

*“Perhaps we too can be called wise by taking that inward journey to the Bethlehem of our hearts where the spirit of Christ dwells.” ~Lindy*

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

### *EPIPHANY OF THE LORD*

Rev. John Lutz, Senior Pastor

Jerry Hill, Worship Assistant

January 6, 2013

8:00 & 9:30 a.m.

Prelude

Welcome & Greeting One Another

*(Please sign the attendance pad and pass it down the aisle. Stand and greet the people around you and welcome them into our circle of faith today.)*

\*Opening Hymn “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly” 229

\*Opening Act of Worship

Leader: The church is the place where the broken gather:

**People: Let us worship God who reconciles us to one another and to God.**

Leader: The church is the place where sinners are welcome:

**People: Let us worship God who, with forgiving hands, shapes us into new people.**

Leader: The church is the place where the lost, the least, the forgotten, the ignored gather:

**People: Let us worship God who looks at us with the eyes of love.**

\*Gloria Patri “Glory Be To the Father” 70

Life of the Church

✠Prayers of the People ✠The Lord’s Prayer

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

\*Offertory Response “Doxology” 95

\*Offertory Prayer [unison]

***Holy God of love and light, like moths drawn to flame, the world is drawn to the radiance of Your Son, the Prince of Peace and the holy embodiment of love. All***

***are drawn by our deepest need to be led out of the darkness. We know that Christ is the source of that light, and we pray this morning that not just in our worship but in our giving we might be those who are able to punch holes in the darkness that afflicts so many. Use these gifts so that the light of Your Son might reach the farthest dark corners of this world, and also those who are so very close. For we pray this in the blessed name of the Christ child. Amen.***

\*Hymn “Once in Royal David’s City” 250

The Scripture Lesson Luke 2: 25-35 (p. 725 in the pew Bible)

The Message **“Every Day Is Christmas Day”** Anthony Vigile

\*Closing Hymn “Go Tell It on the Mountain” 251

\*Affirmation of Faith “The Apostles’ Creed” 881

\*Benediction

Postlude

*\*If able, please stand to worship God*

***We welcome YOU to our worship service this morning. If you are visiting our church for the first time, we extend you a special greeting. (Please inform us of your complete name and address on the Fellowship Pad or in the Guest Book.) We invite you to enter into our worship wholeheartedly. Sing out! Listen intently to God’s Word! Be open to promptings of the Holy Spirit! And after the service, give us a chance to talk with you and invite you back! We look forward to your worshipping with us again.***

## ABOUT THIS WORSHIP SERVICE ...

**Altar Flowers** today are Dedicated to the Glory of God In Memory of Winifred Hewitt MacKay.

**Sanctuary Flowers** are Dedicated to the Glory of God In Loving Memory of “Daddy,” Lawrence W. Robinson, by Betty Bunting.

**Morning Greeters** today are, at the 8:00 service, Erika Paton; and at the 9:30 service, Paul & Jackie Hansen.

**Ushers** today at the 8:00 service are Tim Eick & Tom Romspert; and at the 9:30 service, The Hansen Family.

**Prayer Chain No. 1 is in effect this week.** Please call Cynthia Schick, 215-968-2072, for prayer requests and praise for answered prayers.

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### Worship Services

#### **Traditional**

8:00 & 9:30 a.m.

#### **Contemporary**

11:00 a.m.

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