



BALLANTYNE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

AN EPIPHANYTIDE SERVICE OF WORSHIP

January 11, 2026

11:00 a.m.

<https://www.ballantynepres.com/webcast>

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;

To all who mourn and long for comfort;

To all who struggle and desire victory;

To all who sin and need a Savior;

To all who are strangers and want fellowship;

To all who hunger and thirst for righteousness;

And to whoever will come –

This church opens wide her doors

And offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INSTRUMENTAL INTROIT

* RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 49:6

Leader: I will make you as a light for the nations,

All: That my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.

* HYMN OF PRAISE

The Hymnal 1982 No. 127

Earth Has Many a Noble City

The musical score consists of two staves of music in G clef, 4/4 time, and B-flat key signature. The top staff begins with a forte dynamic. The lyrics are arranged in two stanzas of five lines each, with the second stanza starting on a new line. The music features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some rests and dynamic changes.

1 Earth has man - ya no - ble ci - ty; Beth-lehem, thou dost all ex - cel;
2 Fair - er than the sun at morn-ing was the star that told his birth,
3 East - ern sa - ges at his cra - dle make ob - la - tions rich and rare;
4 Sa - cred gifts of mys - tic mean-ing: in - cense doth their God dis-close,
5 Je - sus, whom the Gen-tiles wor-shiped at thy glad e - piph - a - ny,

1 out of thee the Lord from hea - ven came to rule his Is - ra - el.
2 to the world its God an - nounc-ing seen in flesh - ly form on earth.
3 see them give, in deep de - vo - tion, gold and frank - in - cense and myrrh.
4 gold the King of kings pro - claim - eth, myrrh his sep - ul - cher fore-shows.
5 un - to thee, with God the Fa - ther and the Spi - rit, glo - ry be.

Words: Marcus Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348-410?); tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, alt.

Music: *Stuttgart*, melody from *Psalmody Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesange*, 1715;
adapt. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870); harm. K. D. Smith (b. 1928)

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

O God, our loving Heavenly Father, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face. Fill us with your Spirit to be a light for the nations, that your salvation may reach to the end of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, and who taught us to pray, saying:

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

CONFSSION OF SIN

Leader: O gracious God, do not rebuke us in your anger, nor discipline us in your wrath.

All: You are holy, and our sins keep us from your presence. Heal us from our sin, for which we are troubled.

Leader: Your ways are right, O righteous God. Save us in your mercy, deliver us by your steadfast love.

All: You are merciful to those who seek you. Accept our plea and forgive us all our sins through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hebrews 8:10-12

This is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws into their minds and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God and they shall be my people... For I will be merciful toward their iniquities and I will remember their sins no more.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE IN SONG

What Child Is This?

Trinity Hymnal No. 213

*So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh; come, peasant, king, to own him;
the King of kings salvation brings, let loving hearts enthrone him.
Raise, raise the song on high, the virgin sings her lullaby.
joy, joy for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mary.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 60:1-9, ESV page 619

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH – The Nicene Creed

Trinity Hymnal p. 846

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Trinity Hymnal No. 734

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, Amen.*

THE PRAYER FOR CHURCH AND WORLD

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

INSTRUMENTAL OFFERTORY

We Three Kings of Orient Are **176**

John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1857; alt.

KINGS OF ORIENT: 8. 8. 8. 6. with Refrain
John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1857; alt.

1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; Bear - ing gifts we trav-erse a - far,
 2. Born a king on Beth - le - hem's plain, Gold I bring to crown Him a - gain,
 3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; In - cense owns a De - i - ty nigh;
 4. Myrrh is mine: its bit - ter per - fume Breathes a life of gath-er-ing gloom:
 5. Glo - rious now be - hold Him a - rise, King and God and Sac - ri - fice;



Field and foun - tain, moor and moun-tain, Fol - low - ing yon - der star.
 King for - ev - er, ceas - ing nev - er O - ver us all to reign.
 Prayer and prais - ing all men rais - ing, Wor - ship Him, God on high.
 Sor - rowing, sigh - ing, bleed - ing, dy - ing, Sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
 Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Sounds through the earth and skies.



REFRAIN



O star of won - der, star of night, Star with roy - al beau - ty bright,



West - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to thy per - fect Light. A - MEN.



