

# *Celebration of Worship*

## *Season of Epiphany*

January 12, 2020

9:30 A.M.

We welcome you to worship. Nursery & toddler care is available if you need it. The Young are welcomed to the front early on for a special time in the service. Please sign the Friendship Pads so that we can get to know you better, and join us for coffee in the Narthex after the service.

### **Words of Faith and Life**

*“The truth is that the suffering isn’t over just because Jesus has arrived. The truth is that sometimes it is even worse now because Jesus’ coming means the whole world has a decision to make – to bow and worship or to try to kill. And the truth is that sometimes that decision comes hard even for those of us who have worshipped him, because we would all rather prefer running our own kingdoms, just like Herod. And sometimes we resent another king in town... There are all kinds of pain after Christmas. But after Christmas something is dramatically different. It has to be. Because the Messiah has come. And like the magi, after Christmas we go home a different way too, because God is with us and we have seen him.*

Rev. James Van Tholen, *Where All Hope Lies*

### **God Invites Us to Worship**

WELCOME

RINGING THE CHURCH BELL

PRELUDE *Now the Green Blade Riseth* Arr. McCabe

STILLING: In silence, ask the Holy Spirit  
to help us center our thoughts and to worship God.

### **We Offer Praise**

WORDS IN PREPARATION

GOD’S PEOPLE PRAY TOGETHER

\* Please stand, if you are able.

\* HYMN OF WORSHIP & PRAISE *Once In Royal David’s City* # 49

### **God Speaks and Acts through the Word**

GOD BLESSES US AS WE BEGIN OUR WORSHIP

WORDS FOR THE YOUNG AND THE YOUNG AT HEART

*Children and Youth may leave for Sunday School*

PRAYER FOR GOD’S SPIRIT TO MOVE AMONG US

SCRIPTURE LESSON *Matthew 2:13-18*

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SERMON *Really? Why?*

Rev. Dr. Eileen Borduin Vanderzwan

PRAYER OF FAITH AND DEDICATION

\* HYMN *In Bethlehem a Newborn Boy*  
*Verse 1- Choir; Verses 2-5 - Congregation*

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### **God Speaks and Acts through the Sacrament We Come in Humility**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

FORGIVENESS DECLARED

#### **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you!

**And also with you!**

Lift up your hearts!

**We lift them up to the Lord!**

Let us give thanks to the Lord.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**The Invitation**

**The Institution**

**The Prayer of Consecration**

**We Share the Feast**

Please come forward to receive the bread and dip it in the cup.  
Gluten-free wafers are available at the station by the pulpit.

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

## **We Respond to God's Love**

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

PRAYER AND LAYING ON OF HANDS

WHITE ROSE DEDICATION: REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized* Tucker

Chancel Choir

Christ, when for us You were baptized, God's Spirit on You came,  
As peaceful as a dove and yet as urgent as a flame.

God called You "My beloved Son," the suffering servant true,  
Sent You the kingdom to proclaim, God's holy will to do.

Straightway and steadfast until death You then obeyed God's call  
Freely as Son of Man to serve and give Your life for all.

Baptize us with Your Spirit, Lord, Your cross on us be signed,  
That, likewise in God's service, we may perfect freedom find.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION, THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE

\* HYMN *How Firm a Foundation* # 361, verses 1-5

## **God Sends Us Out to Serve**

\* ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* GOD'S BLESSING AS WE GO OUT TO SERVE

\* POSTLUDE *Andante Moderato* Zipoi

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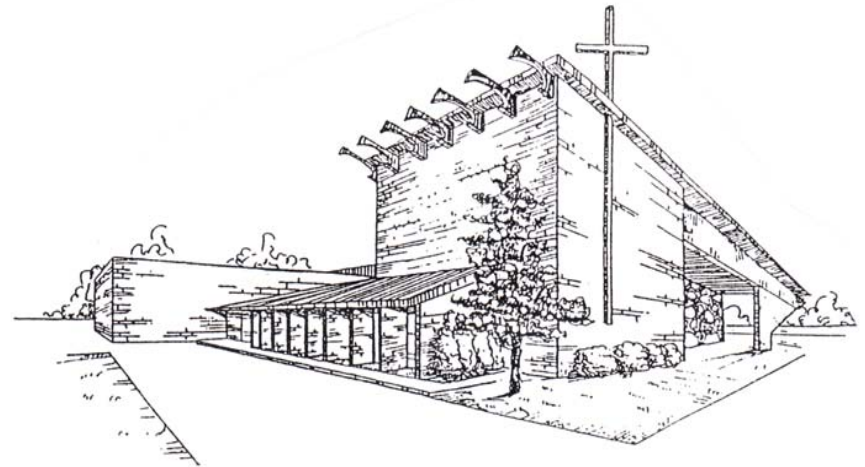
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*...that all may come*

