

PRESERVICE MUSIC"In Christ Alone"
WELCOMEJim Loeffler
INVOCATION
PRELUDE"We Three Kings"
PRAISE SONGS"Glorious Day"
"In Christ Alone"
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
OFFERING A PRAYER OF OUR GIFTS & THANKS TO GOD
THE LORD'S PRAYER
HYMN #254"We Three Kings'
SERMONPastor Keith
"The Epiphany – Good News for <b>ALL</b> People"
Matthew 2:1-12
SONG OF RESPONSE""We Are"
BENEDICTION/BLESSING
EXIT SONG"Hear Our Praises"

## Matthew 2:1-12 - "The Epiphany - Good News for ALL People"



After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem <sup>2</sup> and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." <sup>3</sup> When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. <sup>4</sup>When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. <sup>5</sup> "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written: 6 "But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel."

<sup>7</sup> Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup> He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him."

<sup>9</sup> After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. <sup>11</sup> On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. <sup>12</sup> And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.



If you can, please join us on Sunday, January 3 to take down the Christmas Decorations directly after worship.

## REMINDER: COVID-19 Protocols!

With the increasing guidelines from the State of Pennsylvania we must continue to be perseverant and aware of our compliance with these rules. For the safety and well-being of ALL of those choosing to worship with us 'in-person' we ask that everyone who attends 'in-person' worship be aware and follow these rules:

- 1) Masks and distancing apply to **ALL** (that includes the parking lot).
- 2) Post-service lingerings and gatherings in the narthex must be avoided.
- 3) Family units with children and that reside under one roof may sit together. Otherwise, sitting groups must be limited to no more than 4 people.



### Live-streaming of the services can be seen on . . .

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- ❖ You Tube @ south harborcreek umc
- **❖** Website: southharborcreekumc.org
- **❖ SHUMC app**



*In-house Sunday school!* Kids ages 4 yrs. to 5<sup>th</sup> grade are back in Sunday school again. Drop your child off at the lower west side entrance – after worship, pick them up where you dropped them off. Remember masks & all other safety protocol will be followed.

Look for the Children's Sermon with Adrianne Morton on You Tube each week. Her topics will go along with Pastor Keith's sermons on Sunday.

#### **IN-PERSON BIBLE STUDIES in the Multi-purpose Room:**

- Monday evenings @ 6:00 p.m. with Sue Fuller a Bible study for young mothers. If you'd like to join the group give Sue a call at 969-1649.
- Tuesday mornings @ 9:30 a.m. with Elna Morton. They are studying "Stories Jesus Told, How to Read the Parables" by Greg Carev.
- Wednesday mornings at 11 am "The Battle Plan for Prayer" with Pastor Keith. The book is \$10 and you can contact the church office to purchase one.



# We miss you! Are you ready for worship?!!

We will, of course, be in full compliance with CDC Guidelines: Limiting our Capacity

Face Masks Social Distancing Temperature Check Sanitizing & Disinfecting