



Worship Bulletin

9 AM Service of Community and Sacrament

Christ Congregational Church, UCC
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*A Just Peace and Open and Affirming Church
Becoming and Anti-racist Church*

9:00 A.M.

SERVICE OF COMMUNITY AND SACRAMENT

*At CCC, we honor and celebrate people of all races, cultures, ages, abilities,
sexual orientations and gender identity.*

**EPIPHANY SUNDAY
January 3, 2010**

Let us now enter into the Holy One's presence.

GATHERING MUSIC

Jay Marciano

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

A star shining brightly in the East,

Discovered by those who have eyes to see the unusual and the challenging.

A journey into unknown territory,

Taken by those who have courage and curiosity.

The Holy One recognized, in spite of humble origin,

The glory and the gifts, given to the Holy Child.

Let us worship God!

OPENING CHANT

Nothing Can Trouble

Nothing can trouble,

Nothing can frighten.

Those who seek God shall never go wanting.

(Last time)

Nothing can trouble,

Nothing can frighten.

God alone fills us.

INVOCATION

Loving God, we thank you for arriving among us as a Child. Throughout the coming new year, help us see our hopes come alive through your Spirit. Give us patience to devote steadfast prayerful attention to them.

We hope for the peace of Christ.

We hope for the justice he sought.

We hope for the joy he promised.

We hope of the love he practiced.

As the Christchild goes with us and grows within us, we believe that our hopes will be nurtured and nourished, that the world can be changed by their realization.

A TIME FOR CENTERING

Silence...

READINGS

Traditional Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Matthew 2:1-12

Contemporary

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

NOURISHED BY THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

We pray as Jesus taught...

Holy God, who are in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER OF BLESSING

As you bless this meal, God, bless us too—make us a living meal, our substance and our attention in prayer poured out for many. Hold us together as an invisible communion of your Spirit. Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BENEDICTION

Follow the star!

**We will search for and find the highest good.
We will recognize the forces of wrongdoing and work against them
We will be ready to acknowledge our gifts and use them.
We will find fulfillment within the community of Christ
and take the Good News to the corners of the world. Amen.**

***CLOSING CHANT**

Lord of All Goodness

Lord of all goodness,
Son of the father,
may your peace surround us.

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE

Liturgist

Susan Gray

Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given by Barry and Cyndy Johnson
in celebration of our family and CCC

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LECTIONARY READINGS FOR JANUARY 10

Isaiah 43:1-7

Psalm 29

Acts 8:14-17

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

What is Happening With Christian Education Today?

During the 9:00 service

Childcare for infants through two-year olds in the nursery - Room 106

During the 11:00 service

Childcare for infants in the Nursery - Room 106

Childcare for toddler/two year olds - Room 003

Lambs (3 and 4 year olds and pre-kindergarten 5 year olds) will have church school as usual in Room 006

CCC Calendar for the Week

Sunday, January 3

- 9:00 AM Service of Community and Sacrament – Meeting Room
Childcare for infants and toddlers – Nursery
- 9:00 AM Adult Education, Contemporary Theology – Conference Room
- 10:30 AM Service of Worship – Worship includes *The Festival of Carols* presented by the Chancel, Chapel Choirs and Orchestra
Childcare for infants - Nursery
Childcare for Toddlers/2-year-olds – Room 003
Church School for Lambs (3 years – pre-K) – Room 006

Monday, January 4

- 12:00 PM Staff Meeting – Room 107
- 7:30 PM Executive Council – Conference Room
- 7:30 PM Scrapbooking Group – Room 208

Tuesday, January 5

- 7:00 AM Meditation and Reflection – Meditation Room
- 7:30 PM Shalem Institute Night with the Mystics - Sanctuary

Wednesday, January 6

- 7:15 PM Senior Minister Search Committee – Conference Room

Thursday, January 7

- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

Friday, January 8

- 6:00 PM Chancel Choir Retreat – Conference Room

Saturday, January 9

- 8:30 AM Second Saturday – Panera Bread in Downtown Silver Spring
- 8:30 AM Saturday Stitching – Room 208
- 9:00 AM Chancel Choir Retreat – Woodside Methodist Church
- 9:00 AM Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Prayer Breakfast – Peoples, UCC
- 9:00 AM Sanctuary Committee takes down decorations
- 5:00 PM Families with Young Children Potluck Dinner – Social Hall

Sunday, January 10

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Church School for K – 8th Grades
- 11:45 AM Chapel Choir – Choir Room
- 11:45 AM Fair Trade Coffee Sale – Social Hall
- 2:30 PM Youth (6th – 12th Grade) Ice Skating

Monday, January 11

- 9:45 AM Life Review I – Room 206
- 9:45 AM Life Review VI – Room 207
- 11:45 AM Senior Adult Committee – Room 208
- 12:00 PM Staff Meeting – Room 107

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*You are welcome to join the electronic **prayer chain** by contacting the church office.*

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