

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27



Words of Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Wendy Witt, First UMC West Dundee

HYMN #2095 (TFWS)

Star-Child Vocal Ensemble — Jenna Hesseln, Patti Mangis,

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Matthew Johnson, Associate Pastor BUMC

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Chris Winkler, Senior Pastor BUMC

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

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.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 2: 1-12 Linda Snyder

The Visit of the Wise Men

2 In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ² asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵ They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

6'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."

⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸ Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." ⁹ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹ On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹² And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

SERMON

 $\mbox{``Seeing the Light''}$

Pastor Matthew Johnson, Associate Pastor BUMC

ANTHEM

Welcome to Our World Suzanne Bible, soprano soloist

Chris Rice

CHARGE/BENEDICTION

Pastor Matthew Johnson, Associate Pastor BUMC

Postlude

MUSICIANS:

Michael Rees, Organist Patti Mangis, Pianist Patti Mangis, Soloist on 'Star Child' Suzanne Bible, Soloist on 'Welcome to Our World'

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