

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## Chiming of the Hour

Prelude *Bring a Torch, Janette Isabella* Reed West

## Welcome and Announcements

*(Please take a moment to register your attendance on the attendance registration pad found at the end of each pew.)*

## Passing of the Peace

## Call to Worship

Loving God, whose light brings hope to the world, Send your Holy Spirit to illumine our way on your bright path, so that we may live in harmony with our neighbors from every nation until you gather all earthly migrants into your heavenly Kingdom, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.  
Amen!

\* Hymn #254, UMH *We Three Kings*

\* Story of the Wise Men Matthew 2:1-12 Pew Bible NT page 2

Children's Message Rachel Fortner

All: Loving God, whose light brings hope to the world, send your Holy Spirit to illumine our way on your bright path, so that we may live in harmony with our neighbors from every nation until you gather all earthly migrants into your heavenly Kingdom, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

## \* Affirmation

We affirm our unity in Jesus Christ while acknowledging differences in applying our faith in different cultural contexts as we live out the gospel. We stand united in declaring our faith that God's grace is available to all, that nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

Grateful for God's forgiving love, in which we live and by which we are judged, and affirming our belief in the inestimable worth of each individual, we renew our commitment to become faithful witnesses to the gospel, not alone to the ends of earth, but also to the depths of our common life and work.

Part of the Preamble to UM Social Creed

\* Gloria Patri #70, UMH

\* Hymn #220, UMH *Angels from the Realms of Glory*

## Tithes and Offering

Offertory *Brightest and Best* Mark Hayes

\* Doxology #95, UMH

## Joys and Concerns

## Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer #895, UMH

Anthem *A Star Shone Brightest* F.R. Garland

\* Gospel Reading Matthew 2:19-23 Pew Bible NT page 2  
This is the Word of God for the people of God.  
Thanks be to God!

Sermon *Protectors of a Baby* Rev. Frank Windom

## Sacrament of Holy Communion #12, UMH

\* Hymn #251, UMH *Go Tell It on the Mountain*

## \* Benediction

Postlude *We Three Kings* John Carter

\* Please stand as you are able

UMH - United Methodist Hymnal

FWS - Faith We Sing Hymnal

**Please remember in your prayers ...**

Hilda Vaughan; Denise Forrester; Charles Mingle; Grace Hindsman; Loren Reese; Marty Aron; June Mingle, Peggy Clayton; Miriam Hartley; Bob Mason; Teresa Crocker; Beth Allyn Parker; Kristy Lasher (June Mingle’s daughter); Mildred Lambert; Ed Picard; Patsy Madariaga; those who have lost loved ones and close friends; members of our Armed Forces; our church, our missionaries, our nation and our world

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| 1 lb packages of brown rice | Bar soap        |
| Sweet cereal                | Toothpaste      |
| Canned beef ravioli         | Toilet paper    |

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*It is wonderful to have each  
and everyone here today.  
If you like what you see, invite  
a friend next time!*

### This Week @ APUMC

Sunday, January 6<sup>th</sup>  
**Epiphany Sunday**  
9:45 am - Sunday School for All Ages  
11:00 am - Worship Service

Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup>  
8:45 am - Exercise for Seniors  
(Gathering Place - GP)

Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>  
8:00 am - Walking Club (Lake Avondale)  
6:30 pm - Handbells Rehearsal  
7:30 pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup>  
8:45 am - Exercise for Seniors (GP)  
4:30 pm - Afternoon Bible Study (GP)

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11:00 am - Worship Service

**Visitors** - Because we would like to greet you this morning and remain in touch with you, we ask that you please complete the Visitor Card found in the pew rack. You may place the completed card in the collection plate or hand it to one of our ushers.

**Restrooms** are located behind the sanctuary. Exit to the right, continue down the hall and follow the signs.

**Nursery:** The nursery is located adjacent to the sanctuary in the house known as "The Gathering Place". An usher will be happy to escort you and your child to the nursery.

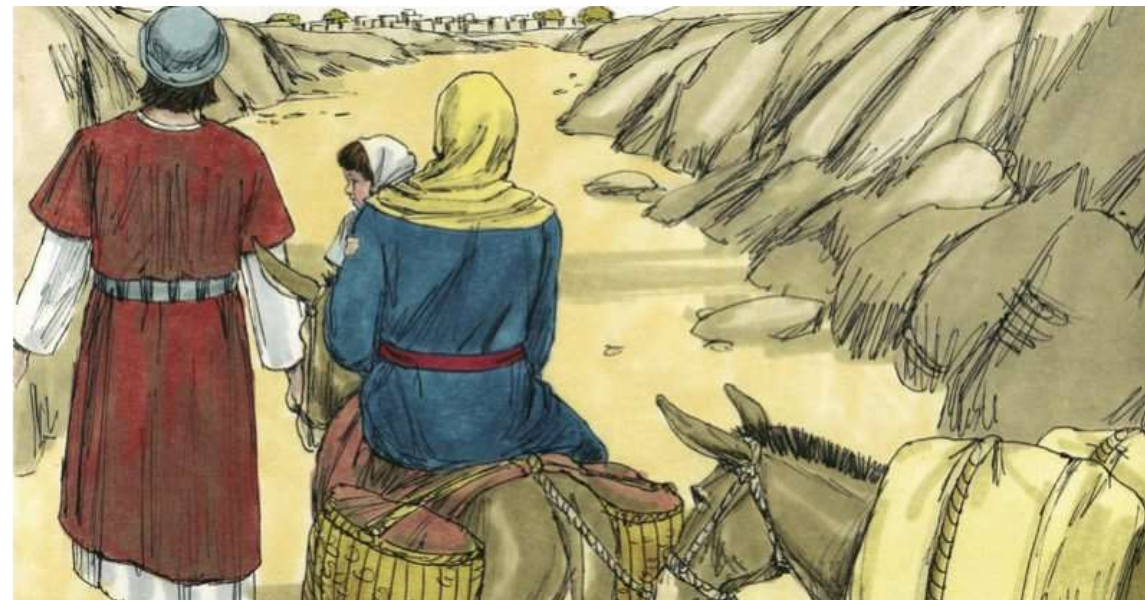
**Devices for the Hearing Impaired and Large-type Editions of the United Methodist Hymnal** are available. Please ask an usher for assistance with these items.

**Church Office Hours**  
9 am - 3 pm - Monday - Thursday  
Email: [info@avondalepattilloumc.org](mailto:info@avondalepattilloumc.org)



## Avondale Pattillo United Methodist Church

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**January 6, 2019**

**Epiphany Sunday**

Sue Hauptert-Johnson, *Bishop*  
Quincy Brown, *District Superintendent*  
Frank Windom, *Pastor*

MaryLynn Darden, *Accompanist / Choir Director*  
Kathleen Mason, *Infant & Toddler Ministry*  
Alicia Long, *Office Manager*

