



Valley Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Dear Friend in Christ,

Welcome to 2021! May the new year bring many new blessings as you worship God, heed God's word, and follow God's Son. This Sunday commemorates the visitation of the Magi, but while the Magi have their visitation, I am having my winter hibernation! My Disciples of Christ colleague Rev. Vanessa Myers-Dudley will be bringing the message, and I am delighted to introduce her to you. Pastor Vanessa was ordained by our Ohio region after earning her Master of Divinity degree at Eden Theological Seminary in St. Louis, and she most recently served as minister of First Christian Church in Chillicothe, Ohio.

Please use following phone numbers and links between 10:15am and 10:30am. You can join in one of two ways:

By computer, smart phone or tablet:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86757133623?pwd=OTFUQWJvU21MMmR6bkY5SitpelR1UT09>

By Phone: 1 (312) 626 6799 ID 867 5713 3623, Passcode 205879

(If you need a live link to the Worship link, you can go to the homepage of our website at www.vccbhm.org with the passcode 205879 OR click on "Links to Zoom" then the Sunday Worship link.)

I look forward to seeing you on my return next Sunday!

Christ's and yours,
Pastor Eric

Valley Christian Church

Second Sunday of Christmas

January 3, 2021

PRELUDE

"A Celebration of Carols"

*Margaret Cox
Pianist*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Where is the child?
People: In Bethlehem of Judea
Leader: You, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah
People: Are by no means the least among the rulers of Judah
Leader: For from you shall come a ruler
People: Who is to shepherd God's people Israel

*Stewart Draper
Worship Leader*

(Matthew 2:2, 5-6, NRSV)

HYMN OF PRAISE

"We Three Kings"

*We three kings of Orient are
Bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain, moor and mountain
Following yonder star*

*O star of wonder, star of light
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy perfect light*

*Glorious now, behold him arise
King, and God, and sacrifice
Alleluia, alleluia, sounds through the earth and skies*

*O star of wonder, star of light
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy perfect light*

INVOCATION

*Stewart Draper
Worship Leader*

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Vanessa Myers-Dudley

SCRIPTURE

John 1:(1-9), 10-18
Matthew 2:1-12

*Stewart Draper
Worship Leader*

MESSAGE

Rev. Vanessa Myers-Dudley

HYMN

"As With Gladness"

*As with gladness sages bold did the guiding star behold
As with joy they hailed its light
Leading onward, beaming bright
So true Morningstar may we more your splendor see*

*As with joyful steps they sped to the lowly manger bed
There to bend the knee before
One whom heaven and earth adore
So may we with willing feet ever seek your mercy seat*

*As they offered gifts most rare at the manger plain, bare
So may we with holy joy pure and free from sins alloy
All our costly treasures bring
Christ to you, from whom they spring*

SHARING OUR OFFERING WITH GOD

Share your financial offering with the church by mail or bring it by the church office. Thank you for your love gifts.

*Stewart Draper
Worship Leader*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

*Stewart Draper
Worship Leader*

CALL TO COMMUNION

Rev. Vanessa Myers-Dudley

COMMUNION HYMN

"Sing of God Made Manifest"

*Sing of God made manifest in a child robust and blest
To whose whom in Bethlehem a star has guided them*

*Magi came and gifts unbound, mysterious & profound
Myrrh, frankincense, and gold, grave and God and king
foretold*

*Sing of God made manifest
When Christ came as wedding guest
And at Cana gave a sign, turning water into wine
Further still was love revealed as taught, forgave, and
healed
Bringing light and life to all who'd listen to God's call*

**COMMUNION
PRAYER**

Conclude by praying together the Lord's Prayer

*Carolyn Nunnelly
Elder*

**HOLY
COMMUNION**

Partake of the holy communion (bread, juice, or
whatever is available to you)

**WORDS OF
INSTITUTION**

Hear the words of Jesus when He said, "Take and
eat, this is my body, broken for you. Take and drink,
this is the cup of the covenant poured out for you."

