

Prelude

Welcome &amp; Announcements

Darcy Young

\*Praise Songs

\*Call to Worship

Mike Ripple

Leader: Come! Let's worship God, who makes and keeps covenant.

**People: Come! See the sign of God's promise in rainbow and rhythm.**

Leader: Come! Let's worship Almighty God!

**People: Hallelujah! You are our Lord! Amen!**

\*Hymn: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

UMH 400

Prayer

Mike Ripple

**Dear Lord, I come to You today asking for guidance. I need Your help finding my way. Please open my eyes and heart to the direction You want me to take. Help me to make wise decisions that will lead me closer to Your path for my life. Give me the strength and courage to persevere when times are difficult. Lead me with Your truth and love so I may live a life that brings glory to Your name. Thank You for Your guidance and protection. We pray in the name of Jesus, our shepherd. Amen.**

Children's Moment

Darcy Young

Anthem:

Scripture Reading: Matthew 2:1-12

Mike Ripple

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in the territory of Judea during the rule of King Herod, magi came from the east to Jerusalem. <sup>2</sup>They asked, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We've seen his star in the east, and we've come to honor him." <sup>3</sup>When King Herod heard this, he was troubled, and everyone in Jerusalem was troubled with him. <sup>4</sup>He gathered all the chief priests and the legal experts and asked them where the Christ was to be born. <sup>5</sup>They said, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for this is what the prophet wrote:

<sup>6</sup> *You, Bethlehem, land of Judah,**by no means are you least among the rulers of Judah,**because from you will come one who governs,**who will shepherd my people Israel."*

<sup>7</sup>Then Herod secretly called for the magi and found out from them the time when the star had first appeared. <sup>8</sup>He sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search carefully for the child. When you've found him, report to me so that I too may go and honor him." <sup>9</sup>When they heard the king, they went; and look, the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stood over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup>When they saw the star, they were filled with joy. <sup>11</sup>They entered the house and saw the child with Mary his mother. Falling to their knees, they honored him. Then they opened their treasure chests and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. <sup>12</sup>Because they were warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they went back to their own country by another route.

Message: When it's Time to Seek Direction

Pastor Sung Ho Lee

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastor Sung Ho Lee

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, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

The People Bring Their Gifts

The baskets will be passed or you may use the UMCL app

The People Offer Praise

\*"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

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The People Go into The World

\*Hymn: "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" UMH 344 (vv. 1,2)

\*Benediction

Postlude