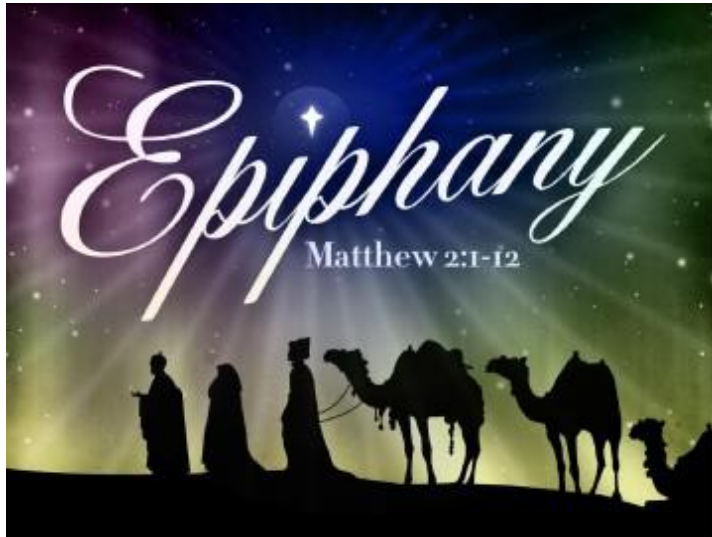


This Sunday's worship service will be streamed live over the internet at 10:30 a.m. and will be available to the public. It will be broadcasted on FPC's YouTube Channel - "FPC Phoenixville".

The recorded version will be available for "anytime" viewing.

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# Morning Worship

**January 3, 2021     10:30 a.m.**

Prelude                      “*We Three Kings of Orient Are*”                      arr. by Math Mier  
Cathy Walker – violin, Doug Walker – bass, Luke Walker – piano

Welcome Rev. Doug Hagler

Sharing the Peace - *Take this moment to comment on the live YouTube chat and let people know you are here, or get out your phone and text someone to say hi.*

## Announcements

Call to Worship (*unison*) *Psalm 72*

**<sup>11</sup> May all kings fall down before him,  
all nations give him service.**

**<sup>12</sup> For he delivers the needy when they call,  
the poor and those who have no helper.**

**13 He has pity on the weak and the needy,  
and saves the lives of the needy.**

**<sup>14</sup> From oppression and violence he redeems their life;  
and precious is their blood in his sight.**

# Hymn

## "What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright"

Capo 2: (C) (Am) (G) (C) (F) (C) (G) (C) (F)  
D Bm A D G D A D G

1 What star is this, with beams so bright, more  
2 'Tis now ful - filled what God de - creed, "From  
3 While out - ward signs the star dis - plays, an  
4 O Je - sus, while the star of grace im -

(C) (G) (C) (F) (C) (G)  
D A D G D A

love - ly than the noon - day light? 'Tis  
Ja - cob shall a star pro - ceed"; and  
in - ward light the Lord con - veys and  
pels us on to seek your face, let

(Am) (D7) (G) (C) (F) (C) (Dm)  
Bm E7 A D G D Em

sent to an - nounce a new - born king, glad  
lo! the east - ern sa - ges stand to  
urg - es them, with ten - der might, to  
not our sloth - ful hearts re - fuse the

(G) (C) (G) (C) (F) (G) (C)  
A D A D G A D

ti - dings of our God to bring.  
read in heaven the Lord's com - mand.  
seek the giv - er of the light.  
guid - ance of your light to use.

TEXT: Charles Coffin, 1736; trans. John Chandler, 1837, alt.  
MUSIC: Trier ms., 15th cent.; adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1609; harm. George Ratcliffe Woodward, 1910

## Confession and Pardon

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But when we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Trusting in God, let us confess our sin.

**People: Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

*(Please join together for a time of silent prayer)*

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

## Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen, amen.**

## Children's Message

### Prayer for Illumination

Leader: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

## Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12

<sup>1</sup>This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles —

<sup>2</sup>for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, <sup>3</sup>and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, <sup>4</sup>a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ.

<sup>5</sup>In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: <sup>6</sup>that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

<sup>7</sup>Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. <sup>8</sup>Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, <sup>9</sup>and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; <sup>10</sup>so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. <sup>11</sup>This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, <sup>12</sup>in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Leader: Holy wisdom, holy word,      **People: thanks be to God.**

Reading: Matthew 2:1-12

<sup>1</sup>In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup>asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage."

<sup>3</sup>When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; <sup>4</sup>and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born.

