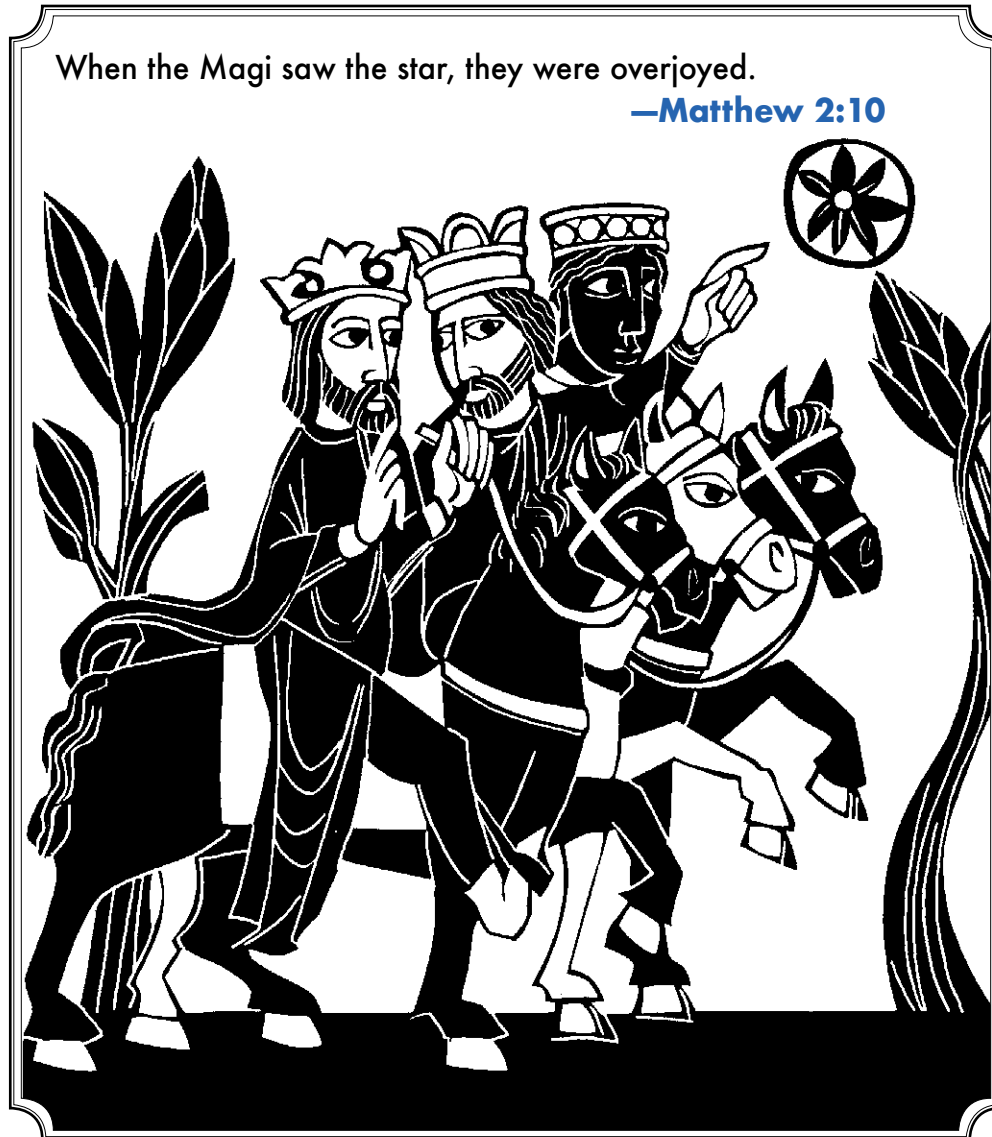


New Covenant Fellowship

December 10, 2023

“Joy–Choosing Another Way” by Leonard Dow



ORDER OF SERVICE

Hallelujah, Salvation, and Glory

Welcome (Renée)

O Come, O Come (2 verses, 2 candles)

Wait for the Lord (Taize)

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Prayer (Walt and Lee Ann)

Matthew 2:1-12 (Kathy & Francois)

“Joy–Choosing Another Way” (Leonard Dow)

Communion

I Delight Greatly in the Lord

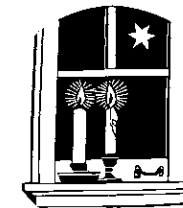
Take Us Home by Another Way (2 vs)

I Command My Mouth

Hanukkah candles (Judy Checker)

Benediction (Melissa Logsdon)

Prepare Ye



BENEDICTION

God of hope, you call us home
from the exile of selfish oppression
to the freedom of justice, the balm of healing,
and the joy of sharing.
Make us strong to join you in your holy work,
as friends of strangers and victims,
companions of those whom others shun,
and as the happiness
of those whose hearts are broken.
We make our prayer
through Jesus the Anointed.
Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leadership Team— In our [Dec 4 meeting](#), we prayed the Beatitudes and prayerfully considered how to strengthen our fellowship through increased communication as we emerge from pandemic restrictions.

Vote Affirmation—The annual vote to confirm the non-profit board and the vote to hire Melissa Logsdon as part-time Associate Pastor both passed with an overwhelming majority. Thanks to all who participated and to Melissa and the board.

Reparations Conversation—Check out Jeff Trask’s [interview in Smile Politely](#) and tune in to WILL-AM Monday, December 11 at 11 a.m to hear Robin Rue Simmons and Jeff Trask in conversation on the 21st Show.

Advent Resource—Don Shay shares the [Advent Calendar for Peace](#) which emerged from Stellenbosch, South Africa in a context of profound uncertainty and change. May the readings, reflections, and music bless your Advent devotions.

Spring is Coming! You are invited to come out on Saturday, December 16th, at 6pm to an Evening with Spring, organized by the Uni Sprabitat Club (Spring + Habitat). Connect with Spring students and staff, enjoy yummy food and entertainment, and support our work. [RSVP via this link](#). Thank you, Sprabitat Club, for putting on this wonderful event every year! [Info flyer](#).

Spring at NCF—Sunday, Dec 17, we will host students and staff from Spring Initiative in Clarksdale, MS in our worship service, including a get-acquainted activity. After service, all are invited to stay for Papa Del’s lunch in the fellowship hall. Email barblinder@gmail.com if you plan to attend. Please meet, greet and enjoy our Clarksdale branch of the family!

Meals Please! Contact Kathy Kearney-Grobler to provide meals to Kathy Wright after major surgery.

Upcoming Events:

Dec 11	Jeff and Robin on WILL at 11 am
Dec 16	RSVP for visit with Spring students/staff
Dec 17	Spring Initiative visits with NCF
Dec 24	Prayer @NCF 9:45-10:15 am

CONTACTS

Leadership Team: LT@ncf-cu.com

Caroline H, Laurie K, Carolyn V (secretary),
Jason (consultant)

Finance Team: Joyce, Paco, Tim, Patty, & Walt

Family Fund: Karen H, Barbara P, Judy H, Nancy M, & Lehman W

Reparations: Jeff, Sharon, Vern, & Gladys

Pastors: Renée (lead), Melissa (assoc), Jeff (adjunct)

Pastors’ Day Off: Fridays

Pastors’ email: Please see the
NCF directory

November tithes: \$16,731.20; Reparations Fund: \$100.00; Thanksgiving Offering: \$3,265.00. Thank you!