



## GRACE UNITED CHURCH

### Epiphany Sunday

January 4, 2026, at 10:30 a.m.

Worship Leader: Keith Mayers

Music Director: Don Salfarie

Presider: Sylvia Genders

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD

Organ Prelude: Infant Holy, Infant Lowly      Trad. Polish Carol

Welcome, Announcements  
& Traditional Land Acknowledgment      Sylvia Genders

Lighting the Christ Candle      Sylvia Genders  
One: God of New Birth, reveal the way this New Year  
All: Set us on a path to new journeys in Christ.

New Year Greeting      Keith Mayers  
One: Blessed New Year in Christ  
All: And also with you!  
One: Greet each other with the peace of Christ.

Greeting song: I am Walking a Path of Peace      MV#221

Praise and Worship 1: Led by Grace Choir  
God of the Bible      MV#28 (V1,2,4,5)

Opening Prayer (All)  
Come to us, blessed Jesus come  
As we walk the road to our calling  
Fulfilling all that we have received in Christ  
And bestowed in the revelation season of Epiphany.  
Arise, shine and give God the glory  
Let the redeemed of the Lord say so  
Who has given his only begotten Son, Jesus  
The word made flesh that dwelt among us  
A charge to live in love and charity with all creation  
To glorify God and exalt His name forever.

## TO DISCOVER THE WORD OF GOD FOR TODAY

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12 NIV      Yvonne Aldred

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God!

## Children's Moment: Journey of the Magi

Song: We Are Marching      Led by Kay Bingham      VU#646  
Children leave for Sunday School

Sermon: This Renaissance Period

Keith Mayers

## TO RESPOND IN FAITH AND HOPE

### Offering Invitation

Offertory/Special Music: Of the Father's Love Begotten      J. Carter

Offering Response: As with Gladness Men of Old      VU# 81 (V.3 only)

Offertory Prayer (All): Epiphany Prayer      VU#86

Prayer Prelude: As with Gladness Men of Old      VU# 81 (V.4 only)

Prayers of the People  
Prayer response: O God hear our Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (said)

Praise and Worship 2: Led by Grace Choir

Arise Your Light is Come      VU#79

## THE CHURCH SCATTERS TO LIVE ITS FAITH IN THE WORLD

### Commissioning

Keith Mayers

### Sending Forth

One: As we pass over each new threshold, let us give all thanks  
and glory to God,

All: whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we  
can ask or imagine.

One: Glory to God from generation to generation, in the church, and  
through the Spirit, now and forever,

All: Amen.

Organ Postlude: Shine Jesus Shine

Graham Kendrick