

Bethel United Methodist Church

"Seeking The Life In Grace As The Way Of Life"

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MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

Christine Calcagno

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Epiphany #255

God,
You made of one blood all nations,
and, by a star in the East,
revealed to all peoples Him
Whose name is Emmanuel.
Enable us who know Your presence with us
so to proclaim His unsearchable riches
that all may come to His light
and bow before the brightness of His rising,
Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
now and for ever. Amen.

* PRAISE & WORSHIP

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Let us give thanks to the God and Father of Lord Jesus Christ, the merciful Father, the God from whom all help comes. Amen
2 Corinthians 1:3

*"He Is Here"
The Lord's Prayer*

*HYMN "We Three Kings"

#245

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

* DOXOLOGY

* HYMN "The First Noel"

#254

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 13:44-46; John 3:16

MESSAGE: "The Pearl"

Phillip Brown

* HYMN "Forward Through the Ages"

#555

PRAYER OF UNITY

We pray, O God, in the power of the Holy Spirit,
that you will keep us in your love, as we wait for our
Lord Jesus Christ in His mercy to give us eternal life.

Jude 20-21

* BENEDICTION

"Bind Us Together"

Magrey and Jessica are in Minnesota today, visiting Jessica's family for the holidays. I hope you will join us in welcoming them back next week. In Magrey's absence, communion will not be served today but will be a part of next week's service.

We will also be having our regular monthly covered dish dinner following next week's service. Please plan on joining us for this time of fellowship.

* Please Stand if Able