

# Hilton United Methodist Church

January 7, 2018 Epiphany Sunday, 2018 at 10:00 am

## We Gather to Worship

Prelude

Mrs. Pat Johnson

Call to Worship

Rev. Jennifer Green

One: In the midst of unemployment, debt, illness, all the hardships of life,  
why have you come to worship?

Many: **We come because Isaiah reminds us  
that no suffering or pain can separate us from God.**

One: I hear the Prophet calling, "Arise, shine for your light has come!"  
I'm ready for that bright light from God to light my way.  
We see that light in Jesus, God-with-Us,  
and we recognize that light in our lives, too:  
We are all created in God's image:  
God's light was born in us as we breathed our first breath.

Many: **We come to worship to connect God's light in us to God's light in Christ,  
and so illumine the world.**

One: What a reason to worship!  
How do we recognize that light?  
In compassion for all, in justice for the poor,  
in welcome for the stranger, we shine God's light into the world.  
So come let us bring the joys and hardships of life to worship  
and celebrate that God's light is already with us and within us.

*God's Light Within Us: Prayers for the Festival of Epiphany* was written by the Rev. Dr. Ginny Brown Daniel

\* Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" UMH # 64

Unison Prayer

Mrs. Sharon Miller, Lay Liturgist

Gracious and all loving God, you call to us across deep waters and dark places.  
Yours is the light which guides us and the voice which we follow.  
We pray that you would reveal yourself to us as we worship you.  
May those without hope be encouraged; those who are sad, cheered;  
those who are seeking, find you; and may all things be according to your will.  
In the name of your beloved Son we pray. Amen.

~ written by Rev. Richard J. Fairchild

## Experiencing God Through God's Word

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 60: 1-6 p 528 lp 1155  
L: This is the Word of God for the people of God  
P: Thanks be to God.

The Word for Children

*Children ages 6-12 may now be dismissed for Youth Worship in the Youth Room*

Special Music

Dr. Bob Blackburn

\* Gospel Lesson Matthew 2: 1-12 p 681 lp 1497  
L: This is the Word of God for the people of God  
P: Thanks be to God.

Message: "Light and Darkness" Rev. Jennifer Schaus Green

## We Respond to God's Word

\* Hymn: "We Three Kings" UMH # 254

Prayers of the People

Silent Prayer and Personal Confession

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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| <i>God, I thank you for....<br/>God, I need help with .....</i> |
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*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*

Giving to God

Offering our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

\* The Doxology *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;* UMH # 94  
*Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

We Go Forth to Serve God

\* Hymn: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" UMH # 103

Ministry Opportunities

The Benediction

Postlude

\* Stand in body or spirit; P = Bible page number, LP = Large Print Bible page;  
TFWS # = The Faith We Sing Hymnal (black); W&S # = Worship & Song Hymnal (green);  
UMH # = The United Methodist Hymnal (purple). **Bold** type = everyone responds

PRAYER CONCERNS:

**Our Mission Outreach Children:** Marbelly and Ariel Velasquez Alvarado  
(Chacocente Christian School in Managua, Nicaragua)

**Residents of Care Facilities:** Ron Davies (Beikirch); Gloria Hamm (Hilton East);  
Eleanor Harrington (Unity Villages); Betty Schultz (Unity Cottages).

**Ongoing Health Concerns:** Allan Blossom; Betty Bridenbaugh; Ann Cook; Alea  
Floyd; Pat Green; Andrew Hardy; Nancy Murphy; Michele List; Wayne Miller; Dan  
Rickman; Lauren Slagle; Linda Smith; Dave Walton; Chris Wanjon.

**Service people:** Sgt. Michael T. Bigley; GYSgt. Jason Brackley; Sgt. FC David  
Colucci; Airman Scott Eveleigh; Spc Alex Joss-Forbes; Capt Scott Fuller; Cpl. Adam  
Gaines; Sgt. Matthew Gaines; Sgt. Annika Moody; LtC. Jathan Payne; Spc Ron  
Rafferty; Maj Nathan Thompson; Sr Airman Steven Trembley; Sgt. Cody Wise.

\* People are added and removed from our ongoing prayer list upon request. Please  
contact the church office to Add, Reinstate or Remove names.

**Our sympathies are extended** to Marj Earnhart and the entire Earnhart/Cook family  
upon the death of Marj's mom, Ann Cook, on January 5, 2018. May you feel God's  
comfort all around you.



