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Sentence

They saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt
down and worshipped him. *Matthew 2:11*

Collect

**Jesus, light of the world,
let your bright star stand over the place
where the poor have to live;
lead our sages to wisdom
and our rulers to reverence.
Hear this prayer for your love's sake. Amen.**



PEW NEWS
Sunday 5th January 2025

Living out the love of Christ in our worship and service to all people.

Welcome

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The Bible Readings for today - Epiphany Sunday

Isaiah 60: 1-6 Ephesians 3: 1-12 Matthew 2: 1-12

INTRODUCTION

We come to celebrate Epiphany. It is about the coming of the Wise Men to find Jesus and for them to meet this little child, who was to become the King of the Jews, of which they had learned about through the stars. This mystery of God continues, as we ponder on the different people God, himself, tapped on the shoulder. The rich and non-believers as in the wise men. The humble and lowly as in the shepherds, and in the faithful Jews as in Mary and Joseph. All were called to be part of this mystery. God with everyone, God within everyone.

May we as we close this Christmas story today, remember that we too are part of God's continuing mystery of love and light within the world. May we be renewed and refilled with God's love and light this Christmastide, to be there in the world for others.

Call to Worship

Leader: The Magi waited and watched, knowing something wondrous would be happening.

All: We waited for the birth of Jesus; now something wondrous is about to take root.

Leader: The darkness that invaded all lives was banished by the light of that star.

All: The darkness that surrounds us is gone!

Leader: Let us celebrate the bright shining of God's love in our lives.

All: Let us become those who will bring the light of God's love to others. Amen.



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