

Order of Worship

Gathering

One: The Lord be with you.

Many: And also with you.

Welcome and Check-In

Prelude

Bohemian Carol (arr. Carl Simone)

*Call to Worship

(Read Responsively)

One: Christ manifested in the flesh, Christ revealed in the Spirit.

Many: Praise the Lord, all you nations.

One: Christ contemplated by the angels, Christ worshiped by the Magi.

Many: Praise the Lord, all you nations.

One: Christ believed in the world, Christ exalted in glory.

Many: Praise the Lord, all you nations.

*Opening Hymn

We Three Kings (#254)

*Opening Prayer

Eternal God, by a star you led Magi to the worship of your Son. Guide the nations of the earth by your light, that the whole world may see your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Greeting Time

Children's Moment

Prayer for Illumination

(Unison)

God of Epiphany, we long to hear your holy Word in fresh ways. Open our ears to the call of your voice. Open our eyes to the dawning of a new day. Fill us with anticipation for your future. Amen.

New Testament Lesson

Matthew 2:1-12 (NRSVUE)

One: The Word of God for the people of God!

Many: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Burt Brooks

A New Way Home

Confession and Pardon

*Passing the Peace

Offering Ourselves and Gifts to God

You may place your offering in the offering plates, go to shadygroveumc.net/give or text serve to 73256 for a secure link to give. Standard text message rates do apply.

Musical Offering

Presented by DeLayne Chowen

*Doxology (Sung, Unison)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

God of glorious surprises: Like the wise men, we, too, come as searchers for a glimpse of your presence. Just as they brought gifts to the newborn savior, use our gifts for the work of justice, mercy, and compassion – as would befit the savior who sleeps in a manger. It's in his holy name, we pray. Amen.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

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.

*Closing Hymn

This Is a Day of New Beginnings (#383)

*Blessing and Going Forth

*Please stand as able

Flowers

The flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of
Phyllis Dollar's 90th birthday!

Announcements

Check out "What's Happening" and sign up to receive the weekly eblast at
<http://shadygroveumc.net/whats-happening>

Church Calendar

Check out the church calendar at <http://shadygroveumc.net/calendar>

January 4, 2026

Epiphany Sunday

9:30 am Traditional Worship



Church Staff

Burt Brooks, *Interim Lead Pastor* • Beanie Kelly, *Associate Pastor/Director of Adult Discipleship*
Robert Phanord, *Director of Music Ministries* • Stephen Manley, *Director of Modern Worship*
Rebecca King, *Director of Youth Ministry* • Kate Bishop, *Director of Children's & Family Ministries*
Frank Basil, *Church Administrator* • Pam Sweeney, *Financial Assistant*
Bob Phillips, *Accompanist/Organist*
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Kaitlin Marschke, *Director of Shady Grove UMC Preschool*
Denise Farmer, *Custodian* • Brenda Sims, *Custodian*
Brian Downing, Debbie Hockemeyer, *Lay Leaders*
Hyo Lee, *District Superintendent* • Sue Haupert-Johnson, *Bishop*

We are glad to have you worship with us and hope everyone will click [HERE](#) to let us know you were in worship. You may also scan the QRCode or Mobile Check-In through Realm.

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