<sup>5</sup>They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

<sup>6</sup> 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,  
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;  
for from you shall come a ruler  
who is to shepherd my people Israel.'"

<sup>7</sup>Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup>Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage."

<sup>9</sup>When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was.

<sup>10</sup>When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy.

<sup>11</sup>On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

<sup>12</sup>And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Leader: Holy wisdom, holy word,      **People: thanks be to God.**

Anthem

*"Shine, Jesus Shine"*

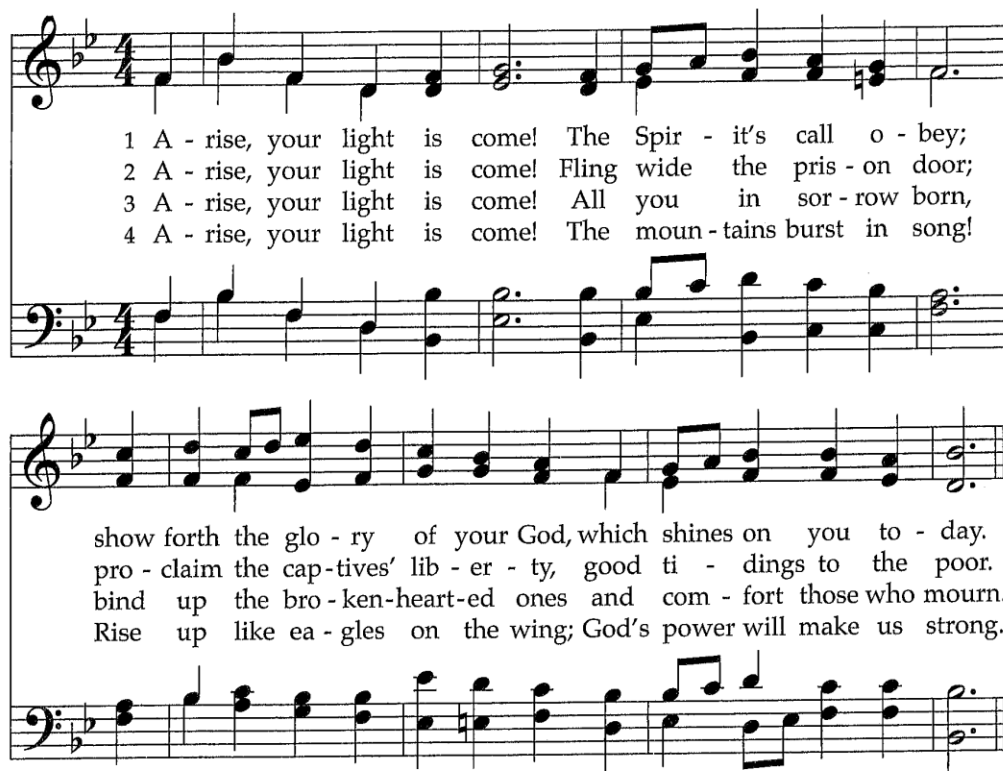
Praise Team

Sermon

Rev. Doug Hagler

## Hymn

### "Arise, Your Light Is Come!"



1 A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;  
 2 A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door;  
 3 A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born,  
 4 A - rise, your light is come! The moun - tains burst in song!

show forth the glo - ry of your God, which shines on you to - day.  
 pro - claim the cap - tives' lib - er - ty, good ti - dings to the poor.  
 bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.  
 Rise up like ea - gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

TEXT: Ruth Duck, 1974  
 MUSIC: William H. Walter, 1894  
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## Communion

### Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (*unison*) (*Ephraim of Syria, 306-373 CE*)

**I give you glory, O Christ,  
 the only begotten, the lord of all things,  
 who alone are without sin,  
 gave yourself for me,  
 a sinner unworthy of such blessing.**

**What shall I give you, Lord, in return for all this kindness?**

**Glory to you for your love. Glory to you for your mercy.**

**Glory to you for your patience. Glory to you for forgiving our sins.**

**Glory to you for coming to save us!**

**Glory to you for your incarnation in Mary's womb.**

**Glory to you for your bonds.**

**Glory to you for receiving the cut of the lash.**

5. *continued.....*

**Glory to you for accepting mockery.**  
**Glory to you for your crucifixion.**  
**Glory to you for your burial.**  
**Glory to you for your resurrection.**  
**Glory to you who preached to men and women.**  
**Glory to you in whom they trusted.**  
**Glory to you whose will it is that the sinner should be saved through your great mercy and compassion.**  
**Glory to you!**

