

Church in the Forest

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Monday morning, January 2, 2018

Dear Friends,

HAPPY 2018—Where's Jesus?

Remember the character Waldo, who dressed in a red and white striped shirt, wore a bobble hat and glasses, and could be found hiding in a crowd? Waldo was a lovable time traveler hidden in plain sight and manifested in four-color glory amongst ordinary folks engaged in a variety of activities.

The celebration of the Epiphany of our Lord invites us to look for manifestations of Jesus in the world, in our communities, and in our lives. Jesus has been hidden in plain sight since birth yet often obscured by the glaring light and noise of the world's powers and principalities.

Where's Jesus? He's everywhere. He's as near as your neighbor and as far as the deepest darkest recesses of the cosmos. He's holding the hurting, helping the hungry, comforting the afflicted, and afflicting the comfortable. He's as near as the hands and eyes and heart with which we minister. Where's Jesus? Look around you. If you really look, you will see and experience him, and that's what the Epiphany is all about.

I look forward to finding Jesus with you (and in you) as we gather for worship Sunday. We celebrate Jesus' manifestation in the bread and wine of the Eucharist, a fitting feast for Epiphany.

See you Sunday!



the Reverend Ken Feske

ANNOUNCEMENTS: New members will be received into the church on **January 21**. Please contact **Pastor Joanne** or **Sherry St. Clair** to let us know of your desire to join.

Small Groups are gatherings where CitF members and friends can explore faith and deepen fellowship. You are invited to...

- The *Small Group Bible Study* resumes this **Sunday at 8:30 AM** in the Multipurpose Room.
- *Sisters in the Forest, Men's Small Group, and the Grieving Group* are all on holiday break.

The **2018 Flower Calendar** is posted and awaiting your sign-ups! The sponsorship is \$75 and we can have two flower sponsors per week. Your generosity enables us to have beautiful, fresh flowers grace our sanctuary each week!

Other Sign-ups! We need you! As well as flowers, we need cookie sponsors (none signed up so far this month!), as well as other participants (lector, crucifer, ushers—you name it!)

The ***Burning of the Greens*** will, we hope, take place at **4:30 PM on January 7 at #11 Seal Rock Picnic Area** (*Pending approval—all burn permits have been temporarily suspended due to California wildfires*). It will be announced whether “we have a go” at church this Sunday.

Calendar

Sunday January 7, 2018 — First Sunday after the Epiphany

8:30 AM Bible Study in the Multipurpose Room led by the Reverend Ken Feske. Topic: Matthew 2:1–12

9:15 AM **Chapel Concertino**

9:30 AM **Holy Communion**

Passages Isaiah 60:1–6; Psalm 72:1–7, 10–14; Matthew 2:1–12

Lector Bob Perry

Crucifer Skip Lord

Ushers Bob and Cynthia Perry

Cookies Annah and Bill Rolland/Mia and David Jarick

Flowers Skip & Liz Lord

Prayers of the People Mia Jarick

Oblation Bearer Liz Lord

Altar Care Martha Jordan, Linda Mackie, Sandy Rice

Sermon the Reverend Ken Feske

Title “The Shining That Comes In The Night”

Music Box

JANUARY 7, 2018

Laura Anderson, soprano
Melinda Coffey Armstead, piano & organ

CHAPEL CONCERTINO

- King Jesus Hath A Garden trad. Dutch
har. by Charles Wood (1866–1926)
- A Christmas Carol..... Ned Rorem (b. 1923)
- O Men From the Fields.....Arnold Cooke (1906–2005)
- The First Mercy..... Peter Warlock (1894–1930)
- Whence Comes This Rush of Wings Afar?..... trad. French carol
- The Birds.....Benjamin Britten (1913–1976)
- The Work of ChristmasDan Forrest (b. 1978)
- Noel I sur les jeux d’anches Louis Claude Daquin (1694–1772)

BABY:

Bits of star-dust blown from the hand of God. Luck the woman
who knows the Pangs of birth for she has held a star.

—*Lawrence Barretto*

A mother’s anchor. She cannot swing far from her moorings.

—*Henry Ward Beecher*

An angel whose wings decrease as his legs increase.

—*French proverb*

God’s opinion that the world should go on.

—*Carl Sandburg*

Melinda Coffey Armstead



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