



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

Stephen Ministers serve because no one should have to suffer alone. If you need a Stephen Minister please call the church office for assistance. 843-884-9761

Operation Christmas Child

Would you like to join our awesome team? We'd love to have you! Just let Linda Rhyne or Nancy Blocker (or any member of the team) know and we will contact you.

Navigating GriefLand

Join Rev. Kathy Hudson for an 8-week grief support and education group beginning January 8th. This group will meet on Wednesdays at 5 pm in the church conference room. Those interested should contact the church office or Rev. Kathy to register.



Navigating
GriefLand



Realm is an interactive church portal that is used by staff and ministry groups for communication, as well as a way to set up online giving. Once you have become active in the ministry at Hibben United Methodist Church, you may request an invitation to sign up by emailing office@hibbenumc.org.

Church Directory

We are in the early stages of having a new church directory made. In an effort to streamline the process we need to make sure that all members and active attendees are in our Realm database. If you are unsure about how to access Realm, or would like your information entered manually by the office.

Please contact Dalton in the church office. office@hibbenumc.org or (843)884-9761

Navigation Center Gift Cards

The Navigation Center is inviting us to partner with their impactful mission by donating \$10 Wal-Mart gift cards to bless their clients in need. This simple act of generosity can make a meaningful difference in someone's life.

If you feel led to support this ministry, you can drop off gift cards at the Church office.

Praise & Prayer Request

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| Craig Rhyne | Betty Staples |
| Esther Burlison | Barbara Boyd |
| Beth Fiddie | Guerry Taylor |
| Kristy Watson | Luisa Rodriguez (Jesus' Mother) |
| Madeleine Shuler | Frankie Collins |
| Robert Rising | Rudy Fox |
| Laura Savage | |

If you have a prayer request or are interested in joining the prayer team, email Terry Lupo at terry@lupofamily.org.

All are welcome!

Prayer requests may also be sent to the church office.



Scan the QR code with your smart phone to find all the links from this bulletin.

Attendance & Giving - December 22, 2024

10:30 Morning Worship	
In Person	172
Online - households	25

2024 General Budget:	\$947,048.00
Received thru 11/30/24	\$806,860.00
Expenses thru 11/30/24	\$834,180.00

Online Giving: hibbenumc.org/give

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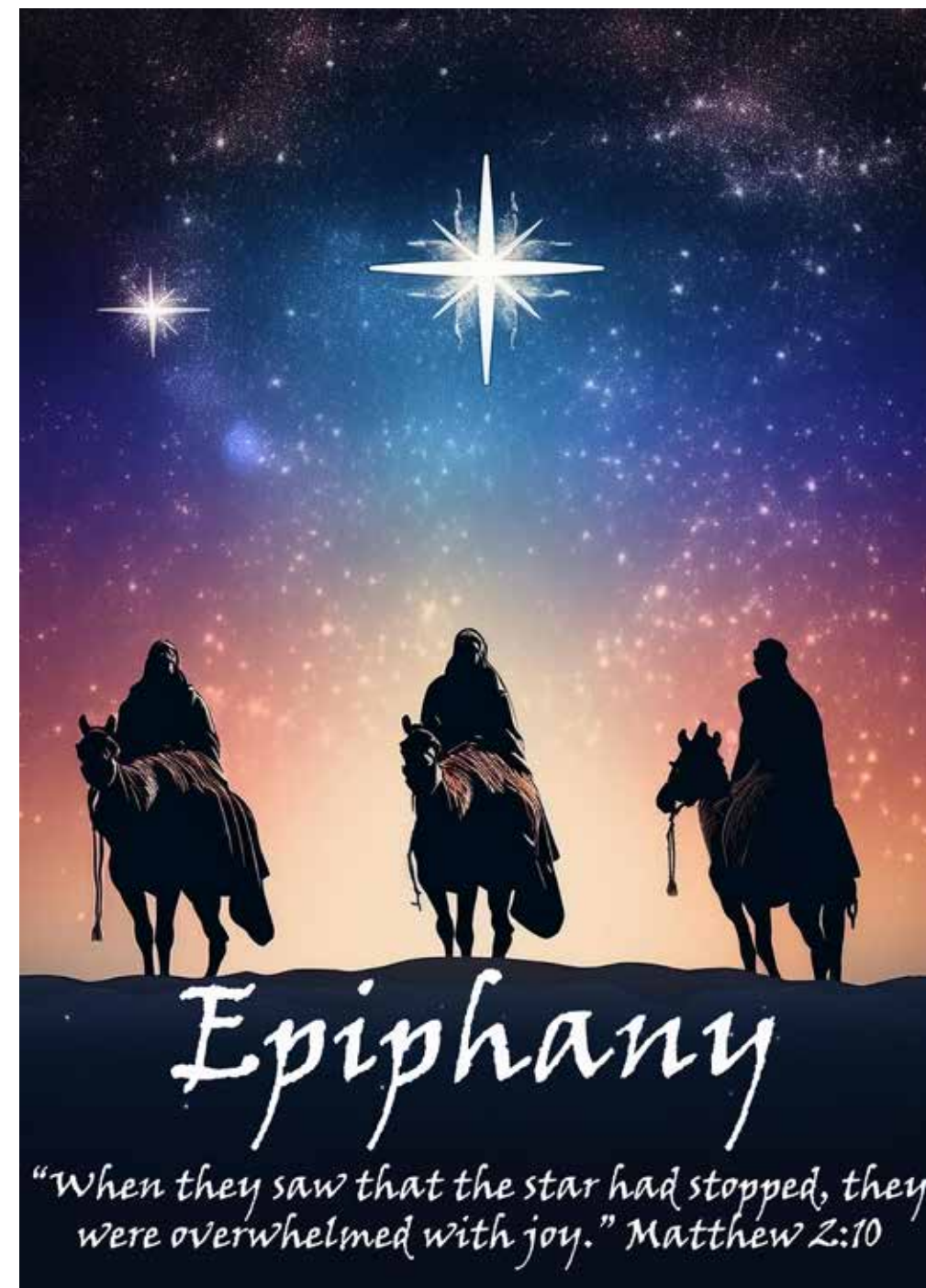
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Church Office Hours:
Monday - Thursday
9am - 4pm
Friday
9am - 2pm



