

Thought Before Worship-

*“Truly He taught us to love one another;
His law is Love and His gospel is Peace;
Chains shall he break, for the slave is our brother,
And in his name all oppression shall cease,
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful Chorus raise we;
Let all within us praise his Holy name!”*

“O Holy Night”, verse 3

Red Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *“Canon in D”*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Mary and Joseph’s Son, God’s Gift;

P: Holy Jesus, we bless you!

L: The One for whom magi look, following a star;

P: We have found the Child!

L: God of God, Light of Light;

P: Immanuel, God with us, we bless you!

***HYMN “What Star is This”.....no. 115**

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, bless us and disturb us as we celebrate these days.

Remind us how Heaven’s Highest came to earth to be the least.

*Remind us that a star is needed to guide us through the darkness,
even when light and noise infect and distract us.*

Help us to wander with an open mind

for what you will reveal to us on our way.

*God, bless us and keep us, and let your face shine on us,
that we may know your peace.*

AMEN

+SILENT PRAYER *(please use this time to confess your own personal sin)*

+KYRIE

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: God’s gift in Christ reveals love and grace!

P: Good tidings to be shared this day! Amen

***GLORIA PATRI.....no. 142**

YOUNG PEOPLE’S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 60: 1-6

pg. 602

SPECIAL MUSIC

“March of the Three Kings”

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 2: 1-12

pg. 783

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

AFFIRMATION OF MINISTRY: INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL

Congregation Response: ***We gather in celebration
of the joy that is ours to be partners with you in the
service of Jesus Christ. We promise to love you,
honor your leadership, and assist you that together
we may be a faithful church of Jesus Christ.***

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *“Hymne”*

***OFFERING RESPONSE/THE DOXOLOGY.....no. 382**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND LORD’S PRAYER**

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION.....pp. 27-29

Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full, are full of the majesty of your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest!

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of The Lord,

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest!

***HYMN “The First Nowell”.....no. 100**

***BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

***RESPONSE “Let There Be Peace on Earth”gold no. 681**

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

POSTLUDE *“Fanfare”*

(L- Leader; P- **People**. Those who are able please *- stand, +-kneel)

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Head Usher.....Vicki Dowhower

The Altar flowers are given in memory of loved ones by Mary Getz.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Rev. Lila Butz
Mildred Krick

Robert Keppley

Claude Adair

COMING EVENTS

Monday, January 7 - Stitch & Chat - 9:00 am

Bell Choir - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, January 8 - Council Meetings - 6:30 and 7:00 pm

Thursday, January 10 - Children's Ministry - 10:00 am

Choir Rehearsal - 7:00 pm

Saturday, January 12 - Abigail Butz Memorial Spaghetti Dinner
- 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Sunday, January 13 - Unhanging of the greens

Monday, January 14 - Marketing - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, January 15 - Bible/Book Study - 1:00 and 7:00 pm

Saturday, January 19 - Youth Mystery Dinner - 5:00 pm

Unhanging of the Greens will be held after worship on Sunday, January 13. Please plan to stay and help!

During the months of January and February, the **Peace Pantry** will be collecting new knit hats, gloves and white men's socks for the homeless veterans throughout Pennsylvania. These popular and needed items will be distributed by John and Mary Getz to the homeless veterans' shelters.



Peace United Church of Christ

To all who are weary and need rest; to all who are lonely and need fellowship; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who pray and to all who do not but ought; to all who sin and need a Savior; and to whomsoever will come – this church opens wide the door and says in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ,

WELCOME!



January 6, 2019
First Sunday of Epiphany