

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF MONTAGUE,  
TRINITARIAN, MONTAGUE, MA  
The Five Sundays in Epiphany  
(January 5 to March 2, 2025)**

*Bold italics indicate the work of the people.  
\*Indicates places to stand if able to.*

**PRELUDE  
PROCESSIONAL  
ANNOUNCEMENTS  
MOMENT OF SILENCE IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Giver of every good gift, source of all goodness and light,  
We open the treasure chests of our hearts before you  
We offer you gifts of gold  
to care for those in need.  
We offer you gifts of love,  
to serve a suspicious world.  
Bless our gifts and our lives,  
and use them to love and heal the world.*

**UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION\***

*Light of God, expose the darkness that stalks our souls and fill each temple of the Holy Spirit present today. Illumine our hearts and light the way that leads to salvation. Fit us for service as instruments of your reign of peace and justice in all the world.*

**\*HYMN OF GATHERING** (see insert)

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION\***

*God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all creation. We confess that our sin has hidden from us your light. We have turned away from the poor, ignored cries for justice; we have not striven for peace. Forgive us*

*and cleanse us with your Spirit, so that your glory may shine forth through us.*

**\*ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

*Brothers and Sisters, in Christ we are forgiven.  
May the light of Christ shine through in all we say and do.*

**\*A Gloria**

*From all that dwells below the skies, Let the Creator's praise arise!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Let the Redeemer's name be sung,  
Let God the Spirit loose each tongue!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

(See insert)

**SERMON**

**HYMN**

**PRAYERS**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns  
Prayers of Intercession  
Lord's Prayer  
Prayer Response

**\*DOXOLOGY AND PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*  
(sung to the tune of Old 100<sup>th</sup>)

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

*With gratitude for all that you provide, dear God, and to the service*

*of the world you love so much, we dedicate these gifts and our lives to you, in Jesus name. Amen*

**COMMUNION**  
**(First Sunday/see insert)**

**\*CLOSING HYMN** (See Insert)

**\*BENEDICTION**

**Response** (To the tune of “We Three Kings”)

*Glorious now, behold him arise, King and God and sacrifice;  
Alleluia, alleluia! Sounds through the earth and skies. O, star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright. Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.*

**POSTLUDE**

(Please remain seated for the Postlude)

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