

The Worship of God

January 4, 2009
Epiphany of the Lord

8:30 & 11:00 A.M.
Color: White

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Pat Morgan

ANNOUNCEMENTS

please print your name in the register in the pew

PRELUDE

Peggy Fuller (8:30), Pat Morgan, Jr.

LIGHTING OF CANDLES

Jessie Dongarra

INTROIT

Choir

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

Scott Wilson-Parsons

Pastor: For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness,"
who has shone in our hearts

People: **to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God
in the face of Jesus Christ.**

✠ HYMN 254

We Three Kings

KINGS OF ORIENT

✠ OPENING PRAYER

Scott

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12

NT pp. 1-2

ANTHEM

Choir

SERMON

"Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh"

Scott

PASTORAL PRAYER

Scott

INVITATION AND PRAYER OF GENERAL CONFESSION

All: **God our hope and refuge,
we confess that anger and hatred have held on to us.
Healing has begun, but loss is still real.
We are not in control.
We don't like being vulnerable.
We still want security or the illusion of it.
We still want our enemies to be annihilated
and for our lives to return to safety and Shalom.
Forgive us and heal us.
Raise us to new life. Strengthen us in the way of compassion and justice.
Fix our faith on you so we know that nothing can separate us from you,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Pastor: Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners, that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**

All: **Glory to God, Amen.**

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERTORY

Peggy Fuller (8:30); Pat Morgan (11:00)

✠ DOXOLOGY

✠ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The pastor gives thanks appropriate to the occasion, remembering God's acts of salvation, and concludes:

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The pastor continues the thanksgiving. The institution of the Lord's Supper is recalled. The pastor concludes:

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The pastor invokes the present work of the Holy Spirit and then praises the Trinity, concluding:

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

SERVING THE BREAD AND CUP

*You are invited to come forward by way of the center aisle and kneel or stand at the Altar rail as you are able.
The server will give each person a piece of bread which they will dip into the cup and consume before returning to
their seats. Those unable to come forward are encouraged to notify an usher or the pastor so that they may be served
in their place.*

✠ HYMN 219

What Child Is This

GREENSLEEVES

✠ BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Scott

✠ CHORAL AMEN

Choir

✠ POSTLUDE

Peggy Fuller (8:30), Pat Morgan (11:00)

✠ *The congregation may stand as they are able*

Leading in Worship Today

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| Nursery: | Beth O'Briant | Pastor: | Scott Wilson-Parsons |
| Acolyte: | Jessie Dongarra | Pianists: | Peggy Fuller, Ruth Ambrose |
| Ushers: | | Organist/Choir Director: | Pat Morgan |

THE FLOWERS WERE GIVEN BY: EMMA LEE SMITH IN MEMORY OF HER HUSBAND, J.D. SMITH

Prayer Concerns: Skylar, Amber and Zandar A; Ken Adkins; Patricia Beaudry; Sarah Cayton; Joe Cormier; Doris Cunningham; Mamie Grandy; Tim Hartsell; Karen Mercel; Corky Miller; Jean Person; Joe Pritchard; Jim Quattro; Beula Short; Sam Snead; Olivia VanSchaack..

Trustees

The board of Trustees begins it's work for the new year on Tuesday, January 6th at 7:00 pm.

Church Council Installation

Our 2009 Church Council will be installed during the services on January 18th. Please plan to be present.

Church Flowers

The price of flower arrangements for the church are \$30.00/pair. If you would like to be included in those giving flowers, please contact Emma Lee at 232-3390 or call the church office.

Donation Notations

We are pleased to begin offering the option of secure online giving and Tuition Payments through "PayPal." Gifts may be made by Credit Card or bank-draft. For more information, visit our website, pilmoorumc.org.

Empty-Nesters Events

We will be having a lunch in the church fellowship hall on Sat, Jan 17th, starting at 11am. The meal will be provided by those who will be attending. The menu is Stone Soup (also known as vegetable soup), bread and dessert. Some will be asked to bring veggie's for the soup, bread or other dessert. You will be contacted after signing up as to what to bring. This will be a great time of fellowship and sharing. Come and break bread with us!

Congratulations

Ella Hines has had perfect attendance at church throughout 2008! Can YOU match that in 2009?

Sunday, January 4

8:30 am Early Worship
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship
5:30 pm UMYF

Monday, January 5

7:00 pm Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts

Tuesday, January 6

7:00 pm Board of Trustees

Wednesday, January 7

..9:00 am Lectionary Study Group
6:00 pm Family Night Supper/Bible Study
7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 8

6:00 pm Relay for Life Captains Meeting

Friday, January 9

6:00 pm Girl Scouts

Sunday, January 11

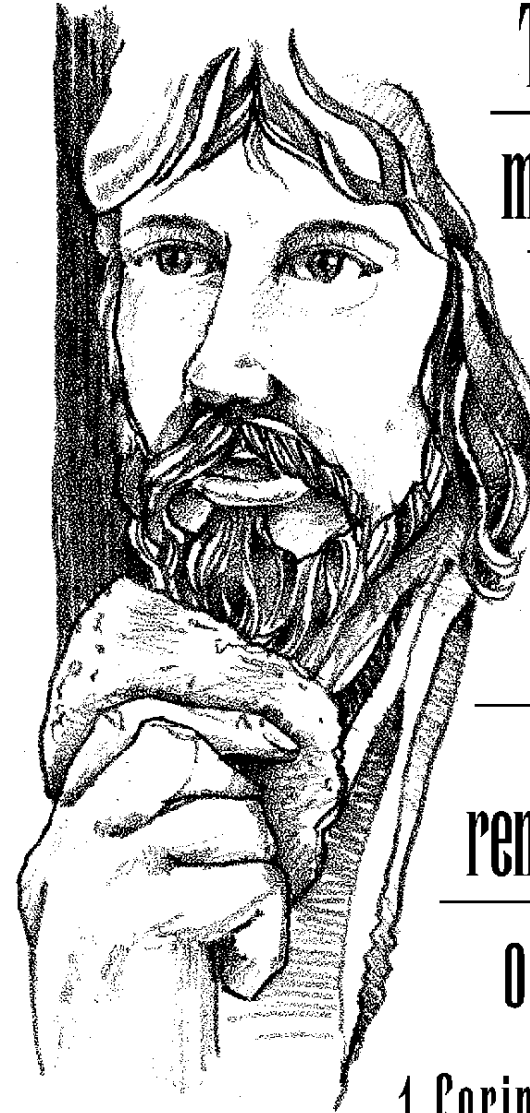
7:30 am UMM Breakfast
8:30 am Early Worship
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship
5:30 pm UMYF

Our Faithfulness December 28, 2008

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| <u>Attendance:</u> | |
| 8:30 | 21 |
| 11:00 | 60 |
| Total: | 81 |
| Sunday School | |
| 9 | |
| <u>Offering:</u> | |
| Budget Expected to Date | \$189,174.21 |
| Budget Receipts to Date | \$174,585.03 |
| Balance | -\$ 14,589.18 |

Additional Gifts have been received 12/28/08

- ◆ Building Fund
- ◆ Christmas Offering For Missions
- ◆ Food Pantry



This is
my body
which is
for you;
do this
— in —
remembrance
of me.

1 Corinthians 11:24

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