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Order of Worship 08 January 2023 Epiphany

We Gather to Worship God

Welcome Worship in Song Call to Worship Worship in Song

We Listen to the Word

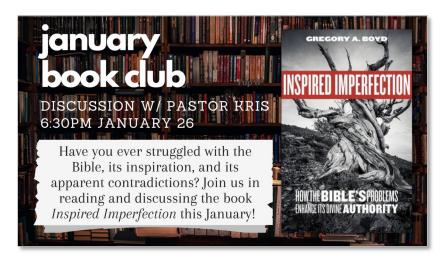
Prayer
Sermon: "The Good, the Great, & the Baby Jesus"

We Come to the Table

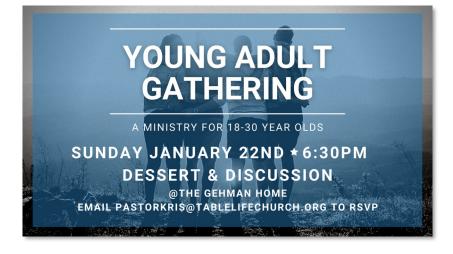
Prayer of Confession and Consecration
The Lord's Prayer
We Eat and Drink Together
We Celebrate the Eucharist in Song
Prayer

We Go to Live in the Reign of God

Community Life
Gossiping the Good Stuff
Doxology
Blessing and Sending







NOTES:



"The Good, the Great & the Baby Jesus" Olivia Edmunds Director of Family Ministries

Matthew 2:1-8

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea. during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem ² and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." ³ When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. 4 When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. 5 "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written: 6 "'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.'" ⁷ Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. 8 He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him."

Matthew 1:18-21

This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be

married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly. ²⁰ But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

Matthew 2:13-15

When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. "Get up," he said, "take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him." ¹⁴ So he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for Egypt, ¹⁵ where he stayed until the death of Herod. And so was fulfilled what the Lord had said through the prophet: "Out of Egypt I called my son."

Big Idea:	
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Doggy Bag-Some questions to chew on:



- 1. What story are you being invited into this new year?
- 2. When God calls out to you, are you listening?
- 3. When you get let in on the story what feels threatening to you?
- 4. What would it look like if our church sought to be good not great going into this still new-ish year? What if followers of Jesus sought to be good not great?

