



AND A VOICE CAME FROM HEAVEN,  
“YOU ARE MY SON, THE BELOVED;  
WITH YOU I AM WELL PLEASED.”

MARK 1:11, NRSV

## **Waterloo First United Methodist Church**

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**Rev. Hojin Shin, *Pastor***

*The Mission of Waterloo First United Methodist Church is to be a church of people who live as disciples of Jesus Christ by providing a place for spiritual growth in a caring, inviting community.*

# January 7, 2024

## Epiphany Sunday

*Welcome! We are happy to have you with us today!*

### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist, Toni Brown

*Please pass the ritual of Friendship*

### \*GREETING (With One Another)

Rev. Hojin Shin

Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you!

Response: And also with you!

### CENTERING WORDS (Mark 1:11)

“You are my Son, whom I dearly love; in you I find happiness.”

### PRELUDE

“We Three Kings of Orient Are”

John Hopkins, Jr

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

In the beginning . . .

**God.**

In the beginning . . .

**God’s Spirit.**

In the beginning . . .

**God’s Word.**

In the beginning . . .

**God’s Light.**

In the beginning . . .

**a new day.**

A new beginning for every day.

**God’s gift of creation.**

### OPENING PRAYER

God of power and majesty, you call forth creation, acting with strength and power. We praise you, as we stand in awe of your glory. You are mighty and powerful, and yet you care for us, pouring your Spirit of love upon us, recreating us for your work in the world. You are at work in our midst, offering a new day of hope and possibility. Open our hearts to the sound of your voice. Send the power of your Spirit among us, that we might become agents of your love and peace. Amen.



We are happy you are with us today!!  
Please sign the **attendance registration** pad located in the pew racks.

**Altar Flowers**

**Today's altar flowers were given by Pam & Dick Uffers  
In memory & honor of January birthdays.**

If you would like to use a **large print hymnal**,  
or a **hearing assistance device** please ask an usher for one.

- \* Our prayer chain is available to any who have needs or concerns. We will pray with you and for you. Fill out a prayer request form located in the pew or contact the church office at 235-7088. All prayer requests will be sent out by email.
- \* Our Cry Room, Nursery, and a Rest Room are all located off the hallway in the back of the sanctuary.
- \* The service is recorded each week and is available to anyone who requests it. If you know of someone who is unable to attend services and would like to receive a DVD or an audio CD, please contact the church office, 235-7088.
- \* Today's service is being live streamed on Facebook.
- \* Children's Bulletins are available in the sanctuary on a table by the door in the front. Children's packets are available in bags and the back of the sanctuary.

<b>Ministers</b>	Every Member
<b>Director of Music</b>	Emily Forssberg
<b>Organist</b>	Dr. Linda Sharp DMA, MDiv
<b>Pianist</b>	Dr. John Roberts, Ed. D.
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