*Rev. Vanessa Myers-
Dudley*

BENEDICTION

*Rev. Vanessa Myers-
Dudley*

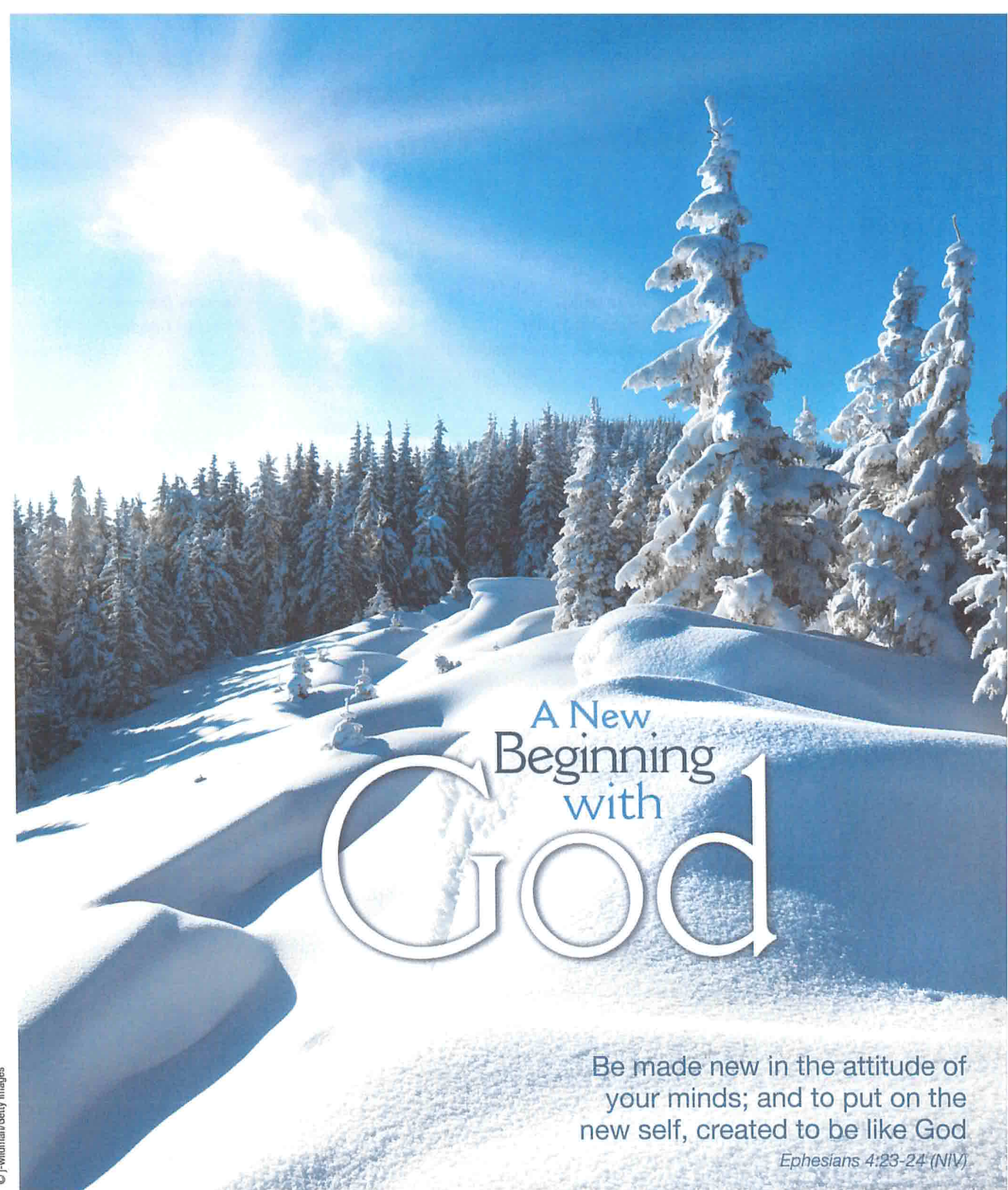
POSTLUDE

"O Come, Let Us Adore Him"

*Margaret Cox
Pianist*

*You are warmly invited to remain in our Zoom worship space for some online
fellowship time following the postlude.*

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Be made new in the attitude of
your minds; and to put on the
new self, created to be like God

Ephesians 4:23-24 (NIV)