Words of Institution

Sharing Elements

*This morning we share Communion at a distance. You are invited to partake wherever and whenever you are watching this worship service, using the elements that you have available: some basic food, and some basic drink, taken together in Jesus' name.*

*We trust that through the Spirit, we share in holy Communion with fellow Christians in every time and place.*

Prayer After Communion

Leader: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people in every time and place. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

Offering Reminder

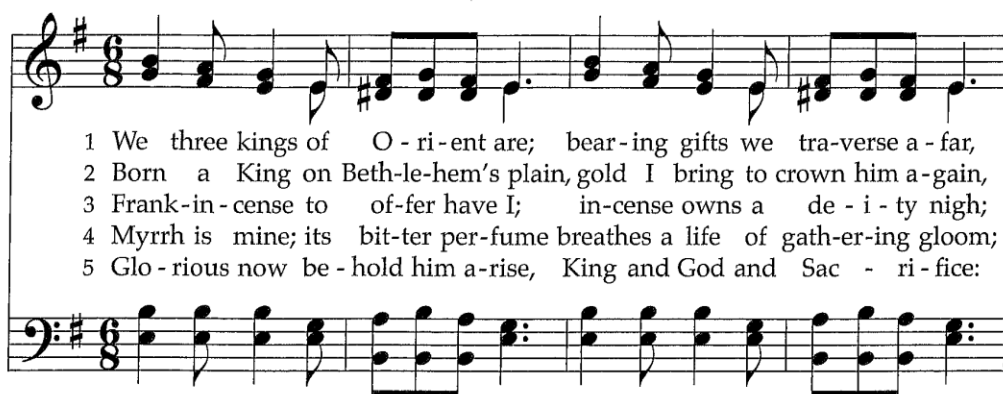
Joys and Concerns

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.**  
**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**  
**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**  
**For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.**  
**Amen.**

# Hymn

## "We Three Kings of Orient Are"



1 We three kings of O - ri - ent are; bear - ing gifts we tra - verse a - far,  
 2 Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I bring to crown him a - gain,  
 3 Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; in - cense owns a de - i - ty nigh;  
 4 Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a life of gath - er - ing gloom;  
 5 Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and God and Sac - ri - fice:

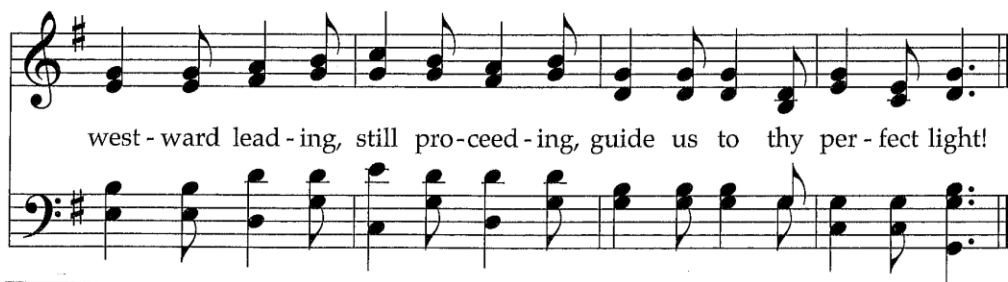


field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.  
 King for - ev - er, ceas - ing nev - er o - ver us all to reign.  
 prayer and prais - ing glad - ly rais - ing, wor - ship - ing God Most High.  
 sor - rowing, sigh - ing, bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! sounds through the earth and skies.

### Refrain



O star of won - der, star of night, star with roy - al beau - ty bright,



west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light!

TEXT and MUSIC: John Henry Hopkins Jr., 1857, alt.

Benediction  
Postlude

*"March of the King"*

Rev. Doug Hagler  
Larry Shackley

### **Thank you!**

Pastor Doug, Sue Smith, Diane Legnini, Sarah Shulman and Maggie O'Malley extend their appreciation for the Christmas gifts, treats, cards, and well wishes presented this season. Thank you!

### **Open Forum at Personnel Meeting**

The Personnel committee is interested in receiving feedback from the congregation on the performance of the staff at FPC at the January Personnel meeting. We will be having a Zoom Listening session on Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-7:30 p.m. Please contact Jean Osterhoudt at [jeanoster@comcast.net](mailto:jeanoster@comcast.net) for the Zoom link, or you can provide your feedback in an email that the committee will review. All responses will be kept strictly confidential.