THE PREACHED WORD OF GOD

Dr. Mantle Nance

Matthew 2:1-12, ESV page 807
“We Three Kings”

* HYMN OF RESPONSE

Trinity Hymnal

As with Gladness Men of Old

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When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. Matt. 2:10

1. As with glad-ness men of old did the guid - ing star be - hold;
 2. As with joy - ful steps they sped to that low - ly cra - dle - bed,
 3. As they of - fered gifts most rare at that cra - dle rude and bare;
 4. Ho - ly Je - sus, ev - 'ry day * keep us in the nar - row way;
 5. In the heav'n - ly coun - try bright need they no cre - at - ed light;

as with joy they hailed its light, lead - ing on - ward, beam- ing bright;
 there to bend the knee be - fore him whom heav'n and earth a - dore;
 • so may we with ho - ly joy, pure, and free from sin's al - loy,
 and when earth - ly things are past, bring our ran - somed souls at last
 thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down;

so, most gra - cious God, may we ev - er - more be led to thee.
 so may we with will - ing feet ev - er seek thy mer - cy seat.
 • all our cost - liest trea - sures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav'n - ly King.
 where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glo - ry hide.
 there for - ev - er may we sing al - le - lu - ias to our King.

*** BENEDICTION**

*** DOXOLOGY**

Trinity Hymnal No. 731

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below:
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Amen*

** Congregation Standing*

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TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering plates will be passed during morning worship. Below are additional ways to give:

ONLINE: <http://www.ballantynepres.com/giving/>

MAIL: Please mail any tithes and offering checks (no cash) to the treasurer's home address and he will ensure the funds are deposited into the church's account: Matt Spear BPC Treasurer, 1722 Tanglebriar Court, Weddington, NC 28104

THIS SUNDAY

No Choir rehearsal – will resume on January 18th

10:00 a.m. Sunday School for ages 3 to adult, nursery available
Adult Sunday School for ages 3 to adult, nursery available
Adult Sunday School is studying The Heidelberg Catechism followed by a **Hymn Preview**, in the sanctuary

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

THIS WEEK

Tuesday Night 6:30 p.m. DINNER & DISCIPLESHIP meet at Kennedy's
Adults of all ages are cordially invited to grow with us! Enjoy dinner, fellowship and prayer support. Our discussion is based on the book *CrossTalk* by Dr. Michael Emlet. Questions? Please ask Sam Bullard 704-451-1569
sbullard2@carolina.rr.com

Wednesday Night DINNER, PRAYER MEETING, & YOUTH GROUP

Please join us for a provided meal 5:45-6:15 p.m. At 6:15, as Dr. Nance leads Prayer Meeting with a devotion and then we will pray together. Youth Group also meets at 6:15 and is studying a series on *Christian Practices/ Disciplines*. Youth Group contacts are Gavin Miller gav4gospel@outlook.com Ethan Wilson emtrwilson@gmail.com

Friday Morning 6:30 a.m. MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We are studying *Creational Worldview* by P. Andrew Sandlin. Contact Willie Mangum with questions.

SAVE THE DATES

Jan. 13 Dinner & Discipleship at Kennedy's, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Jan. 18 *NEW* Sanctity of Human Life Sunday, QCPRC visit & special offering

Jan. 28 No Wednesday meetings, Shepherding groups will meet individually

Feb. 1 Outreach Sunday 6 p.m. Worship at Brightmore; 10am at Pavilion

Feb. 13 Ladies' Bible Study meets on the second Friday of each month at 10 a.m.

CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

12/31/2025	Actual	Budget	Variance
Income/Gifts	\$382,800	\$361,067	\$21,733
Expenses	\$362,332	\$361,067	(\$1,265)
Net Income/(Deficit)	\$20,468	\$0	\$20,468

SESSION

Dr. Mantle Nance	Senior Minister	980-329-8458
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Mr. Dennis Kachmarsky	Clerk	704-996-9561
Mr. Mark Seeley	Elder Emeritus	

DIACONATE

Mr. Sam Bullard	Mercy	704-451-1569
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Mr. Dan Tubaugh	Finance	704-989-7200

STAFF

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Mr. Matt Spear	Treasurer	704-301-0524
Mr. Ethan Wilson	Intern	585-360-5752

MISSIONARIES AND SUPPORTED MINISTRIES

Scott & Victoria Andes	RUF International - USC	Columbia, SC
Juan & Kelsey Rodriguez	RUF - UNCC	Charlotte, NC
Michael & Laura Cochran	World Witness	England
Josh & Abigail Duemler	University Reformed Church	Lansing, MI
*Drew & Lauren Goodman	World Witness	
Josh & Ashley Grimm	RUF - Queens	Charlotte, NC
Lauren Hinkelman	World Witness	Columbia, SC
John & Judy Lehner	Serge for Spain	Charlotte, NC
PAK7		Pakistan
Queen City Pregnancy Resource Ctr.	1505 E. 4 th Street	Charlotte, NC
Rob & Rachel Turner	Arsenal Hill Presbyterian	Columbia, SC
Michael & Lauren Wenzler	RUF National	
Justin & M. Westmoreland	Trinity Presbyterian Ch.	Norman, OK

**Missionary of the Month*

**SHARING THE LOVE OF THE FATHER, THE GRACE OF HIS SON,
AND THE FELLOWSHIP OF HIS SPIRIT IN BALLANTYNE AND BEYOND.**