

**Please remember in your prayers:**

The unity, mission and ministry of the Holy Church, especially here in Stamford; those in authority in town, district, county and nation; the suffering people of Gaza, Lebanon and Israel, of Ukraine and wherever there is conflict or oppression; the people of Syria as they try to rebuild their nation; the sick, the departed. Those suffering as a result of war or oppression; the homeless in our nation and district.

## Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Unity of all believers was so important to our Lord that he prayed on the night of his betrayal that we might be one, as he and his Father are One. In the seven days 18th - 25th January, please pray with Christians across the world for the unity of the Church, and join our brothers and sisters in Christ at **Barn Hill Methodist**

**Church on Sunday 19th January at 5pm,**

17:00hrs for an ecumenical service,  
arranged by Churches Together in  
Stamford.



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## 5th January 2025, Epiphany, 09:30

**Processional Hymn:** NEH 49, Brightest and best

**Kyries and Gloria:** Merbecke, NEH 542 (page 558)

**Collect:** O God, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles: mercifully grant that we, who know thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of thy glorious Godhead; ...

**First Reading:** Isaiah 60: 1-6

**Gradual Motet:** Tres Magi de gentibus, C S Lang

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 3: 1-12

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia. We have seen his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.

**Gospel:** Matthew 2: 1-12

**Sermon:** The Rev Fr James McWhirter

**Offertory Hymn:** NEH 47, As with gladness

**Sanctus, Benedictus & Agnus Dei:** Ives

**Communion Music:** Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern, M. Reger

**Post Communion Prayer:** O Lord our God, the bright splendour whom the nations seek: grant that we, who with the wise men have been drawn by thy light, may discern the glory of thy presence in thy Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Post Communion Hymn:** NEH 52, O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

**The Organ Voluntary:** Epilogue on 'Dix', W H Harris

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