### **Parish Life December Zooms**

During the last All Church Zoom of this year, 13 of us remembered 2020 and looked to 2021. We were happy to have Hermann & Judy joining in and looking healthy despite dealing with COVID. We talked about Dinner for 8 2020 and how in 2021 we may do summer picnics instead. Christmas loss of power and the pros and cons on generators was discussed and then conversation went back to COVID and how many folks still aren't wearing masks! 😞 Of course there were jokes and talk of food, quiche orders in particular. Thanks Bob Williams for setting up our zoom! Join us on January 6th for Antiques Roadshow, bring something old and tell us all about it and then on Thursday, January 14 for FPC Coffee House #3. Becky, Jewell & Lynne for Parish Life

### **Scrip Gift Card Orders**

We would like to thank everyone who continued to support the Scrip Gift Card Program in 2020. Even at a COVID distance, we were able to raise funds for the good of the church. Now it's time to begin a New Year...2021 !!

We are placing orders for gift cards every other Wednesday in January (Jan.6 and Jan 20). If you would like to place an order, please call Lynne Williams at 610-415-1581 (home) or 610-955-4749 (cell).

You may mail your check to Lynne or drop it off at her home, (14 Schofield Road, Phoenixville, PA 19460). We will complete the order forms for you.

Orders and checks must be received by the day before the orders are placed (Jan. 5 & Jan. 19). Please make checks payable to "First Presbyterian Church DR". Thank you...Thank you for continuing to support this program!



## Prayer Requests

### Joys:

Concerns: Harold & Roger; Evelyn Eitl

### Prayer Chain & Prayer Requests

To request prayers, you can fill out a card in the worship service, drop a note off in the church office or email Amy at [fpcprayerchain1@gmail.com](mailto:fpcprayerchain1@gmail.com) and members will be lifting you up in prayer. You may also call Sue Smith at (610) 933-8816 and she will forward your requests on to Amy. Anyone interested in being a Prayer Warrior should email Amy.

### Book Club

The **Antiracism Book Club** has selected *Ghost Boys* by Jewell Parker Rhodes. The next meeting will be on Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM. With or without the book, all are welcome to [Zoom](#) in to learn, listen, and chat.

### Appalachia Service Project (ASP)

Did you know FPC is going on a mission trip next summer? We'll be traveling to Appalachia in July to serve families in need of home repair. All are welcome to join! To learn more, contact Sarah Shulman at: [sarahsjs14@gmail.com](mailto:sarahsjs14@gmail.com).

### Joys and Concerns Live

Join Pastor Doug virtually on Sundays at 12:00 n. to share some happiness, heartache, or anything in between and lift up each other in spirit. Join Zoom meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87345268002>  
Meeting ID: 873 4526 8002 One tap mobile +13017158592

### Sermon Audios

Have you ever wanted to rewind Sunday's service just to hear something in the sermon? **Sermon audios** are now available on the FPC website. Click to listen or download to save to any smart device.

Visit: <https://fpc-phoenixville.org/publications/sermons/> for the most recent audios.

### "We Are" Vigils

Pastor Doug and other community leaders will be hosting vigils in support of Black Lives Matter via Zoom on the first Thursday of the month and 'live' at the corner of Main and Bridge on the third Thursday of the month, both at 7:00 pm. If you would like to join the Zoom vigil, you can contact Pastor Doug or click on the link that is in The Beat.

### Upcoming Scripture Readings

January 10<sup>th</sup>: Acts 19:1-7; Mark 1:4-11

January 17<sup>th</sup>: 1 Samuel 3:1-20; John 1:43-51

## **This Week In the Life of the Church**

### **Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>**

12:00 n. Joys & Concerns via Zoom link

12:30 p.m. Deacons meeting via Zoom link

7:00 p.m. Book Club via Zoom link

### **Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 p.m. Property Committee meeting via Zoom link

### **Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 p.m. MAC Committee meeting via Zoom link

### **Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 p.m. Parish Life Zoom Social

### **Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 a.m. Food ministry (kitchen)

1:00 p.m. Women, Infants & Children (back parking lot & fellowship hall)

7:00 p.m. "We Are" Vigil via Zoom link

**Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup>** No events scheduled.

**Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup>** No events scheduled.

### **Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>**

10:30 a.m. WORSHIP SERVICE – via Youtube channel

12:00 n. Joys & Concerns via Zoom link

12:30 p.m. Worship & Music Committee meeting via Zoom link

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Diane Legnini, Director of Music; Sarah Shulman, Praise Team Leader  
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