

Message "Being the Light" Rev. Beverly A. Spore

◇ Service of Holy Communion # 12

◇ Invitation and Confession

◇ Passing the Peace of Christ

◇ Offering and Doxology

◇ ❖ The Great Thanksgiving

◇ ❖ The Lord's Prayer

◇ Sharing of the Bread and Cup (Kneeling at the Altar Rail)

◇ Prayer after Communion

Almighty God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have revealed yourself to us.

Send us out into the world

to see and bear witness to your revelation in all things,
and invite all to come, taste and see your saving power;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

◇ ❖ Closing Hymn "The First Noel" # 245

◇ ❖ Benediction

◇ ❖ Community Blessing "Emmanuel, Emmanuel" # 204

Postlude

Readers for today: 8:30 a.m. ~ Pat Smail
11:00 a.m. ~ Ed Lingenfelter

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As the music begins, be silent, be thoughtful, and be reverent, for this is the House of the Lord. Before the service, speak to the Lord. During the service, let the Lord speak to you. After the service, speak to one another.

- PRAYER REQUEST CARDS are in the pew racks and will be collected during the opening hymn.
- The NURSERY is available upstairs in the Educational Building for parents who feel the need to take their children there.
- ACTIVITY BAGS are available in the Overflow Area for those children who wish to remain in the service.
- EVERYONE – Please sign the attendance pads at the end of each pew and pass to your neighbor. If the LAST person at the end of the row would PLEASE pass it back to where it originally started, it will be greatly appreciated.
- VISITORS – We hope you will join us again!



Leechburg First United Methodist Church
"Growing, Loving & Serving in Christ's Name"

January 6, 2019
8:30a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Epiphany Sunday

❖ Congregation please stand, if able ~ ❖ Denotes for 8:30am service

Jesus said to the people who believed in him, "You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings." John 8:31

❖ Welcome and Announcements

Happy Birthday

❖ ❖ Opening Carol "We Three Kings" # 254

❖ Call to Worship

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem,
wise men came from the East, saying:
Where is he who is born king of the Jews?

**For we have seen his star in the East,
and have come to worship him.**

The wonderful light of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

❖ Opening Prayer

**Bright Morning Star,
your light has come,
and the birth of Jesus
has overwhelmed us with joy.
Like the magi of long ago,
may we be drawn to you
and offer you such gifts as we are able. Amen.**

Children's Message Rev. Beverly A. Spore

❖ Canticle of Light and Darkness # 204

You are the light of the world; be light in our darkness, O Christ.

**You are the light of the world; be light in our darkness,
O Christ.**

We look for light but find darkness,
For brightness, but walk in gloom.
We grope like those who have no eyes;
We stumble at noon as in the twilight.

**You are the light of the world; be light in our darkness,
O Christ.**

If I say, "Let only darkness cover me,
And the light about me be night,"
Even the darkness is not dark to you,
The night is bright as the day,
For darkness is as light with you.
**You are the light of the world; be light in our darkness,
O Christ.**

Blessed be your name, O God, for ever.
You reveal deep and mysterious things;
You are light and in you is no darkness.
Our darkness is passing away
And already the true light is shining.

**You are the light of the world; be light in our darkness,
O Christ.**

❖ Morning Prayer

❖ Scripture Reading **Isaiah 60:1-6**

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.
For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.

Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.

Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.