

Faith United Methodist Church
Epiphany
January 6, 2019

** please stand in body or spirit*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN

#245 UMH *The First Noel*

*GREETING OF THE COLLECTIVE

L: God is Good.

P: All the Time.

L: All the Time.

P: God is Good!

*CENTERING THOUGHTS (*unison*)

Arise, shine, for your light has come.

**The glory of God's goodness and grace has risen upon you
that you may show God's love in all that you do.**

Arise, shine, for your light has come.

*GREETING IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN OF PREPARATION

#254 UMH *We Three Kings*

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 2:1-12

MESSAGE

Shining the Light

Pastor Pam

OFFERING OUR TITHES, GIFTS, LIVES, AND SERVICE

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

*OFFERTORY PRAYER (*unison*)

**God of the Ages. You gave us the gift of a Savior,
sent for the rich and the poor alike.**

**May every gift given from the heart be blessed by you,
and every act that proclaims your love bring joy to you.**

We pray this in Christ's holy name. Amen

RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

L: Ever-patient God, we are a people

who live in darkness which can overwhelm and paralyze us.

P: Help us be people of the light,

**shining your light of righteousness, peace, and joy
into all the dark places of our lives and world.**

L: Unlock the mystery and glory of the babe born in Bethlehem.

**P: Forgive our aimless wanderings. Guide us by your star to
a journey of purpose. Transform us into people of your light.**

Amen

SHARING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

HYMN TO TAKE WITH YOU #219 UMH *What Child Is This*

*BLESSING

L: Like the Magi who followed the star,
let the light of God shine through you.

P: The light of Christ is around me and in me.

L: As certain as dawn follows night,
so is the promise of God's love for us all.

**P: The light of the world born in Bethlehem
transforms my darkness to light.**

L: Arise and Shine. Follow the star.

P: Amen.

BENEDICTION

WELCOME TO ALL WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY!

No board or Women of Faith meetings in January.
February 9 Women of Faith Soup Supper and Auction

PRAYERS

Graham, baby Elijah, baby Erica, family of Katie Miller, Larry and Marva, Larry Campbell, Pete, Joe, Anna, Emma, College kids, all those who are traveling, persons without the protection of a home, unnamed concerns, our community, our nation, our military and their families, our church in ministry.

Contact Information: Pastor Pam Harkema,
Office and Parsonage Phone: 608-648-2528
Pastor's cell phone: 989-666-1277 E-Mail pastor@driftlessministry.org
Pastor's Sabbath is Friday.

Faith United Methodist Church is part of the Driftless Regional Ministries which also includes Westby UMC, New Hope UMC, and Retreat UMC.

Sunday Schedule:

8 a.m. New Hope and Retreat Worship at Retreat in December
9:30 a.m. Faith UMC Worship S3297 Salem Ridge Rd, La Farge
10:45 a.m. Westby UMC Worship, 202 East State St., Westby

**If you have an announcement for the bulletin,
please send to Pastor Pam. pastor@driftlessministry.org**



FAITH United Methodist Church *Epiphany* January 6, 2019



*'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.'*
~Matthew 2:6

9:30 a.m. Worship and Sunday School

**Faith United Methodist Church
S3297 Salem Ridge Road, La Farge 54639**

*Making Disciples of Jesus Christ
for the Transformation of the World*