

Responsive Hymn “We Three Kings” UMH 254 vs 1-3

Communion

Offertory

Doxology UMH 94

Prayer of Dedication

Closing Hymn

“He Shall Reign Forevermore” Chris Tomlin

*Benediction

Postlude



United Methodist Church

340 N Newell Ave, Minden, Nebraska
Order of Worship for January 4, 2026

Epiphany Sunday

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Welcome of Guests—Greeting—Sharing of Announcements—Invocation

1. End of the Year Statements are on the back table.
2. Single Board Structure Training January 11th at Shelton UMC at 11:30am or Grand Island First Faith at 3:00pm or January 12th at Hastings Grace at 6:30pm.
3. On Saturday January 10, 9-11am, at the Windmill there will be an appreciation open house for all our first responders. If you would like to show them your thanks, please attend and enjoy some coffee and delicious treats with them.
4. The carts are in the lobby for food pantry collection. There is a list on the table of needed items.
5. Check Bulletin board by office for activities.
6. If you'd like to volunteer as a helper during worship service please sign up on the sheet located at the back of the sanctuary.

January 4-10, 2025

Sunday

10:00am Worship

Monday

7:00pm Girl Scouts

Tuesday

Wednesday

Happy Birthday! Kent Verbeck
Happy Anniversary!! Mike & Jodi Boudreau—37 years

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Happy Birthday! Loneta Nolan

Last week we received offering of \$6,839.

Opening Hymn “Here I Am to Worship” W&S 3177

*Call to Worship

One: We gather as people looking for the star, a sign that God is at work in the world.

Many: God, help us find your glory.

One: We gather as people listening for the whispers of the Spirit, hints of the good news in the least likely places.

Many: God, help us notice your glory.

One: We gather as people yearning for Love’s presence, the assurance that we are not alone and Love will have the last word.

Many: God, help us encounter your glory.

One: On this Epiphany Sunday, may the Light of Love shine among us, revealing divine glory through neighbors known and unknown, vulnerable children, and unexpected gifts.

Many: God, reveal to us anew the glory of your expansive Love that gathers us together and sustains us in loving service to one another and all creation. Amen.

Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer of Confession

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Passing the Peace of Christ

Young Disciple’s Lesson

“Where Children Belong” TFWS 2233

Preparatory Hymn “The First Noel” UMH 245

Scripture Proclamation

Kent Verbeck

Matthew 2:1-12

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem 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.” When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. 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. “In Bethlehem in Judea,” they replied, “for this is what the prophet has written:

“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.”

Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. 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.” 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. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. 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. And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

Ephesians 1:13-14

You too heard the word of truth in Christ, which is the good news of your salvation. You were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit because you believed in Christ. The Holy Spirit is the down payment on our inheritance, which is applied toward our redemption as God’s own people, resulting in the honor of God’s glory.

The Word of God, for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Seeing the Light” Pastor Nancy Lambert