



Bellflower UMC

Epiphany of the Lord

*"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will
never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."*

John 8:12 (NIV)

ENTRANCE

GATHERING¹

Welcome to a time of reunion, respite, and renewal.

GREETINGS

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Christ reveals himself to us, even today.

Praise the Lord!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER²

O God, you made of one blood all nations, and, by a star
in the East, revealed to all peoples him whose name is
Emmanuel.

Enable us who know your presence with us, so to
proclaim his unsearchable riches that all may come to
his light and bow before the brightness of his rising,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
now and forever. **Amen**

PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING

245. The First Noel

CALL TO WORSHIP³

Arise! Shine!

**God's light has come to reveal The Way
in this New Year.**

Arise! Shine!

The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.
Arise! Shine!

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**God's light penetrates the darkness
that covers the world.**

Arise! Shine!

**Nations shall come to God's light and kings
to the brightness of God's dawn.**

**Arise! Shine! For the Glory of the Lord
has risen upon us.**

HYMNS

254. We Three Kings of Orient Are

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 60:1-3

"The Lord's glory will appear over you."

RESPONSE

70. Glory Be to the Father

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

RESPONSE

Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Incline Thine ear to us,

and grant us Thy peace. Amen.

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 2:1-12

"ahead of them went the star"

MESSAGE

PEACE & OFFERING

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THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.

Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of
your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name
of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

BLESSING

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ
and the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with you all. (2 Cor 13:14).

CANDLES

Go Now In Peace

*Go into the world, the body of Christ redeemed by His
blood, in the strength of the Holy Spirit, to praise the
Father and love His people.*

In Search of Wisdom

In 2025, we will focus on the Book of Proverbs. Inspired by
Joyce Meyer’s *In Search of Wisdom*.

Jan 19	Prov. 1	Jan 26	Prov. 2	Feb 02	Prov. 3
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and throughout our communities and world using our prayers,
our gifts and our service; thus to become a shelter of love and a
community of compassion..
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