

Upcoming Events and Information

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

FLINT HILL: 2 Anne-Ashleigh Lamma

SPERRYVILLE: 2 Richard Antony, 10 Frank Coffey,
18 Duane Siler, 23 Sandy Thompson

WILLIS CHAPEL: 2 Glenda Fox, Mary E. Williams,
8 Giles Partlow, 19 Mary Myers, 20 Judi Burke, 21 Tommie
Leddy, 23 Dottie Johnson

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January Mission:

Coat Collection for Hospice Thrift Store in Front Royal

Coat Collection for Firehouse Treasures Thrift Shop

Food Pantry Monthly Item Bucket (More info to follow).

Epiphany

The Epiphany (Manifestation) of the Lord is celebrated either on the first Sunday after Christmas or on January 6 (12 days after Christmas). Epiphany was an even more ancient celebration among Christians than Christmas, originally focused on the nativity, incarnation, and baptism of Christ. Today, we celebrate the coming of the three wise men (magi) who brought gifts to the Christ child. Originally Epiphany, or manifestation of Christ to the world commemorating Jesus' baptism, changing water into wine, and later, the visit of the Magi was celebrated on the same day. The acknowledgement to the world that the Messiah has arrived!



Rappahannock
United Methodist Charge



1st Sunday After Christmas

Epiphany

January 1, 2023

Sunday Morning Worship

8:45 AM: Flint Hill

9:55 AM: Willis Chapel

11:15 AM: Sperryville



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RAPPAHANNOCK CHARGE

1st Sunday After Christmas

January 1, 2023

ENTRANCE

PRELUDE

ENTER LIGHT OF CHRIST

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Arise; shine, for your light has come!

We are called out of our darkness into light.

Lift up your eyes and look around.

We rejoice in the gift of light.

Come, let us worship the God of light and joy and peace.

**We come to kneel at the cradle of the babe,
the light incarnate.**

***OPENING PRAYER Hymnal #255**

***HYMN 240 Hark The Herald Angels Sing**

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION P6

PSALTER: Psalm 148 P861-862

HYMN 246 Joy to the World

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 60:1-6

HYMN 245 The First Noel

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 2:1-12

HYMN 254 We Three Kings

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 2:13-23

EPIPHANY READING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

UNISON PRAYER

Together let us pray

For the people of this congregation...

For those who suffer and those in trouble...

For the concerns of this local community...

For our country...

For the world, its peoples, and its leaders...

For the Church universal....

In communion with the saints...

Lord hear our prayers...

And as you taught us to pray so now we pray...

Our Father, who art in heaven...

LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

***95 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN 234 O Come All Ye Faithful**

***BENEDICTION**

Arise, and go forth to shine for all the world to see.

**We go to spread the good news of light and love,
the hope of righteousness and justice.**

Follow the star that will guide you on your journey this week, this year, and forevermore.

**We go forth, as the magi of old,
transformed by the presence of the child of light.**

May the blessing of the God of light rest upon you and fill you with light.

Amen.