

# Wellesley Village Church

*Congregational † United Church of Christ*



## Season of Epiphany

*We extend to all a welcome as broad as the outstretched arms of God. We are an Open & Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ. Whoever you are, and wherever you are on the journey of life and faith, we're delighted you are worshiping with us!*

**Sunday, January 17, 2021**

**10:00am Virtual Service**

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

“May Peace Reside in Our Souls”  
David Carrier, organ

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WELCOME & PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Sarah Sarchet Butter

OPENING HYMN

“Arise Your Light is Come”  
David Carrier, organ



1 A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;  
2 A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door;  
3 A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born,  
4 A - rise, your light is come! The moun-tains burst in song!



Show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day!  
Pro - claim the cap-tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.  
Bind up the bro - ken - heart-ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.  
Rise up like ea - gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Michaela McDonald

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Refrain “Star of Wonder”  
David Carrier, organ

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pam Emslie

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

**SONG OF ILLUMINATION** Psalm 21 “The Lord is My Light”  
Ed Broms, piano & vocal

**SCRIPTURE** 1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20) Bob Feeny

**SERMON** “Lift *Every* Voice ... yes, even yours!”

**RESPONSE SONG** “Alabama” John Coltrane  
Ed Broms, piano  
Timo Kielnecker, saxophone

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD’S PRAYER** Sean Patrick Coady

**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.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen**

**OFFERTORY & DOXOLOGY** Brass Instrumental  
Kevin McDonald, euphonium  
Russell Hornung, trumpet

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God for all that love has done;  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit One.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**COMMON Life & PRAYER OF DEDICATION** Sarah Butter

CLOSING HYMN "O Morning Star, How Clear and Bright"

Will Farrell, Celeste Godin, Kevin McDonald, Vera Savage, voice  
David Carrier, organ



1 O Morn-ing Star, how clear and bright, your beam shines forth in  
2 Come heav-en-ly Bright-ness, Light di-vine, and deep with-in my  
truth and light! My Sov-ereign meek and low-ly! O Root of Jes-se,  
heart now shine, there make your-self an al-tar! Fill me with joy and  
Prom-ised One, my God and Rul-er, you have won my heart to serve you  
strength to be your mem-ber, joined e-ter-nal-ly in love that can-not  
sole-ly! You are ho-ly, great and glo-rious, all-vic-to-rious,  
fal-ter; Long-ing for you does pos-sess me; turn and bless me;  
Rich in bless-ing, rule and might o'er all pos-sess-ing.  
Here in sad-ness eye and heart long for your glad-ness.

BENEDICTION

Bob Feeny

POSTLUDE

"Lift Every Voice and Sing" (finale)  
David Carrier, organ

J. Rosamond Johnson

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*Remember to join us by Zoom for Coffee Hour following virtual worship at approximately 11 am.*

*[The link is found here](#) or from the [website home page](#) and the weekly e-news [Village News](#).*

**Call to Congregational Budget Hearing - Today, during zoom coffee hour**

You are invited to participate in this Congregational Budget Hearing ahead of Annual Meeting on February 14th. Kevin Nielsen, Chair of Board of Finance, and Mitch Coddington, Church Treasurer, will give an overview of the 2021 budget and answer any questions you may have. Please find the link on our church website or [click here](#).

**An Invitation: Epiphany Small Groups ~January 2021**

*Do not be conformed to this world, but  
be transformed by the renewing of your minds,  
so that you may discern what is the will of God –  
what is good and acceptable and perfect. Romans 12:2*

Beloved Church,

God's true light is breaking into the world through Jesus Christ and God's transformative power. The power and light of Christ leads us into Epiphany, a season of light infusing winter days and nights. We invite you to join an Epiphany small group and prepare to be transformed. [Sign up for a small group here >](#)

Come along on this journey, won't you?

Our Vision 2020 groups and longtime tradition of fellowship supper groups gathered folks together to share in conversation and nourishment. While we long to be together around tables (and we will be again!) we offer here a way to set virtual tables together, and enter meaningful conversation along a transformative journey.

Our small groups will use the newly revised book, **Soul Feast** by Marjorie Thompson, to explore ancient Christian spiritual practices through our intentional community.

Together, we will be drawn closer to God and to one another.

[You may order Soul Feast here >](#)

**Church Office closed Mon., Jan. 18 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr., Day**

**Joint Worship with Charles Street A.M.E. at Village Church**

*Sunday, Jan 31 worship service*

Join us for our annual "Sharing the Dream" Martin Luther King, Jr. service, to be held this year online. For 20+ years we have worshiped with our siblings in Christ from The Historic Charles St. A.M.E. Church. Our partner church Congregational Church of Weston will also join us. Link will be in Enews, this bulletin and on our church website closer to the event.

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