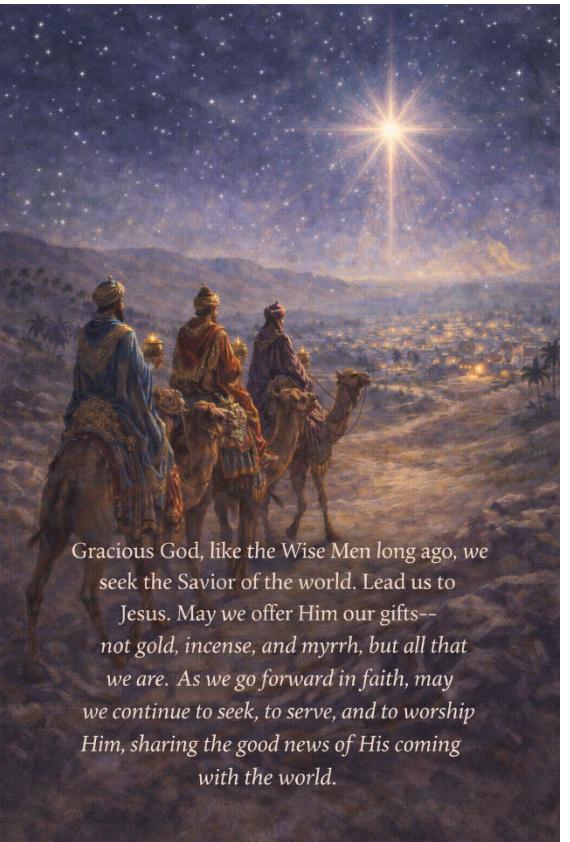




**Bethel United Methodist Church**  
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Gracious God, like the Wise Men long ago, we seek the Savior of the world. Lead us to Jesus. May we offer Him our gifts--not gold, incense, and myrrh, but all that we are. As we go forward in faith, may we continue to seek, to serve, and to worship Him, sharing the good news of His coming with the world.

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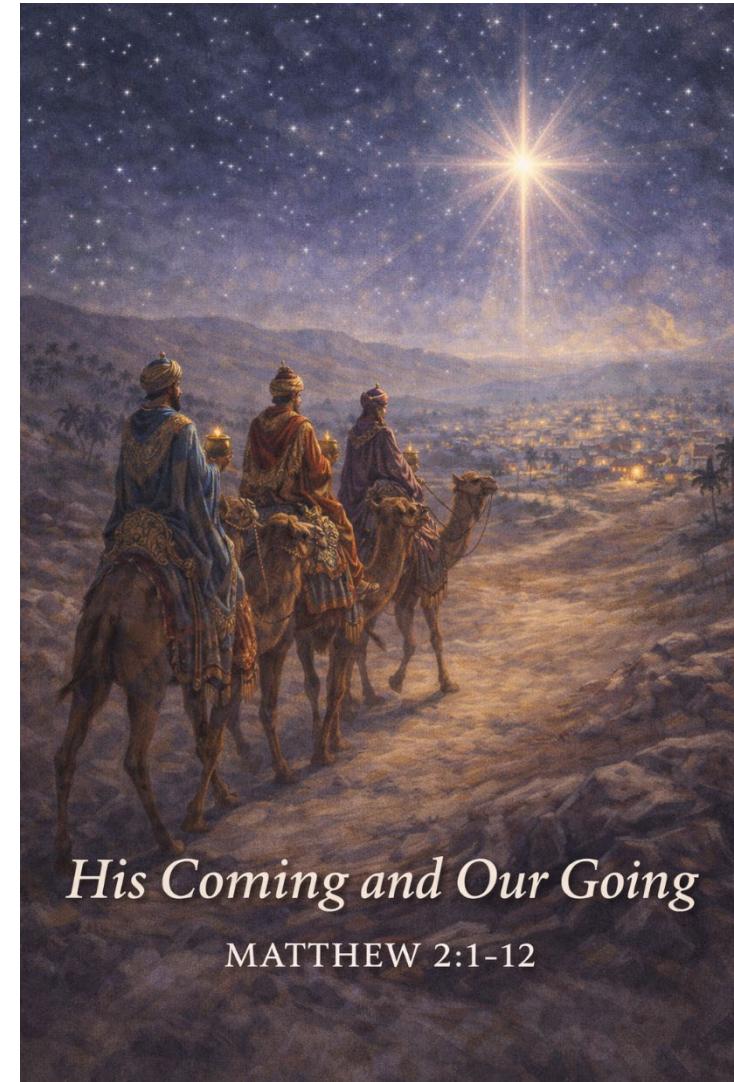
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*His Coming and Our Going*

MATTHEW 2:1-12

Our Christian Worship of God  
January 4, 2026  
Enter to Worship, Depart to Serve

Epiphany Sunday

The Prelude  
The Chiming of the Hour  
The Call to Worship

\*The Hymn No. 254  
The Invocation

The Anthem

“Bless the Lord, O My Soul”

“We Three Kings”

“Sans Day Carol”

\*The Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy  
Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,  
dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into  
heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence  
he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the  
holy catholic\* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the  
resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. \*universal**

\*The 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.

The Scripture Lesson

Matthew 2:1-12

Minister: The Lord be with you.  
People: **And also with you**  
Minister: Let us pray.

The Pastoral Prayer

The Welcome and Announcements  
The Children's Church  
(Children 3 years old through 5<sup>th</sup> grade dismiss to Children's Church with Mrs. Jessica.)

Liturgical Color: White

Hopson

arr. Rutter

No 881

The Offering

Offertory “Go, Tell It on the Mountain”  
\*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

**“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. Amen”**

arr. Hayes

No 95

The Sermon

“His Coming and Our Going”

The Prayer of Christian Discipleship

Rev. Tresco Shannon

A Service of Word and Table II

Invitation  
Confession and Pardon (in unison)  
The Great Thanksgiving  
The 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not  
into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Breaking the Bread Receive Communion by intinction and go to the chancel rail for private prayer  
with formal dismissal

\*The Hymn No. 698 “God of the Ages”

\*The Benediction, by the Minister

\*The Choral Response and Recessional

**Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me; let there be peace on earth,  
the peace that was meant to be. With God our creator, children all are we. Let us  
walk with each other in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me, let this be the  
moment now. With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow: to take each  
moment and live each moment in peace eternally. Let there be peace on earth, and  
let it begin with me.**

\*The Chiming of the Trinity

\*The Postlude

\*indicates worshippers are invited to stand if able