*to know Jesus Christ,*

*to love Him,*

*to serve Him,*

*and to enjoy Him forever.*

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## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### Today, January 12 – Officer Installation & Ordination

#### Baptism of the Lord: Winter Communion White Rose Remembrance

- 8:00 A.M. Worship Service in the Chapel
- 9:00 A.M. Coffee and Fellowship in the Narthex
- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary – Nursery care provided
- 9:45 A.M. Sunday School for Children and Youth
- 10:00 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Adult Ed – Discussion with Rev. Eileen in the Sanctuary  
“Marriage Built to Last” video & discussion in Room 9/10  
Praise Ringers Rehearsal in the Memorial Room  
SHINE Children’s Program (Preschool - Grade 5) in the  
Basement SHINE Room
- 2:30 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 868 in the Memorial Room
- 3:00 P.M. Worship at Baywinde
- 5:00 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 617 in the Memorial Room

### Monday, January 13

- 9:00 A.M. Preschool in Rooms 3 - 6
- 10:30 A.M. Heritage Christian Services School in Room 9/10
- 6:30 P.M. Boy Scout Troop 262 in the Social & Basement Rooms
- 7:00 P.M. Garden Club in the Memorial Room  
Mission Committee Meeting in Room 9/10

### Tuesday, January 14

- 6:15 A.M. Men’s Study in the Memorial Room
- 9:00 A.M. Women’s Bible Study in the Chapel and Room 9/10  
Preschool in Rooms 3 - 6
- 5:00 P.M. TOPS in Room 9/10
- 6:00 P.M. Girl Scout Leaders Meeting in the Social Room
- 7:00 P.M. Cub Scout Committee Meeting in the Memorial Room  
Trustees Meeting in Room 9/10

### Wednesday, January 15

- 6:30 A.M. Men’s Breakfast/Bible Study at the Golden Boys Restaurant
- 9:00 A.M. Preschool in Room 3 - 6
- 10:30 A.M. Heritage Christian Services School in Room 9/10
- 3:30 P.M. Alzheimers’ Association in the Memorial Room
- 6:00 P.M. Supper & Scripture in the Social Room
- 7:00 P.M. Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary  
Boy Scout Committee in the Memorial Room  
Scout Troop 425 in the Basement Room

### Thursday, January 16

- 9:00 A.M. Flying Club in the Social Room  
Preschool in Rooms 3 - 6
- 9:15 A.M. Glory Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 10:30 A.M. Book Study in Room 1
- 6:30 P.M. Preschool Open House in Rooms 3-6

### Friday, January 17

- 9:00 A.M. Preschool in Rooms 3 – 6
- 10:00 A.M. Singles Group in Room 9/10
- 11:00 A.M. Small Group in Room 1
- 5:00 P.M. Phillips Village Dinner

### Saturday, January 18

- 9:00 A.M. Prayer Time in Room 1  
Youth leave for Winter Retreat  
ROC Ringers Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

### Sunday, January 19

- 8:00 A.M. Worship Service in the Chapel
- 9:00 A.M. Coffee and Fellowship in the Narthex
- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary – Nursery care provided
- 9:45 A.M. Sunday School for Children and Youth
- 10:00 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Adult Ed –Never Say Never Stables in the Sanctuary  
SHINE Children’s Program (Preschool - Grade 5) in the  
Basement SHINE Room

### Lectionary Passages

|               | <u>Today</u>           | <u>Next Sunday, January 19</u> |
|---------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Old Testament | <i>Isaiah 42:1-9</i>   | <i>Isaiah 49:1-7</i>           |
| Psalms        | <i>Psalms 29</i>       | <i>Psalms 40:1-11</i>          |
| New Testament | <i>Acts 10:34-43</i>   | <i>1 Corinthians 1:1-9</i>     |
| Gospel        | <i>Matthew 3:13-17</i> | <i>John 1:29-42</i>            |

