



Decatur

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Online Worship Bulletin | January 2, 2022

Join us in-person Sundays at 11am

Holy Communion

Today we will celebrate holy communion together. Please gather bread or crackers and wine or juice for use later in the service.

Please consider supporting the ministry of the church financially by giving at <https://www.decaturumc.com>.

Read Together

We are joining with the Bishop Debra Wallace-Padgett and the Holston Conference to read the Bible cover-to-cover in 2022. Bookmarks with the readings are available, and each week's readings will be published. Learn more and sign up for the daily reading: [decaturumc.com/bible](https://www.decaturumc.com/bible).

Weekly Reading Plan

SUN	Matthew 1-2	WED	Psalms 1-2
MON	Genesis 1-3	THURS	Job 1-2
TUES	Joshua 1-5	FRI	Isaiah 1-6
		SAT	Romans 1-2

CALL TO WORSHIP

A new day dawns.

How majestic is God's name throughout the earth.

A new season of life begins.

God's glory shines in the heavens and throughout the earth.

A new year calls us into Christ's glorious future.

We will feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit the sick and imprisoned, and see Christ in every face we meet.

1. We three kings of Orient are;
bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and
mountain,
following yonder star.

Refrain:

O star of wonder, star of light,
star with royal beauty bright,
westward leading, still proceeding,
guide us to thy perfect light.

2. Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,
gold I bring to crown him again,
King forever, ceasing never,
over us all to reign.

(Refrain)

3. Frankincense to offer have I;
incense owns a Deity nigh;
prayer and praising, voices raising,
worshiping God on high.

(Refrain)

4. Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume
breathes a life of gathering gloom;
sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,
sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

(Refrain)

5. Glorious now behold him arise;
King and God and sacrifice:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
sounds through the earth and skies.

(Refrain)

APOSTLE'S CREED

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.

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

HYMN –

Joy to the World

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1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

Let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing.

2. Joy to the world, the Savior reigns!

Let all their songs employ;
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy.

3. No more let sins and sorrows grow,
nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow
far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found.

4. He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love.