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8:00 am – Worship and Communion  
in the Chapel  
9:00 am – Worship in the Sanctuary  
11:00 am – Emergent Worship in the  
Education Conference Center  
6:15 pm Wednesday Worship

**To Live, Love and Serve as Jesus Teaches**  
An inclusive church where all are welcome!

January 3, 2010

11:00 am

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### Today at Emergent Worship

Gather:

Gathering Music

Welcome

Celebration of Epiphany

Sharing Joys, Concerns and Prayer

Encounter God's Word:

Word: John 1:1-9

Message: "That is a Good Word"

Pastor Michael Wuehler

Responding:

Sacrament of Communion

ReEntering:

Blessing/ Sending Words

Sending Music

Closing Music

## Welcome to Emergent Worship

Emergent worship comes from within the community. The origin of the word liturgy is λειτουργία (leitourgia in ancient Greek), “work of the people.” Emergent worship is liturgy. Members of our community provide some of the ideas for this service.

Each service has several elements that do not change from week to week. We take time to center ourselves and we take time to reenter the world. Other parts of the service change each week, especially how we connect to God’s words and the music we use to praise God.

**Worship in January** will revolve around the theme “Discovering Where You Shine.” From Wise Guys who follow a star, to Jesus asking questions in the Temple, we each have unique gifts to share. Join us at 11:00 each week to think through these blessings together.

**Children** are invited to sit in the front (near the action!). We do have nursery care for children through age three. However, we encourage children to worship with us. When they cry, or giggle, or shout “ba!” they remind us to praise God in all things. Quiet toys are available outside the sanctuary in worship bags. Coloring supplies are in the “loft.” Our Children have created a behavior covenant that they live into together.

**Centering Breath** One of the Hebrew words for Spirit is ru’ah, which is also translated as breath. Our centering breath ritual enhances

our participation, sets our intention, and focuses our thoughts. This helps us to be fully present for anything, including worship.

**Music** for this service today is offered by Ric Owen. If you are interested in being a part of music for this worship service, please speak to Pastor Amanda.

**Offering** We take an offering in gratitude to God for what God is doing in our lives.

**Encountering the Word of God** is the central portion of this service. We encounter God’s words in many ways and in many places throughout the week. It is at this point in worship we are especially attentive to listening to God’s words for us.

**ReEntering** We take time at the end of the service to ReEnter the world of our daily lives. On a good day we leave as changed people. We share a blessing with one another to transition into a time of Christian fellowship.

If you are interested in being a part of the planning for the service please let Pastor Amanda know at 289 -4019x111 or [Amanda@cumethodist.com](mailto:Amanda@cumethodist.com). Much of the planning occurs over email, with a quarterly focus meeting.