The Lord's Prayer Insert/UMH # 895
Sermon Song "The First Noel" UMH #245

Offering

\* The Doxology UMH # 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\* Sending Song "Joy to the World" UMH # 246

\*Sending Prayer

\*Benediction Numbers 6:24-26

Announcements/Dismissal/Postlude

Calendar		
Today	9:00 am	Sunday Worship at KUMC
	10:00 am	Coffee Fellowship at KUMC -
	10:30 am	Sunday School / Adult Bible Study
	11:00 am	Sunday Worship at Pleasant Corners UMC
	6:00 pm	Confirmation Class
Coming Up This Week - NO SCHOOL K-M		
Tues Dec 24	5:30 pm	Christmas Eve Service at Pleasant Corners
	7:30 pm	Christmas Eve Service at KUMC
Wed Dec 25	Have a Very Merry & Blessed Christmas!!	
Sun Dec 29		No Sunday School

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## "The Magi, Embracing God's Plan"



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December 22, 2019

Worship at Kasson 9:00 a.m. Worship at Pleasant Corners 11:00 a.m.

Welcome to Worship! Fourth Sunday in Advent

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\*means please stand as you are able

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#### **Prelude**

\*Praise Song

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

UMH#238

Choir Selections

"King's Bell Carol"

by Patrick M. Lieberger

"Carol of the Little Angel"

by Don Besig & Nancy Price

### **Advent Reading/Candle Lighting**

Newell Family

Leader: Matthew chapter two shares with us the story of the Magi who visited Jesus when He was a boy. The message in this chapter is about who Jesus is, His glory, His majesty, His blessing to all the earth that is revealed on Easter, all shown while Jesus is yet a child. Matthew 2:1-12 says:

People: Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, 'Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him.'

Leader: When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Gathering together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They said to him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for this is what has been written by the prophet:'

People: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the leaders of Judah; for out of you shall come forth a ruler who will shepherd My people Israel.

Leader: Then Herod secretly called the magi and determined from them the exact time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem and said, 'Go and search carefully for the Child; and when you have found Him, report to me, so that I too may come and worship Him.'

People: After hearing the king, they went their way; and the star, which they had seen in the east, went on before them until it came and stood over the place where the Child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. After coming into the house they saw the Child with Mary His mother; and they fell to the ground and worshipped Him. Then, opening their treasures, they presented to Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Leader: And having been warned by God in a dream not to return to Herod, the magi left for their own country by another way.

Leaders light the fourth Advent candle and exit the alter as the congregation sings "We Three Kings" vs. 1, 5 UMH #254

\*Greeting One Another and Passing of the Friendship Pads Sharing of Blessing and Concerns

### **Prayer of Confession**

UMH # 892

Our heavenly Father, who by your love has made us, and through your love has kept us, and in your love would make us perfect: We humbly confess that we have not loved you with all our heart and soul and mind and strength, and that we have not loved one another as Christ has loved us. Your life is within our souls, but our selfishness has hindered you. We have not lived by faith. We have resisted your Spirit. We have neglected your inspirations. Forgive what we have been; help us to amend what we are; and in your Spirit direct what we shall be; that you may come into the full glory of your creation, in us and in all the people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All pray in Silence

Leader: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. If any one sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the expiation for our sins, and not for ours only but for the sins of the whole world.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Children's Message** "Gift Giving in the Bible" Pastor Jake **Apostles Creed** Insert/UMH # 881

Scriptures Matthew 2:1-4; Micah 5:2

Jeremiah 23:5; Numbers 24:17

Matthew 2:5-12

Sermon "The Magi, Embracing God's Plan"

Pastor Jacob Hanson