

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF ARROYO GRANDE

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 1, 2017

EPIPHANY SUNDAY

8:30 AM

NEW YEARS' DAY

Music by The Lord's Crew

Gathering

*OPENING PRAISE

All the People Said Amen

WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

*PRAISE

*We Fall Down
More Love More Power
We Three Kings*

*SHARING GOD'S PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing Joys & Concerns
Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Sharing and Responding to God's Word

SONG OF ILLUMINATION

To Bethlehem We Go

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 60:1-6
Matthew 2:1-12

SERMON

"BATTERIES NOT INCLUDED"
Rev. Mary B. Birgelaitis

OFFERING SONG

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

Words for Communion
Communion Song

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Going Forth to Serve

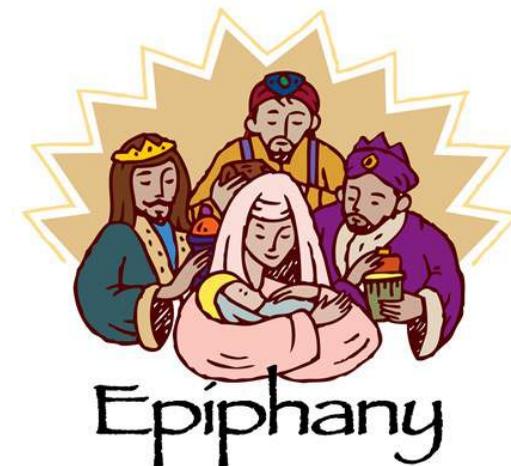
*FINAL BLESSING

Open Our Eyes

*CLOSING SONG

Shepherd's Rock

**Worshipers stand as able*





PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

PRAISE TEAM

Director, Mike Clark

Pianist, Dennis Eiler

Singers, Connie Clark, Chloe Keith,

Cristy Van Hook

Clarinet, Don Gugeler

Drummers, Mike Albertson, Mike Takanaka

Pastor, Rev. Mary Birgelaitis

Liturgist, Lucy Jacob

Sound, David Bauer

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EPIPHANY SUNDAY 10:30 AM
SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

“And now we welcome the new year, full of things that have never been.” —Rainer Maria Rilke

PRELUDE *God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen* arr. Dan Coates

INTROIT *He Is Born* No. 228

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Lift up your eyes.

We see the brightening dawn.

Lift your eyes to the heavens.

A star brightly shines.

Open up your minds.

Possibilities for the new year abound.

Open up your hearts.

Loving God, enter in.

*OPENING HYMN *Angels from the Realm of Glory* verses 1-3 No. 220

OPENING PRAYER

**With open hearts,
 we come to worship you, Holy Child.**

**With open minds,
 we come prepared to follow you
 in the new year ahead.**

**As this new day dawns,
 shine upon us with Christmas hope.**

**As this new year beckons,
 pour out your Spirit on all flesh,
 that the world might know your presence
 and the possibilities you offer
 each and every day. Amen.**

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Carolyn Russell

JOYS AND CONCERNS FROM THE PRAYER BOOK

A TIME OF PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly* verse 1 No. 229

Congregational Prayer/Lord’s Prayer

Choral Response *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly* verse 2 No. 229

SPECIAL MUSIC *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* No. 206

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 60:1-6
 Matthew 2:1-12

HYMN (*remain seated*) *What Child is This* No. 219

SERMON *“BATTERIES NOT INCLUDED”*
 Rev. Mary B. Birgelaitis

OFFERING

A Call to Stewardship

Offertory *We Three Kings* John Henry Hopkins, Jr.

*Doxology/Blessing of the Offering

*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.*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION Hymnal, page 15

Communion Music *Mary, Did You Know* Mark Lowry/Buddy Greene

*HYMN *Go Tell It on the Mountain* No. 251

BENEDICTION

Arise and shine for all to see.
Go forth and show love wherever you go.
Change with the Changemaker—
the One who leads us to new life,
and guides us every step of the way.

