

WEST BEND CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR
SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025 11 AM
CELEBRATING THE EPIPHANY

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(If you have a prayer request, please fill out a card located in the pews. If you are a visitor, please fill out the other side of the card with your information. Completed cards may be placed in the offering plate.)

***CONGREGATIONAL CALL TO WORSHIP**

“O God, Our Help In Ages Past”

PASTOR’S WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

Pastor Richard Routh

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

SCRIPTURE INTRODUCTION/CHILDREN’S TIME

Epiphany Sunday

***HYMN OF PRAISE** “Amazing Grace”

#378 (vs. 1, 3 & 6)

***THE AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH** “The Apostles’ Creed” #881 (In Unison)

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. (**universal)

MORNING TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“How Long Has It Been”

Choir

DOXOLOGY

“Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow”

#95

OFFERTORY PRAYER

MESSAGE

Pastor Richard Routh

“Focus On The New Year”

Hebrews 12:1-2, 14-17,28 (ESV)

12: 1Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, 2 looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

14 Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. 15 See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; 16 that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. 17 For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, though he sought it with tears.

28 Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe,

J – Jesus

O – Others

Y – You (ourselves)

THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please see insert.

SERMON WRAP-UP

***HYMN OF DEDICATION** “How Great Thou Art” #77

***THE BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH**

***RECESSONAL** “Blest Be the Tie that Binds” #557 (vs. 1)

*Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love,
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

**Please stand as you are able.*

There are hearing devices available to use during worship. Please see an usher for assistance.

Thank you to Rita Lanier for assisting with communion.

