The Epiphany of Our Lord



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WE WELCOME YOU!

We are so pleased that you came to worship with us today! As you are open to the word of the Lord that is sung, spoken or read, you will be blessed. This Sunday is Epiphany. Epiphany is the revelation of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles, represented by the Magi (the Wisemen) in Matthew 2:1–12. The Wisemen brought gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. But the greatest gift of all is more precious than gold, more holy than the spices of the temple, it is God's gift of a Savior in the Christ-child.

CALL TO WORSHIP Light Of The World (Sing Hallelujah) We The Kingdom WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Stand for last verse of hymn

HYMN OF INVOCATION - ANGELS FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY LSB 367



INVOCATION

Matthew 28:19b (18:20)

The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit

C Amen.

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** Who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

CONFESSION OF SINS

1 John 1:9-10

- **P** O almighty God,
- Merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

ABSOLUTION [John 20:19–23]

- Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

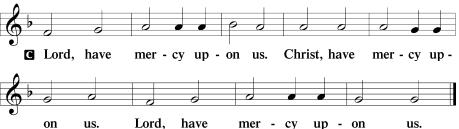
SERVICE OF THE WORD

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Psalm 45:6–8a; antiphon: v. 17

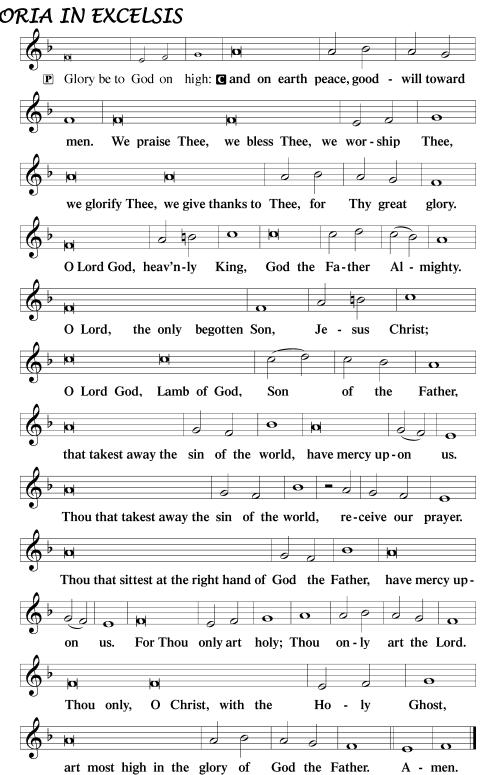
- L I will cause your name to be remembered in all generations;
- **C** Therefore nations will praise You forever and ever.
- Your throne, O God, is forever and ever. The scepter of your kingdom is a scepter of uprightness;
- You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness.
- Therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions;
- Your robes are all fragrant with myrrh and aloes and cassia.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- L I will cause your name to be remembered in all generations;
- **C** I will cause your name to be remembered in all generations;

KYRIE Mark 10:47



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



SALUTATION

- **L** The Lord is with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **L** Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of a star You made known Your only-begotten Son to the Gentiles. Lead us, who know You by faith, to enjoy in heaven the fullness of Your divine presence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be Seated

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 60:1-6

¹Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. ²For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. ³And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. ⁴Lift up your eyes all around, and see; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried on the hip. ⁵Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and exult, because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. ⁶A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall bring good news, the praises of the LORD.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 3:1–12

¹For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles—
²assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly. ⁴When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ, ⁵which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit. ⁶This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. ⁷Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God's grace, which was given me by the working of his power. ⁸To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, ⁹and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things, ¹⁰so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. ¹¹This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in

Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹²in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Please Stand

ALLELUIA



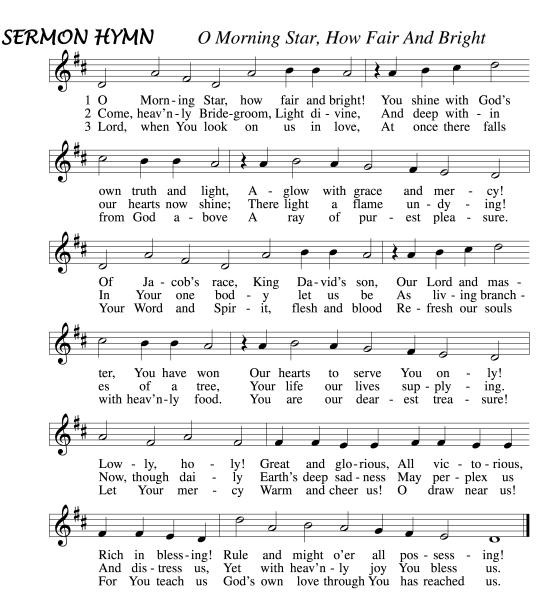
HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 2:1–12

- The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter, beginning at the 1st verse.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, ²saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." ³When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: 6"And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel." ⁷Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. ⁸And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." ⁹After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. ¹¹And going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. ¹²And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be Seated



SERMON

"This Little Child"

Please Stand

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the

Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life \pm of the world to come. Amen.



Psalm 51:10-12



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition:

- L Lord, in Your mercy,
- C Hear our prayer.

Final petition:

- May Your light shine on us and bring forth the fruits of repentance in our daily lives. Give us confidence in Your Word, that we would embrace Your holy will without fear. Hear and answer us, we pray, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

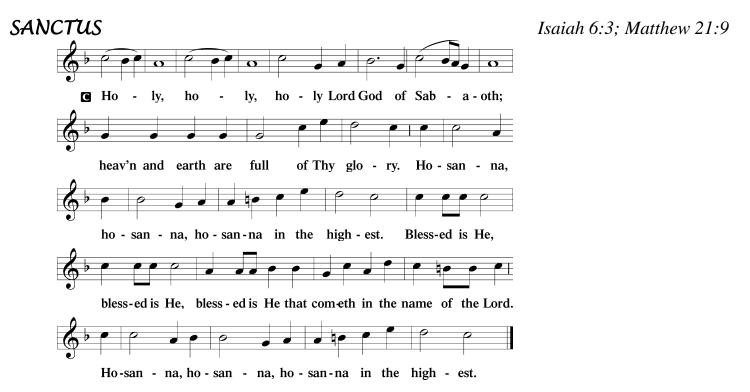
PREFACE

2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136

- **P** The Lord is with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them up unto the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- **C** It is meet and right so to do.

PROPER PREFACE

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9–13

- P Taught to us by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI John 20:19

- P May the peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

AGNUS DEI John 1:29



Please be Seated

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Luke 2:29-32

Please Stand



THANKSGIVING Psalm 107:1

- Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,
- And His mercy endures forever.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

 $[\mathbf{P}]$ Let us pray.

> O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

 \mathbf{C} Amen.

BENEDICAMUS Psalm 103:1

- \mathbf{P} Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24-26

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.



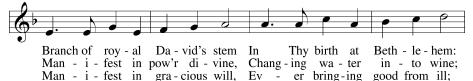
CLOSING HYMN Songs Of Thankfulness And Praise

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- Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King Man - i - fest at
- 3 Man i fest in mak-ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;







SENDING John 14:27

- **P** Go in peace and serve the Lord!
- C Thanks be to God!



INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS: Please join us Sunday January 19, 2025 for the installation of our new Trinity Lutheran Church Board Officers for 2025/2026. *Thank you to all that have come forward to serve Trinity and our Community.*

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