### Memory Verse

“Be still and know that I am God.”  
*Psalms 46:10*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today. Visitors are invited to stop by the Welcome Center in the Narthex after the service to learn more about our fellowship.
2. THE FLOWERS today are an arrangement of white roses in remembrance of those from our church family who passed in 2019: June Stelianou, Marty Maryan, Wanda Partridge, Bob Cameron, Clara Van Thof, Dinah Wiggins, Helen Williams, and Marge Tice.
3. WE THANK our Confirmation Class serving as greeters and ushers, our welcomer Elaine Wilbert, and all our musicians for their participation in today's worship service.
4. ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES AT 11:00 include:  
Today -Discussion with Rev. Eileen in the Sanctuary: "Why does God allow these terrible things to happen?"  
-"Marriage Built to Last" video & discussion in Room 9/10  
Next Week -Mission: *Never Say Never Stables* in the Sanctuary
5. SHINE CHILDREN'S PROGRAM: following the 9:30 service, children in preschool through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to the SHINE Room (basement room under the Memorial Room) for STEAM week: circuit ball, exploration, shadow art, and tower challenge.
6. NEVER SAY NEVER STABLES: Plan to attend next Sunday's Adult Ed offering, featuring a presentation by Janice Hyde, owner of Never Say Never Stables, located right here in Webster. Hear her story and learn about the life-enriching horse-related and riding activities provided to children and teens living with long-term illnesses, special needs, or other serious life challenges.
7. WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER & SCRIPTURE resumes this Wednesday, January 15. Join us for supper and fellowship in the Social Room, followed by scripture, praise, and prayer. Groups and individuals are encouraged to sign up to help with the dinners or provide devotions.
8. WEBSTER PRESBYTERIAN PRESCHOOL invites families to our Open House for the 2020-21 school year this Thursday, January 16, from 6:30-8 p.m. You can register your child at the Open House. Mon/Thurs and Tues/Wed/Fri classes will be offered at 8:45-11 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.-2 p.m. Questions? Contact Laura Blair (265-1578).
9. OUR NEW 2020 OFFICE HOURS HAVE BEGUN. The Church Office will be open from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. from Monday through Thursday and closed on Fridays.
10. COME JOIN OUR NEW SMALL GROUP! We are meeting in Room 1 this Friday, January 17, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Connie Rice is leading.
11. THE 2020 ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING is hereby called by the Session of Webster Presbyterian Church to be held following the 9:30 Worship Service on Sunday, January 26, in the Social Room, for the purpose of:
  - 1) receiving & approving the Annual Reports of the governing bodies and organizations of the church,
  - 2) receiving & approving the proposed 2020 church budget,
  - 3) electing an elder for a one-year term, and
  - 4) bringing forward any other appropriate matters.
12. PLEDGE ENVELOPES are available on the table across from the church office. If you do not find a box with your name on it and would like envelopes, please see Georgia Hubbard in the Church Office.
13. THE FLOWER CHART has openings for next Sunday, January 19 and February 2, 9, and 16. If you wish to fund flowers to honor a special someone or a special date, please add your name to the chart across from the Christian Ed office. Ruth Fischer will contact you with details.
14. DO WE HAVE YOUR CORRECT EMAIL ADDRESS? We are moving toward email for most church communications (including the *Pathway*). Did you receive the "All Church Emails" sent out in December – such as for the Adult Christmas Party? If not, please send your correct email address to [office@websterpres.org](mailto:office@websterpres.org) and [kboard@websterpres.org](mailto:kboard@websterpres.org).
15. OUR DEDICATION OF THE NEW OUTDOOR SIGN and celebration of 50 years at this church site is tentatively scheduled for January 26. If you would like to help plan this event, please contact Pastor Larry.
16. VISITORS ARE NEEDED for our Friends at Home. If you wish to help, please contact Arlene Sahmel (425-2032) or Andrea Hock (467-8607) or call the church office to be matched up with a homebound friend.
17. NEED A YELLOW T-SHIRT? For supporters of the New Beginnings outreach (HOPE House, Phillip's Village Dinners, Meals on Wheels and Miracle Field/Challenger Baseball) yellow t-shirts are available in the Church Office. Maybe it's time to replace your grungy old one!



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