



OAK GROVE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

December 31, 2017

EPIPHANY OBSERVED

SERMON SERIES

BIG QUESTIONS:

**WHAT ARE YOUR
QUESTIONS?**

January 7

January 14

January 21

January 28

February 4

February 11



11 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP

December 31, 2017

Epiphany Observed

Gathering Music

Angels We Have Heard on High

Robert Lau

Welcome and Announcements

(Please complete and pass the red friendship pad at this time.)

Dr. Joseph McBrayer

*Hymn of Praise

The First Noel

UMH 245

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Rev. Mary Lou Gilbert

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

A Morning Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Gilbert

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.

Our Tithes & Offerings

What Shall I Give to the Child in the Manger?
Ms. Leanne Herrmann

Douglas Wagner

*Doxology

UMH 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Hymn of Preparation

We Three Kings

UMH 254

(At the 11:00 a.m. service, children in Pre-K, Kindergarten, and First Grade are invited to leave for Children's Church during the Hymn of Preparation. Pick up is in room 227.)

Solo

I Wonder As I Wander
Ms. Tori Forbes, Soprano

John Jacob Niles

Scripture

Matthew 2:1-12

Ms. Lou Ann Harkleroad

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Pay Attention

Dr. Joseph McBrayer

Good King Wenceslas looked out On the feast of Stephen
When the snow lay round about deep and crisp and even
Brightly shown the moon that night though the frost was cruel
When a poor man came in sight gathering winter fuel

“Hither, page, and stand by me, If thou know’st it, telling,
Yonder peasant, who is he? Where and what his dwelling?”
“Sire, he lives a good league hence, Underneath the mountain;
Right against the forest fence, By Saint Agnes’ fountain.”

“Bring me flesh, and bring me wine, Bring me pine logs hither:
Thou and I will see him dine, When we bear them thither.”
Page and monarch, forth they went, Forth they went together;
Thro’ the rude wind’s wild lament And the bitter weather.

“Sire, the night is darker now, And the wind blows stronger;
Fails my heart, I know not how, I can go no longer.”
Mark my footsteps, good my page; Tread thou in them boldly:
Thou shalt find the winter’s rage Freeze thy blood less coldly.”

In his master’s steps he trod, Where the snow lay dented;
Heat was in the very sod Which the saint had printed.
Therefore, Christian men (people), be sure, Wealth or rank possessing,
Ye who now will bless the poor, Shall yourselves find blessing.

*Sending Hymn

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

UMH 251

*Benediction

Dr. McBrayer

*Postlude

Postlude on “Gloria”

Jason D. Payne

*Congregation stand as able.

UMH: United Methodist Hymnal / TFWS: The Faith We Sing

Large print hymnals and bulletins and hearing assistance devices are available from an usher.

Children’s worship bags are available in the narthex and parlor side door.

Today's Worship Servants

Sound: (8:30) Billie Williams (11:00) Taylor Pendley

Ushers: Jeanine Andrews, Mark Byrne, Tony Callaway, Carolyn Casarella, Greg Casarella, Bill Cole, Jack Graves, Tim Howard, Andy Kroll, Scot Macrae, Matt Moneyhan, Alec Morris, Max Neese, Davis Peacock, Phil Perry, Neil Sampson, Paul Siegel, Kirby Smith, Hodgson Thomas, James Trotti, Rob Welch

Altar Guild: Ann Benton, Katrina Franklin, Nancy Harte, Regina Haynes, Paige Henry, Sally Houghton, Judy Kilgo, Judy Kirkwood, Nancy Landers, Anne Letbetter, Tara Merritt-Merchant, Dale Miller, Becky Mynatt, Cindy Mynatt, Brenda Toeppen, Carol Wright, and Diane Young

Children's Church: Stephanie and David Mitchell

Our Worship Times

8:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
9:35 a.m.	Sunday School	Various
9:35 a.m.	Contemporary Worship	Fellowship Hall
11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary

Our Pastors

Dr. Glenn Ethridge – <i>Senior Pastor</i>	ext. 211
Dr. Amy Morgan – <i>Pastor of Nurture and Service</i>	ext. 210
Dr. Joseph McBrayer – <i>Pastor of Invitation and Discipleship</i>	ext. 226
Rev. Mary Lou Gilbert – <i>Pastor to Senior Adults</i>	
Dr. Dana Everhart – <i>Theologian in Residence</i>	

Our Program Staff

Dale Smith – <i>Executive Director</i>	ext. 225
Pam Reynolds – <i>Director of Finance</i>	ext. 224
Kim Cody – <i>Children's Ministry</i>	ext. 218
Ed Scruggs – <i>Music Ministry</i>	ext. 226
Leanne Herrmann – <i>Organist</i>	
Andy Webb – <i>Youth Ministry</i>	ext. 202
Atticus Hicks – <i>Dir. of Contemporary Worship</i>	ext. 208

Check the Oak Grove website for up-to-the-minute news on all events: www.ogumc.org

Make Sure You Stay in Constant Contact

Information on our ministries, news, and upcoming events is shared through our Constant Contact weekly congregational email. If your email address changes during the year, please contact Diane O'Steen, Membership/Database Admin., (dosteen@ogumc.org or 404-636-7558 ext.221)

Our Church Information

Church Office	404-636-7558
Office Hours	9 a.m. – 5 p.m. M-F
Emergency Contact After Hours	ext. 9
Address	1722 Oak Grove Road, Decatur, GA 30033
Website	www.ogumc.org

Our Schools

Oak Grove Christian School	404-636-5476
YCS (Young Children's School)	404-636-7951

Submitting Articles to the Oak Grove News:

Please be reminded that **Thursday 12 p.m. is the deadline** for information that you would like to add to the *Oak Grove News*. This will enable your article to appear in the following week's bulletin.

Send items to oakgrovenews@ogumc.org. Articles will run TWO times and may be edited for space. Indicate the two editions you prefer when the article is submitted.
Thank you!

