

# 6 January 2013\*Announcements

Today is Epiphany - the day we celebrate Christ being revealed to and for the world. "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world" John the Baptist (John 1.29)

As the Christmas season ends, I find myself very reflective on how good 2012 was - not always easy, there were many tears – but good in the sense that we clearly saw God at work bringing about our greatest good to His exclusive honor. The very gracious gift that the church gave to me was humbling and much appreciated. This is a family of love, joy, fun and life. Christ in you is the true gift and I am very excited about what 2013 will hold for us. All I know is that God is already there! Pastor Tom

If you completed the challenge to read the bible through this year. Please meet right after the service at the pulpit to plan our dinner!

Our mid-week Bible Studies begin again this week. We will meet on Thursdays at 10:30am and 7:00pm. Pick which one works best for your schedule and coming with your bibles, questions and desire to learn. These are great times to invite a friend along.

The WELL's own Brian Everett has earned Scouting's highest rank - Eagle Scout. Everyone is invited to attend his Eagle Scout Court of Honor on Sunday, January 13 at 2 pm. The ceremony will take place at the Troop 48 Scout Shack which is on the hill above Timberlake United Methodist Church. A reception will follow the ceremony. We are so proud of you, Brian!

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## **Epiphany Litany**

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God, Alleluia!

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, Alleluia!

With joy let us pray to our Savior,

#### O Christ.

let your gospel shine in every place where the Word of life is not yet received. Draw the whole creation to yourself that your salvation may be known through all the earth. The grace of God be with us all. AMEN.

O Christ, Savior and Lord, extend your church to every place. Make it a place of welcome for people of every race and tongue.

### The grace of God be with us all.

O Christ, Master of all, support of the weak and comfort of the afflicted, strengthen the tempted and raise the fallen. Watch over the lonely and those in danger. Give hope to the despairing and sustain the faith of the persecuted.

### The grace of God be with us all.

O Christ, light that made manifest as the true light of God, gladden our hearts on the joyful morning of your glory; call us by our name on the great Day of your coming; and give us grace to offer, with all the hosts of heaven, unending praise to God in whom all things find their ending, now and forever. Amen.

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