

GATHERING OUR HEARTS

Introit

Love is born! Come, share in the wonder.
Love is God now asleep in the hay.
See the glow in the eyes of his mother;
what is the name her heart is saying?
Love! Love! Love is the name she whispers.
Love! Love! Jesus, Emmanuel

Proclamation

In life and death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
The love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God,
whom alone we worship and serve.

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Welcome and Parish Life

*Hymn 744

“Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

ENCOUNTERING GRACE

Lesson

Matthew 2:1-12

Response 152 (v. 1, 3)

“What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright”

Memorial Moment

SHARING THE GIFTS OF LIFE

Communion

Eucharistic Prayer

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.
You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Alleluia.

SERVING THE WORLD

Presenting Offerings

Offertory

“Good Folk in This Hall”
based on a song by William Morris

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Arise, shine; for your light has
come. **Isaiah 60:1a**

May God defend the cause of
the poor of the people.
Psalms 72:4a

In Christ we have access to
God in boldness and confi-
dence, through his faithfulness.
Ephesians 3:12

‘Where is the child who has
been born king of the Jews?’
Matthew 2:2a

Pastor

Rev. Gusti Linnea Newquist

Piano

Terry Tucker

Offertory

Men’s Quartet

To Our Guests

Glad you’re with us. Please
sign the guest book by the front
door and fill in a visitor’s card
from the pew pocket. After
the service enjoy a cup of fair
trade coffee with friends in the
Fellowship Hall.

HEARING THE WORD

Epiphany Pageant

“The King’s Birthday”

Hymn 140 (v. 1, 2)

“Once in Royal David’s City”

Hymn 114 (v. 1, 2)

“Away in a Manger”

Hymn 113 (v. 1, 2)

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

Hymn 145 (v. 1, 2)

“What Child Is This”

Hymn 151 (v. 1, 2)

“We Three Kings of Orient Are”

Song

“The Friendly Beasts”

12th century England

Directed by Terry Tucker

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Credo

With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*Song (2x)

He came down that we may have love;
he came down that we may have love;
he came down that we may have love;
hallelujah forevermore.

Charge and Benediction

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Postlude

‘ ... grace, which through the
star had called them and led
them along the way, now lets
them enter into the mystery.’

Pope Francis

Children are the hands by which
we take hold of heaven.

Henry Ward Beecher

Guide my hand to select a gift of
love and make it sing again, for
someone in need, love’s melody
of God made flesh.

Edward Hays

... the work of Christmas begins:
to find the lost, to heal the bro-
ken, to feed the hungry ...

Howard Thurman

* stand if you are able

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Shepherdstown Presbyterian Church: An Inclusive Spiritual Community. We welcome all who long for meaning, hope, and belonging. Our faith & practice are rooted in the way of Jesus and enriched by wisdom from all sources. We are committed to being and becoming people of radical compassion, working for justice and wholeness in ourselves and the world.



Sun 5 • Epiphany Sunday

- 11:00 a.m. Worship & Pageant
- 12:15 p.m. Finance committee. Classroom No. 1
- 5:00 p.m. Community dinner. Zion Episcopal Church, Charles Town
- 5:00 p.m. Joy Gift dinner. Asbury United Methodist Church

Wed 8

- 7:00 p.m. Taizé service, prayer in song, silence and candlelight. Sanctuary
- 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal. Choir Room

Thu 9

- 10:00 a.m. Administrative staff meeting. Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 p.m. Safety committee. Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Session. Fellowship Hall

Sat 11

- 6:00 p.m. Movable Feast supper group. Hosted by John & Helen Burns

Sun 12 • Baptism of the Lord

Isaiah 42:1-9; Psalm 29; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3:13-17

8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship and Ordination of Elders and Deacons

- 3:00 p.m. Installation service for Pastor Gusti, followed by reception in the Fellowship Hall

JOY GIFT DINNER. Sunday, Jan. 5, 5:00–7:00 p.m., Asbury United Methodist Church. Ham, beverages and tableware provided. Bring a food dish to serve 12. Food assignments per last name: A–R: salad/vegetable or side dish; S–Z: dessert.

COMMUNITY DINNER. Sunday, Jan. 5, 5:00 p.m., Zion Episcopal Church, Charles Town. Drop off hot food 3:45–4:15 p.m. Sunday. Leave other food in the SPC refrigerator anytime (marked Community Dinner). Please use disposable containers.

INSTALLATION SERVICE for Pastor Gusti, **Jan. 12, 3:00 p.m.** “Installation” is the formal act of Shenandoah Presbytery to establish a pastoral relationship. The installation service completes the call process and formally establishes the ministry of the new teaching elder. All members of the con-

gregation, interested community members, as well as Gusti’s family and friends are invited to attend this very special occasion in the life of the church. A reception will follow the installation service. Child-care available.

SUNDAY SEMINARS (for adults) Starting **Jan. 19, 9:45 a.m.** Fellowship Hall. All are welcome. Child-care provided.

WINTER RETREAT DAY *Cultivating Hope.* **Jan. 31, 9:30-3:30,** Shepherd’s Spring Retreat Center, led by Trish Stefanik. Contact the office to register.

Christmastide
Epiphany Sunday

January 5, 2020
11:00 a.m.

The Church Year (excerpt)

The church is Epiphany.
We are the Magi, searching,
resplendent in this world’s accouterments
of knowledge and wealth and achievement.

But we search for something more.

And – of all unlikely places –
in a stable

the Deity appears.

The birthing of our Lord
bursts in upon our ordinary lives
like fireworks in the snow.

Only God would send a little baby King,
and we are on our knees,
where we are within reach of our full personhood.

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