

First Presbyterian Church of Rolla

Worship Service on Epiphany

January 10, 2021

Welcome

Prelude: *Peace in My Soul* – Lani Smith

Call to Worship

Arise, shine; for your light has come.
Behold the glory of the Lord. Alleluia!

Prayer of the Day

**God of every nation,
by the light of a wondrous star
you led wandering magi to the humble infant Jesus,
revealing to them your salvation for the world.
In the miraculous and the mundane,
in union with all who have glimpsed the light of your grace,
lead us to Christ,
that we may offer our worship
and serve him with sincerity of heart;
for he lives with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever. Amen.**

Hymn: *As With Gladness Men of Old*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, Light of the world,
we confess that we have not resisted the darkness of sin.
You deliver the poor and the helpless,
but we have ignored their cry.
You take pity on the weak and the destitute,
but our hearts are hard in the face of their need.
You heal the wounded and save the oppressed
but we have placed our trust in the callous violence of war.
Forgive us, we pray.
Awaken in us sincere repentance
that we may shine with the light of your saving grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Declaration of Forgiveness

Old Testament: Isaiah 60:1-6

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon: The Value of Showing Up

Prayers of Intercession and Traditional Lord's Prayer

Gracious God, **Lord of Light, hear our prayer.**

Hymn: *What Star Is This, With Beams So Bright*

Charge and Blessing

Postlude: *To God Be the Glory* – Larry Shackley

Scriptures are read from the NRSV translation. Music performed by Lorie Francis and Jeff Sandquist. Worship led by Rev. Lou Ellen Hartley. Portions of the service drawn from Feasting on the Word, used by permission.