, and we have not even taken time to understand ourselves. Grant us Your forgiveness and provide us with a fresh beginning today. Through Christ, we pray. Amen. (moment for silent prayer).

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsive)

Leader: Hear the good news of the gospel. Jesus said, “Come unto me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”

People: In Jesus Christ, our burdens are lifted, our sins forgiven, and our life restored.

Leader: Friends, believe the good news!

People: In Jesus Christ we are redeemed and made new!

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn No. 622)

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS

CHILDREN’S TIME “Epiphany - Star Gifts” Steve Kotula

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE Genesis 1:1-5, 26-31

SERMON “For Goodness Sake!”

PRAYER FOR THE SEARCH COMMITTEE

*HYMN No. 556 “Now Thank We All Our God”

OFFERING

*Doxology (Hymn No. 625)

Dedication of Offering

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND SUPPLICATION

THE LORD’S PRAYER (in unison)

*HYMN No. 560 (vv. 1,3,5) “For the Beauty of the Earth”

BENEDICTION “Lo! How a Rose, Ee’r Blooming”, v. 3
Michael Praetorius

POSTLUDE

* Those who are able, please stand

Epiphany Star Gifts

Epiphany is celebrated on January 6, 2022, twelve days after Christmas. It's referred to as "Kings day" and is believed to be the day when the wise men found baby Jesus. Epiphany celebrates the star that led the wise men to Bethlehem where they found our Lord. It is our tradition to give a "Star Gift" to celebrate Epiphany. Each star has printed on it a special word - God's gift to you! In celebration we will be handing out Star Gifts to everyone today. There will be a special children's message today where the youth will receive their Star Gift. Those not attending in person will receive theirs in the mail.

Welcome to our church today!

If you are a visitor, thank you for coming to worship with us. We invite you to fill out a Welcome Card, which you will find in the hymnal book holder in the pew. Put the card in the offering plate that will be passed to you during the offering. Please join us in friendship and a chance to say hello after the service. Let us know how we can assist you.

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation/Corporation

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation/Corporation of the First Presbyterian Church of Dryden will be held after the service on **Sunday, January 23rd, 2022 at 11:30 a.m.** The meeting includes the election of nominating committee members, reports on church activity, and the presentation of the 2022 budget.

Although only active members may vote, all are welcome to come and hear what our church leaders have to say about our ministries and mission.

Because we must have a quorum, all active members are urged to attend.

Annual Reports

Church officers, please submit your annual reports to the office by January 10, 2022.

Coffee Hour

The Session has decided to cancel the Coffee Hours following our Worship Services because of COVID restrictions. We will resume the Coffee Hours as soon as deemed possible.

For Prayer:

Dave Gross, Bob Sincerbeaux,
Jim Krebs, , Beverly Boda, sister of Carol LaPlant,
Dottie Slocum's family on the passing of her brother, Rex Sagar.

Worship for Next Sunday

January 16, 2022
Second Sunday after Epiphany
Theme: "Finding Comfort in the Book of Revelation"
Scripture: Revelation 1:9-18
Sermon "Seeing Him Face to Face"

Office Hours

The office hours of Pastor Jim Hicks, temporary pastor, are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 9 a.m.-12 noon.
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We Three Kings

Verse 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 night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.

Verse 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

Verse 3:
Frankincense to offer have I:
Incense owns a Deity nigh;
Prayer and praising, all men raising,
Worship Him, God on high.

Refrain

Verse 4:
Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume
Breathes a life of gathering gloom –
Sorr'wing, sighing, bleeding, dying,
Sealed in a stone-cold tomb.

Refrain

Verse 5:
Glorious now behold Him arise:
King and God and Sacrifice;
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Earth to heav'n replies.

Text & Music: *Kings of Orient*, John H. Hopkins, Jr.

O Sing a Song of Bethlehem

Verse 1:
O sing a song of Bethlehem,
Of shepherds watching there,
And of the news that came to them
From angels in the air:
The light that shone on Bethlehem
Fills all the world today;
Of Jesus' birth and peace on earth
The angels sing alway.

Verse 2:
O sing a song of Nazareth,
Of sunny days of joy,
O sing of fragrant flower's breath,
And of the sinless Boy:
For now the flowers on Nazareth
In every heart may grow;
Now spreads the fame of His dear name
On all the winds that blow.

Verse 3:
O sing a song of Galilee,
Of lake and woods and hill,
Of Him who walked upon the sea
And bade the waves be still:
For though like waves in Gallilee,
Dark seas of trouble roll,
When faith has heard the Master's word,
Falls peace upon the soul.

Verse 4:
O sing a song of Calvary,
Its glory and dismay;
Of Him who hung upon the tree,
And took our sins away:
For He who died on Calvary
Is risen from the grave,
And Christ, our Lord, by heav'n adored,
Is mighty now to save.

Text: Louis F. Benson
Music: *Kingsfold*, Melody collected by Lucy Broadwood; adapted & arranged by Ralph Vaughan
Williams
From "The English Hymnal" by permission of Oxford University Press, London.

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.

Text: *Gloria Patri*; Traditional, 2nd century
Music: *Meineke*, Christoph Meineke

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Text: Thomas Ken
Music: Old Hundredth, Genevan Psalter, 1551; attributed to Louis Bourgeois

Now Thank We All Our God

Verse 1:

Now thank we all our God
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom His world rejoices;
Who, from our mother's arms,
Hath blest us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.

Verse 2:

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in His grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

Verse 3:

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

Amen.

Text: Martin Rinkart; translated by Catherine Winkworth
Music: Johann Crüger; harmonized by Felix Mendelssohn

For the Beauty of the Earth

Verse 1:

For the beauty of the earth,
For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies;
Lord of all, to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

Verse 3:

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child;
Friends on earth and friends above;
For all gentle thoughts and mild:
Lord of all, to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

Verse 5:

For Thyself, best gift divine,
To our race so freely given;
For that great, great love of Thine,
Peace on earth and joy in heaven:
Lord of all, to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.
Amen.

Text: Folliott S. Pierpoint, altered

Music: *Dix*, Conrad Kocher; arranged by William H Monk