

# Montgomery United Methodist Church

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16 January 2022 - 9:30 am  
Epiphany Sunday

PRELUDE: "Chorale Prelude on 'A Rose is Blooming'"  
by J. Brahms

WORDS OF WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

SPOKEN CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the day which the Lord has made;  
**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**  
O come, let us sing unto the Lord;  
**Let us sing to the Lord with songs of praise!**

**\*HYMN #250 – "We Would See Jesus"**

1. We would see Jesus; lo! his star is shining above the stable while the angels sing; there in a manger on the hay reclining; haste, let us lay our gifts before the King.
2. We would see Jesus, Mary's son most holy, light of the village life from day to day; shining revealed through every task most lowly, the Christ of God, the life, the truth, the way.
3. We would see Jesus, on the mountain teaching, with all the listening people gathered round; while birds and flowers and sky above are preaching the blessedness which simple trust has found.
4. We would see Jesus, in his work of healing, at eventide before the sun was set; divine and human, in his deep revealing of God made flesh, in loving service met.
5. We would see Jesus, in the early morning, still as of old he calleth, "Follow me!" Let us arise, all meaner service scorning; Lord, we are thine, we give ourselves to thee.

SPECIAL MUSIC: "The First Noel" *Barbara, soprano*

MORNING MEDITATION – *Barbara Ewick*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- Every day, in countless ways, we are blessed by God. **God blesses and increases all that I have, all that I give, and all that I receive.**
- We live in the constant flow of God's blessings and love. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

OFFERING: "What Child Is This?" *arr. M. Hayes*

*Dr. Laura Bell*

DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

**HYMN #241 – "That Boy-Child of Mary" (vs. 1, 2 & 6)**

**Refrain:** That boy-child of Mary was born in a stable,  
a manger his cradle in Bethlehem.

1. What shall we call him, child of the manger?  
What name is given in Bethlehem? **(Refrain)**
2. His name is Jesus, God ever with us,  
God given for us in Bethlehem. **(Refrain)**
6. Gladly we praise him, love and adore him,  
give ourselves to him of Bethlehem. **(Refrain)**

**SCRIPTURE: Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. All:  
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

SERMON: *Rev. Dr. Anthony J. Godlefski*

GREETINGS

**HYMN #254 – "We Three Kings" (vs. 1 & 6)**

1. Thou didst leave thy throne and thy kingly crown, when thou camest to earth for me; but in Bethlehem's home there was found no room for thy holy nativity. O come to my heart, Lord Jesus, there is room in my heart for Thee.
2. Heaven's arches rang when the angels sang, proclaiming thy royal degree; but in lowly birth didst thou come to earth and in great humility. O come to my heart, Lord Jesus, there is room in my heart for Thee.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Saint Anthony Chorale" *by J. Brahms*