RESPONSE *Emmanuel, Emmanuel* No. 204

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel.
God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel.*

POSTLUDE *Good Christian Friends Rejoice* Traditional German Melody

**Worshippers stand as able.*

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Chancel Choir
Choir Director, Julie Burns
Pianist, Dennis Eiler
Sound Technician, David Bauer

Pastor, Rev. Mary Birgelaitis
Liturgist, David Beaman
Ushers, Bud Johnson, Betty Lorenz,
Guy Oates, Marj Wolters



THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

MONDAY, JANUARY 2ND

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

1:00 PM — NO EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY DUE TO FOOD BANK CLOSED

RE-OPENS ON JANUARY 9TH

7:00 PM— WOMEN OF PRAYER—S

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3RD

8:30 AM—SENIOR EXERCISE—CRISWELL HALL

9:00 AM—SEW’N’ SEWS + KNITTERS—MMR

11:00 AM—CHAIR YOGA—CRISWELL HALL

5:00 PM—GRANDE RINGERS—HANDBELL ROOM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4TH

8:30 AM—SENIOR EXERCISE—CRISWELL HALL

9:00 AM—CHURCH WORK DAY

5:00 PM—FREE DINNER—CRISWELL HALL

5:45 PM —BIBLE STUDY—CRISWELL HALL

7:00 PM—CHANCEL CHOIR—CRISWELL HALL

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5TH

8:00 AM—PEOPLE’S KITCHEN PREP—LEAVE TO SERVICE 11:15 AM

8:30 AM—SENIOR EXERCISE—CRISWELL HALL

10:00 AM—INTERCESSORY PRAYER—LIBRARY

5:00 PM—GRANDE RINGERS—HANDBELL ROOM

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6TH

SPIRIT DAY AT AGUMCC

8:30 AM —BIBLE STUDY—LIBRARY

4:00 PM—AGUMCC STAFF DEVELOPMENT—MMR

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7TH

10:00 AM —“UNHANGING” OF THE GREENS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8TH

8:30 AM—CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

1 0:30 AM—TRADITIONAL SERVICE

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JANUARY 1, 2017

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses’ arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, 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; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ‘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.’” Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. 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.” 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. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. 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. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.



Coffee Hour Today is hosted by

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Next Week's Coffee Hour
will be hosted by
CHURCH COUNCIL

*We thank you all for your
Service to our church!*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Josiah Paredes, Dec. 31st

Alex Paredes, Jan. 4th

from Nancy St. Laurent



The Angel Tree

A big thank you to our congregation for being so giving with our Angel Tree. Social Services is very grateful for our continuing support, which makes Christmas "special" for these foster children and other needy children. This year we supplied 55 gifts! Our congregation has "huge hearts" and is always willing to help others.

Blessings, and thank you to all. ~ Jan Treat



EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY

CLOSED JAN. 2nd

Due to the Food Bank being closed--so no food is available to distribute.

Chuck and Betty and their team of volunteers will be "on break".

Thank you to all of them for their dedicated service to those in need in our community.

FOOD PANTRY WILL RE-OPEN JAN. 9TH



SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY, JAN. 20TH 9:00 AM
QUARTERDECK RESTAURANT
BRANCH ST. (by K-Mart)

UMM MEETING

Join us to hear Col. Nichole Balliet from Camp Roberts speak on Camp Roberts and modern Army training. Her story includes two tours of duty in the Far East.

Breakfast Meeting; Order from the Menu
Ladies are invited.



*A special thank you to all
at UMC Arroyo Grande for
your generous giving to
our church of your
offerings and service.*

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

	8:30 AM	10:30 AM	TOTAL
Dec 4	32	94	126
Dec 11	30	75	105
Dec 18	44	118	162
Dec 24			176
Dec 25			44

OUR GIFTS

Weekly Offerings Budgeted: \$4,711	
Dec 4 Received:	\$9,176
Dec 11 Received:	\$4,269
Dec 18 Received:	\$4,899

Fiscal Year to Date Budgeted regular giving:
Fiscal Year to Date Received:

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Christmas Offering Budgeted
Christmas Offering Received

\$5,800
\$7,071