January 5, 2025



JANUARY 5, 2025

EPIPHANY SUNDAY

Prelude	Jesús Toro
Gathering and Welcome	Rev. Kathy Hudson
<i>You are encouraged to sign the Pew Register, pass it to all seated in your row; and then, pass it back for review. If you are visiting, we would like to send you a card, text or email. It would be a pleasure to know you!</i>	
*Call to Worship	Rev. Kathy
Arise, shine for your light has come.	
The glory of the Lord has come among us	
Come, worship!	
Proclaim God's joy and praise among the nations.	
*Hymn	UMH 254
<i>We Three Kings</i>	
*Invocation	Rev. Kathy
Children's Moment	Rev. Katie Brock Lesh
Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer	Rev. Katie
Offering Call	Rev. Kathy
Offertory	Arr. Mendel & Myron
<i>At the Table</i> Linda McAllister	
*Doxology	UMH 94
*Hymn	UMH 221
<i>In the Bleak Midwinter</i>	
Gospel Reading	Rev. Katie
Matthew 2: 1-12 NRSV	

2 In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, magi 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 in the east and have come to pay him homage." ³ 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.' "
(Continued)

⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the magi 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 in the east, 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.

Anthem	arr. L. Larson
<i>What Shall I Offer My God</i> Small Ensemble	
Sermon	Rev. Kathy
Not Exactly Kid-Friendly	
Invitation	
Confession and Pardon	
Merciful God, We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen	
The Great Thanksgiving for Epiphany	
God is with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.	

It is a right and joyous thing to lift our hearts and hands to you, God of Light and Love, in thanksgiving for your gift of grace. Before we knew the unsearchable riches of your child Jesus, we walked in shadows and cloud. But now as you reveal radiance to the world, we join the hymn sung in glory without end:
Holy God, Grace Revealed, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Blessed is the One who comes in your name. Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed are you, Creator God, and blessed is your child Jesus. While wise ones brought him gold, incense, and myrrh, he grew to reveal to us countless treasures, radiant with life and grace, revealing the Shining Mystery which is You. Jesus broke bread and broke open your love for us. He blessed the cup and you poured out mercy for the world.
Christ was promised; Christ is born; Christ will dwell among us.
Come, Spirit, dwell among us, your sons and daughters, gathered here together to feast at this table. Use us to reveal your gifts of love and light for the world.
God of the ages, shining among us, we are yours! Amen!

Breaking the Bread	
Giving the Bread and Cup	
Ushers will help direct you to receive. Gluten Free Communion available at the far left station.	
Prayer after Communion	
We are filled with joy for we have heard good news of great joy. We are filled with love for we have tasted the sign of God's great love. We are filled with hope for the angels still sing in our world and there is a Light for us to follow.	
*Sending Hymn	UMH 237
<i>Sing We Now of Christmas</i> vs. 1,4, & 5	
*Benediction	
*Postlude	Jesús Toro

Little Free Pantry

Thank you for your continued support of Hibben's pantries. Our boxes are always in use. Please be on the lookout for the following items:

Peanut butter	Canned chicken
Grape jelly	Canned tuna
Chef Boyardee	Vienna sausages
Canned items with pop tops	

Please remember that anyone can stock the pantry.

Cold Shelter

Thank you so much to all of those who have helped with the start of our Cold Shelter season. We continue to provide a warm place for less fortunate members of our community any time the temperature drops below 34 degrees in Mount Pleasant. If you are interested in volunteering or helping with the cold shelter, please contact Rev. Katie or Polly Graham. There are many ways to help: providing meals, setup and clean up help, overnight stays, financial support and prayers.

2025 Flower Calendar

The 2025 Flower Calendar is up in the hallway outside of the Narthex. Each week there will be the opportunity for two altar arrangements to be placed, you may place one or both of them. Cost is \$55 per arrangement.

Men's Club

The Men's Club will meet January 7 at 6pm. This meeting will be our 2025 planning meeting, so please bring something to take notes with. Join us as we plan on how we can support the community around us!