

Offertory: *In The Bleak Midwinter*

Holst
arr. by Alexander

***Christmas Doxology**

Glory be to God the Father, glory be to Christ the Son,
Glory to the Holy Spirit, glory to the Three-in-One.
Here we offer to you gladly all the gifts that you impart,
As we glory in your Presence, giving from a grateful heart.

Trad. Polish melody

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

***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, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Going Out To Love and Serve

***Hymn:** *Go, Tell It On The Mountain*, UMH 251

***Dismissal with Blessing**

Postlude: *Swiss Noel, with Variations*

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Serving Today:

Ushers: 8:30 Jim Crittenden, Nathan Jones, Bill Brady and James Watkins
9:00
11:15

Greeter: 8:30
9:00
11:15

Acolytes: 8:30: Lindzee Burnett 11:15:

Acolytes for August 24: 8:30 11:15:



Welcome To *Warwick Memorial United Methodist Church*



First Sunday After Christmas December 28, 2014

Sanctuary Service

Order of Worship for December 28, 2014

8:30 am and 11:15 am

Gathering For Praise

Centering Music: *The Three Kings*

based on a melody by Hopkins
arr. by Young

Greeting

Call to Worship

Lord, this year, we will follow the Star of Bethlehem.

Too long we've gone the wrong way Followed the wrong stars!

We went South following movie stars, greed, and lust.

Star of Wonder...

We went East following stars of militarism, nationalism, and war.

Star of Light...

We even went North following our own visions, our own intuition, and our own way.

Star with Royal Beauty Bright...

Lord, this year, we will follow the Star of Bethlehem.

The Star of Hope.

The Star of Peace.

The Star of Joy.

The Star of Love.

The Star that is You.

* Hymn of Praise: *Joy to the World, The Lord Is Come!* UMH 246

Morning Prayer:

God with us, God revealed in us,

God come to us, Emmanuel:

Long hidden within our heart's barren womb;

Too often explained away by our mind's idol of reason; and so many moments kept captive in our soul's chains of doubt.

Show forth among us, Bread of Life!

Be manifest here this day, Cup of Salvation!

Great God of the Epiphany, this day reveal your salvation
to the poor who hunger for your nourishment,
to the seekers who travel across deserts for your drink,
to us gathered here, who desire you.

**Great God of the Epiphany, this day reveal your salvation
Through the one who saves us, Jesus Christ, Amen**

How Are We Changing Lives?

11:15 Anthem: *Star of David, A Christmas Medley*

Kevin Moorehead

Hearing God's Word

Children's Time

Mary Ellen Cochran

As the children return to their seats, all are invited to join in singing: **"This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer and song: This is where children belong.** (FWS 2233)

Prayer for Illumination

By the breath of your Spirit inspire us,
That in the hearing of your Word
We may be filled with new understanding
And fresh desire to place You in all we do,
For the sake of your Son, Jesus. **Amen**

Scripture: Matthew 2:2-12

Sermon: By A Different Road

Peggy Langille

Responding in Faith

Sermon Response

8:30 Anthem: *Star of David, A Christmas Medley*

Kevin Moorehead

Hymn: *We Three Kings*, UHM 254

Dedication of Tithes, Offerings and Commitments