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*Following Christ ☆ Connecting Generations ☆ Transforming Communities*

**Welcome to worship.** We pray you feel God's presence in this place.

- If you need hearing assistance, please see an usher for a hearing device.
- Please sign the attendance pad so we may get to know you and pray for you and your family.
- Following worship, please consider joining us for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall, which is located down the stairs near the entrances

**We would like to thank** everyone for the generous Christmas gift. It is an honor and privilege to be your pastor and pastoral family. We appreciate each and everyone and the blessing you are to our lives. We look forward to another year of "doing life" with one another and serving Jesus. In Christ, Pastor Jennifer, Troy, Will, Trent, Nick, and Kate

**Pastor Jennifer will be away** for the next two weeks as she travels to the Holy land with Bishop Webb and several other clergy. While she is away, Rev Kurt Traugutt (354-8825) of the Parma Greece United Church of Christ will be on call for pastoral emergencies. Feel free to contact him directly or call the church office (392-8761) or Pat Van Vleck (355-1035) if you have pastoral needs. We will also be blessed to have two guest preachers while Rev. Green is away. Mr. Bob Galvin (Christy Sadecki's dad) will be preaching on 1/14 and our Youth Director, Joe Neri, will be leading worship on 1/21.

#### **Visitations:**

- Call the church when someone enters the hospital or is discharged or if you, or someone you know, desire a pastoral call. This will help provide better pastoral care and avoid unnecessary trips.
- Arrangements for the Sacrament of Holy Communion are encouraged. Both Pastor and the Lay Visitation Ministry Team visit regularly and would be happy to include others in the visitation schedule.
- If you are in need of urgent or emergency pastoral care, and no one is in the church office, 392-8761, you may call Pastor's cell #716-560-5204. Always make sure to leave a clear message with your name & phone number. If it is after 9:00pm and before 6:00 am please call her home phone 392-8094.

Pastor Jennifer is always available for counsel on many life issues. If you have this need, but would rather not meet in the office, please feel free to text or call her cell phone: 716-560-5204. She is always willing to arrange to meet at another location within or even outside the church building.

**Friendly Reminder from Trustees:** When using any of our rooms, please put the room back to the way it should be (not necessarily the way you found it.). Thank you!

**Sharing Suppers** – invite a friend or neighbor to come join you for dinner this coming Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm. We will be having chicken and biscuits. This is a free meal and open to anyone in the public.

#### **Staff at HUMC**

Pastor: Rev. Jennifer Green  
Office Mngr: Patricia Van Vleck  
Music Director: Christy Sadecki  
Youth Coord.: Joe Neri  
Nursery: Amy Quartieri  
Custodian: Bill Schubert

#### **Communion Servers:**

Sue Sutherland; Carol DeNeve  
Jim McBride; Barb Hare  
Bob & Karen Blank

#### **Disciples Active in Worship This Week**

Head Usher: Jim Lee  
Greeters: Ed & Pat Holenbeck  
Guides: Sam & Sue Emmerson  
Nursery Ass't: Madison Grover  
Coffeeshour: Janet LaBorie & Deb Bunt  
Soundbooth: Bob Comstock  
Worship Coord.: Scott Campbell  
Financial Sec.: Sally Lee

#### **This Week:**

Today: **Worship @ 10am**  
Coffee hour and fellowship time in the Fellowship Hall downstairs  
Disciple Bible Study - 11:30 am 2 South

Monday: Prayer Group at 9:15am  
**Trustees 6:30pm Library**

Tuesday: Friendship Circle 7pm at Marj Earnhart's 663 Moul Rd

Wednesday: Friendly Quilters - 9am Fellowship Hall  
Choir Rehearsal 7pm  
**Church Council 7:00pm – 2 South**

Thursday: Bible Study Lunch  
Lighthouse Youth Group 6:30pm

Friday: AA – FH 7pm

Saturday: Help un-decorate the Sanctuary – 10am  
**Sharing Supper 5:30-6:30pm Fellowship Hall**

Sunday: **Worship @ 10am**  
Coffee hour and fellowship time  
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No Finance Team meeting this month. The next meeting is Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**Genesee Valley District UMC Training Day** will be on Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at Asbury First UMC on East Ave in Rochester. There are several workshops available. Please check it out by visiting the event at <https://goo.gl/XUsgT4>

Cost is \$20 and includes lunch. Please see Pat Van Vleck if you have any questions.

This is the QR code for registration

