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Our Worship on January 3, 2016 Worship Leader: Marcia Roth



Welcome on this Epiphany Sunday! The Lord calls all of us to a new way of living in the wonderful love of our Savior. We gather to celebrate what Jesus has done for us and to worship the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

We invite you to remain after Worship and enjoy some refreshments and friendly conversation.

PRAISING GOD TOGETHER

Announcements – *Please sign and pass the red friendship books*. Opening Devotion and Prayer Singing Praises to Jesus Greeting Each Other and Welcoming Our Guests

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Pastoral Prayer

Special Offering: Good Samaritan Fund

Scripture Reading: Galatians 4:4-7

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Message by Pastor Ken Gardner: "God's Heart."

POWER FOR MINISTRY

The Sacrament of Holy Communion (All persons who confess Jesus as Savior and Lord are welcome to come forward to receive Communion either from the chalice or an individual cup as you prefer.)

Offering Our Gifts to God

Doxology: 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.

Closing Song: "Soon and Very Soon."
Prayer of Blessing on Everyone

WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY: Tithing statements for 2015 will be available Jan. 10, 2016. The 2016 Stewardship campaign starts in January. Prayerfully consider your tithes and offerings for 2016.

TUESDAY: 7:00 PM – Men's Bible Study

WEDNESDAY: 9:30 AM – Discipleship Class – Session 11

THURSDAY: 6:30 PM – Women's Bible Study

SATURDAY: 9:00 AM 1:00 PM – Chrysalis Team Meeting 1:00 PM – *Un-decorate* the church

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 30th - North District Training Event at Northridge UMC Feb. 18-21 – Thursday – Sunday – Girl's Chrysalis Flight Feb. 25-28 - Thursday – Sunday – Boy's Chrysalis Flight April 30th - North District Conference

EXTRAS:

The 2016 Directory is in the process of being updated. Please contact Susan Abrams at 661-816-1278, or email susan.abrams2@verizon.net, to add or update your contact information.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please contact Pastor Ken Gardner for prayer requests. Call the church office (943-2774) or email cosumc@gmail.com.



The Day of Epiphany, like the Day of Pentecost, marks the end of a major cycle of the Church Year. For Pentecost, it is the Lent-Easter Season cycle. Epiphany marks the culmination of the Advent-Christmas Season cycle.

So we complete, today, the season of celebrating and contemplating the mystery of the incarnation and all God becoming flesh has set loose in the world.

The Scriptures for the season after Epiphany:

Isaiah 60:1-6 Isaiah prophesies to a people just returning from exile that the day would come when all nations would "stream to their light."

Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 In praise of the righteous king who would receive tribute from all nations.

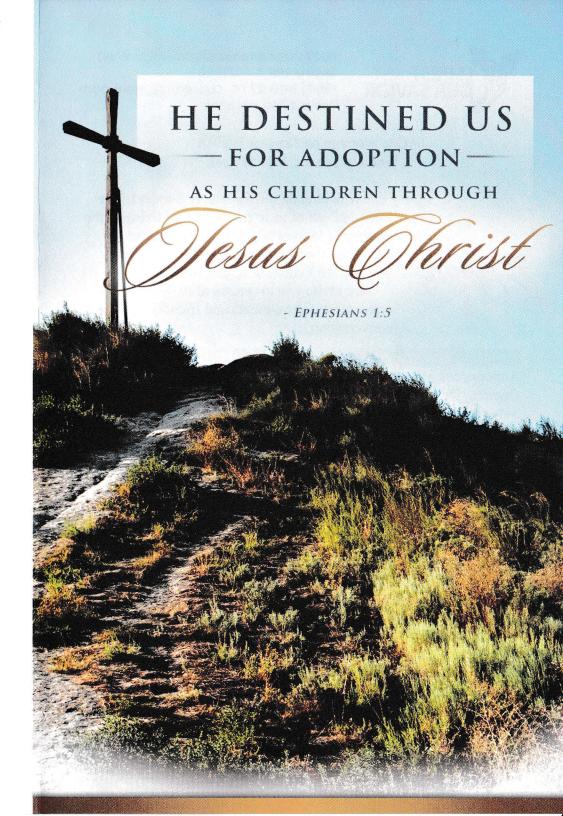
Ephesians 3:1-12 Paul's imprisonments make it possible for Gentiles, including leaders of the Roman Empire, to know the mystery that they, too, are invited to become fellow heirs with Christ Jesus.

Matthew 2:1-12 Magi from Iraq arrive to offer homage to a new king in Judea and participate in God's subversion of Herod's plan.

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"THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS" Series

Message #6 of 6

"GOD'S HEART"

"I've had this planned for **when** the time was just right."

Galatians 4:4-7

January 3, 2016 – Communion Sunday

"BUT ... GOD"

"But (when the time had fully come), <u>God sent</u> ..." – Galatians 4:4 "In the beginning ... <u>God created</u>." – Genesis 1:1

2nd Corinthians 6:2

"For he says, 'In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you." I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation."

1. GOD SENT ... HIS SON – "Full Rights" (v.4-5) ... YOU ARE A SON / DAUGHTER

A. TO REDEEM US -v5

v.4 But when the time had fully come,God sent his Son,born of a woman,born under law,v.5 to redeem those under law,

• Romans 5:6, 8

B. TO ADOPT US (v.5)

v.4 But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son.

 $\underline{v.5}$... that we might receive the full rights of sons.

• John 1:12 - "the right to become children of God"

2. GOD SENT ... HIS SPIRIT – "An Heir" (v.6-7) ... YOU ARE AN HEIR

A. FOR INTIMATE RELATIONSHIP (v.6)

Because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts,

the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father."

B. FOR INCREDIBLE RICHES (v.7)

So you are no longer a slave, but a son; and since you are a son, God has made you also an **heir**.

1 Corinthians 2:9-10

"However, as it is written: 'No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him' – but God has revealed it to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God."