

Seymour Christian Reformed Church
Epiphany Sunday
January 6, 2019

9:30 AM Worship

If you are a newcomer to Seymour Church we want you to know that you are very welcome here. If you have any questions about our family of God or are interested in affiliating with our congregation, Pastor Brian White would be delighted to talk with you. Please leave your contact information on the Friendship Register or connect with him at 616-245-8726 or brian@seymourchurch.org.

Bold Print: Congregation participates audibly; *congregation stands, if possible.

We Gather to Magnify the Lord

Prelude: "Fanfare to a New Beginning"
"Once to Every Man a Nation"
"Shine On Us"

Wagner
Young
Michael W. Smith

*Call to Worship

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!

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.

*God's Greeting

*Opening Hymn: "Arise, Your Light Is Come"

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Congregational Life Announcements

*Welcome / Mutual Greeting

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

*Songs of Worship: "Alive in You"

"Jesus Messiah"

We Are Renewed

Call to Confession: *based on Psalm 139*

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance: *based on Psalm 139*

For you created my inmost being;

You knit me together in my mother's womb.

I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;

Your works are wonderful.

I know that full well.

How precious to me are your thoughts, God!

How vast is the sum of them!

**Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand,
When I awake, I am still with you.**

*Statement of Faith: *taken from the Athanasian Creed*

**That we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son,
is both God and human, equally.**

**He is God from the essence of the Father, begotten before time;
and he is human from the essence of his mother, born in time;
completely God, completely human, with a rational soul and human flesh;
equal to the Father as regards divinity, less than the Father as regards humanity.**

Although he is God and human, yet Christ is not two, but one.

**He is one, however, not by his divinity being turned into flesh,
but by God's taking humanity to himself. He is one,
certainly not by the blending of his essence, but by the unity of his person.
For just as one human is both rational soul and flesh,
so too the one Christ is both God and human.**

Invitation to Children: "I Am the Light of the World"

(Pre-K through first grade come forward for Children's Worship)

Blessing: The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Congregational Prayer

We Hear His Word

*Hymn of Preparation: "The Potter's Hand"

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 18:1-6

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The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: "Like Clay in the Kiln"

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Application: "Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

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We Respond in Thanks

Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Offering: 1.) General Fund 2.) DeGage

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Register)

Offertory: "God Moves in a Mysterious Way"

Martin

God moves in a mysterious way his wonders to perform.

He plants his footsteps in the sea and rides upon the storm.

Deep in unfathomable mines of never failing skill,

He treasures up his bright designs and works his sovereign will.

*Parting Blessing

*Closing Hymn: "Glory Be to the Father"

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*Postlude: "Trumpet Fanfare"

Purcell

Worship Leaders

Preaching Pastor: Brian White

Organist: Ilene Woldhuis

Song Leaders: Worship Team

Liturgist: Jennifer VanAntwerp

Pianist: Wendy Zwiers

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