

***Scripture** Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon *The Star* Rev. Dric Williford

***Closing Hymn** *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* 206 (v.1&3)

***Benediction**

***Benediction Song** *On Eagle's Wings*
*And God will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His hand.*

***Postlude** *Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise* Leslye Ames

*Stand as you are able.

Lay Reader: Heather Johnson

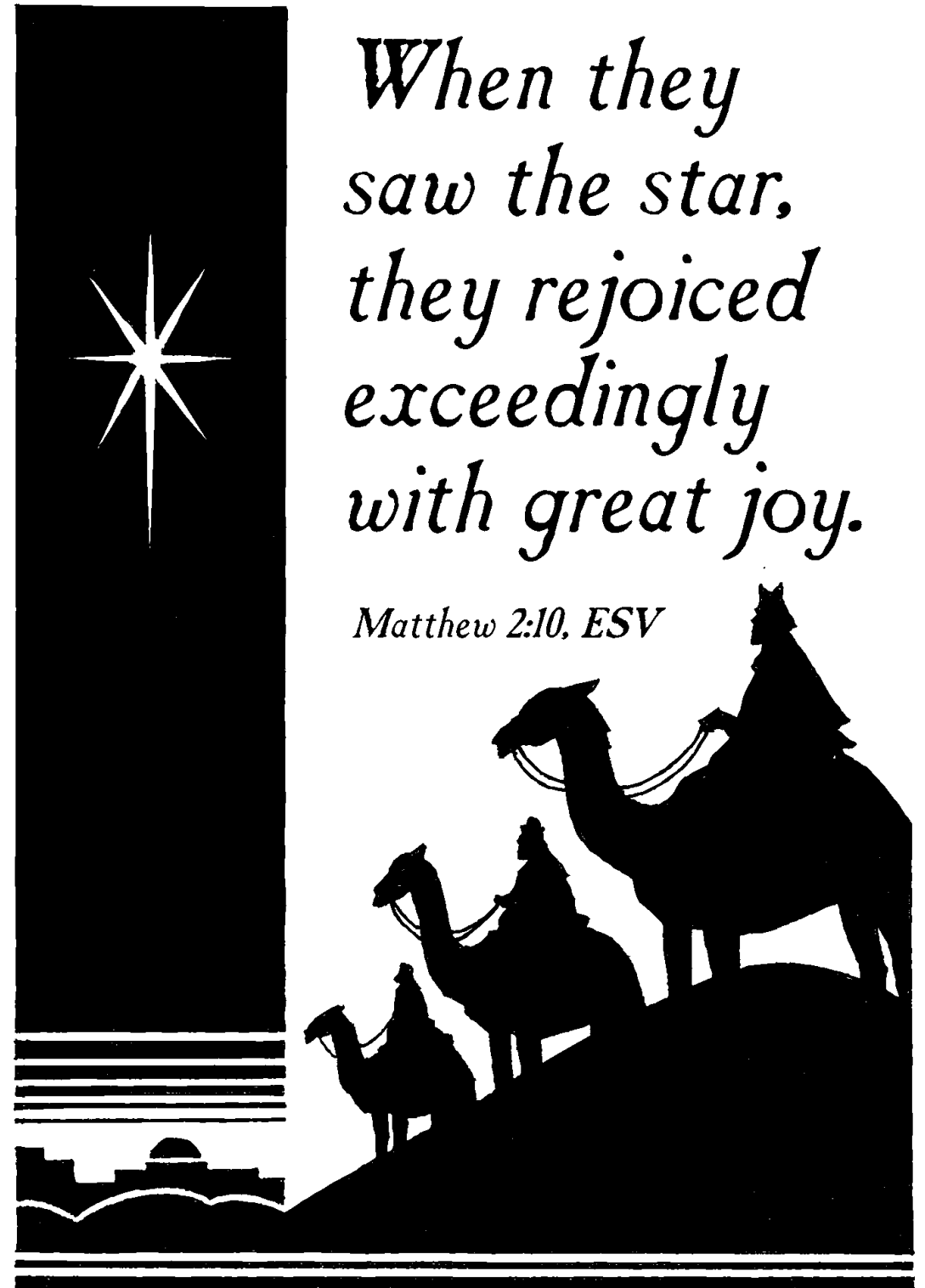
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8:30 a.m. Worship
January 7, 2018
Epiphany Sunday – White

The altar is open for personal prayer time prior to the beginning of our service.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *We Three Kings* Leslye Ames

***Invocation**

***Theme Song** *I Worship You, Almighty God*
I worship You, Almighty God; there is none like You. I worship You, O Prince of Peace; that is what I want to do. I give You praise for You are my righteousness. I worship You, Almighty God; there is none like You.

***Greeting Time**

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***Hymn of Praise** *Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise* **103**

***Celebration of the Saints**

Affirmation of Faith *The 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.*

*means universal

Joys and Concerns

Moment of Silence

We light this candle to signify our prayers for those involved in armed conflict around the world. We ask for God's peace and wholeness to illuminate every darkness as we join together in a moment of silence, inviting you to lift up your prayers on behalf of our community, nation, and world.

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Singing

We Three Kings

We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar, field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star. O star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright, westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.

Glorious now behold him arise; King and God and sacrifice: Alleluia, Alleluia, sounds through the earth and skies. O star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright, westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.

**Shine, Jesus, Shine*

Lord, the light of Your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness shining; Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us, set us free by the truth You now bring us; shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain: Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory. Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy. Send forth Your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness so our faces display Your likeness, ever changing from glory to glory; mirrored here, may our lives tell Your story; shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain

Children's Moment

(Children age 4 – 2nd grade will be escorted to Children's Church)

Offertory *I Wonder as I Wander* Heather Johnson

***Prayer of Praise**

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.

Holy Communion

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Communion rail offerings go to the Minister's Discretionary Fund to help local residents in need.