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Pine Grove United Methodist Church

Together in Worship

Epiphany Sunday

January 5, 2014

Eleven O'clock

"Lord, help me to be part of what you are doing in this community."

You are invited to prepare your heart for
connecting with God during this time of worship
by focusing on these words or your own:

"Come into my heart, Lord Jesus."

WE GATHER

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Robin

WE CENTER OURSELVES

CENTERING PRAYER

Pastor Robin

O Star-flinging God,
whose light dances across eternity,
dazzle us into your presence
this new year.

Open our hearts to the mystery of your love.

Awaken us to your presence,
knit to the ordinary.

Reveal to us what is possible, but not yet present.
Heal us, that we might be healers.

Reconcile us to you and to ourselves,
that our living might be reconciling.

Stop us often, we pray
with news that is good
with hope that holds
with truth that transforms with a Word
tailored to this trail we're on.

May the word of your grace guide our steps
like the sun by day
and the north star by night,
as we travel into the gift of a new year. Amen.

written by Glenn Mitchell and posted on [MINemergent's Daily Communique](#)

You are invited to pray with me the words in bold
God of old, daily you are new to us.
Enliven our heavy hearts; refresh us in your spirit.
Fill us again in newness of mind.
Prepare us now for worship.

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES		Acolytes
PRELUDE	"Shine On Us" (arr. Larson)	Chancel Choir
CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP		Chancel Choir
	"O Come, Let Us Adore Him"	
*WE SING OUR PRAISE	"What Child Is This"	219

COMMISSIONING OF CHURCH LEADERS

All who follow Jesus are called to be and make disciples. As part of living out that calling, we serve one another in his name. Whether or not we hold positions of leadership, we all respond in faithful obedience to serve one another. Today, we install and pray blessing for the leaders and servants of Christ's church.

Pastor Robin:

As we belong to the fellowship of the Church we all have a part to play in the life of the Church. Together with all who proclaim the Jesus Christ is Lord, we are a royal priesthood, God's own people. We are all called by God to proclaim the mighty acts of him who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light and to live out our lives the love of him who first loved us.

We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Those being commissioned respond:

Master, we hear your call: help us to follow.

Congregation prays:

May God, who has begun this good work in you, give you the grace to complete it and to serve God's people in joy and peace. Amen.

Commissioning of officers excerpts from centerforcongregationalleadership.org

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.

A note on these words: "Sitteth," "thence," and "quick" are words we don't use very often. We'd rather say "sit," "that day," and "alive" instead. The catholic church with a "c" means the universal church, the church as a whole, all churches everywhere. Now that we've had a vocabulary lesson in Old English, you are welcome to say these words loudly and with gusto.

*WE SHARE OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

All

Please turn to your neighbors and say:

"The Peace of Christ be with you." responding with ***"And also with you."***

*WE SING OUR PRAYER

"Open Our Eyes, Lord"

Unison

Open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus.

To reach out and touch him and say that we love him.

Open our ears Lord, and help us to listen.

Open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus.

WE RECEIVE THE WORD

THE CHILDREN AND PASTOR LEARN TOGETHER

Pastor Robin

Children, ages 3 through 3rd grade,

please meet your teacher in the narthex at this time.

WE PRAY

Our Lord's Prayer

Pastor Robin

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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ANTHEM

Andy Buchanan, solo

"Saw You Never, in the Twilight" (J. Martin)

WE HEAR THE WORD READ Matthew 2:1-12 Pastor Robin
 WE HEAR THE WORD PROCLAIMED Pastor Robin
 "Star Flinging God"

WE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

WE GIVE OUR PRAISE TO GOD THROUGH GOD MOMENTS
 WE GIVE GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS All
 OFFERTORY "Rose of Bethlehem" (Alexander) Chancel Choir
 *DOXOLOGY 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 praise Him, all creatures here below;
 praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
 praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*WE ASK GOD'S BLESSING OF THE GIFTS Pastor Robin
 *WE SING AND RESPOND "We Three Kings" 254

WE ENTER THE MISSION FIELD

*WORDS FOR GOING OUT Pastor Robin
 *CHORAL BENEDICTION Chancel Choir
 "Pacem Blessing" (Liebergen)
 *CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY Beverly Myers
 *POSTLUDE Beverly Myers
 "Christmas Hymn" (M. Smith)

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**Please Stand As You Are Able*

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