

The Epiphany of Our Lord



January 6, 2019 8:00am
Trinity Lutheran Church

*Trinity is a member of the Prince of Peace Lutheran School Association
and the Good Shepherd Community.*

Welcome

Those Serving Today

Officiating Today		Rev. David Hinz
Organist	8:00am	Daniel Reineke
Musicians	10:30am	Ruth Immerfall
Screen Team	8:00am	Mark Weitalla
	10:30am	Eric Hansen
Lector	8:00am	Josh Borgerding
	10:30am	Alison Reginek
Acolyte	8:00am	Katie Zimmer, Collin Fuchs
	10:30am	Emily Novak, Chloe Molitor
Visuals		Daniel Reineke
Altar Guild		Connie Mooney, Donna Esselman
Information Desk	Zone – 5	Marie Mendel
	Zone – 1	Barb Mingo
Greeters	Zone – 5	Diane Haffner, Marie Mendel, Amy Schaefer
	Zone – 1	Shirley Skuza, Lori Zipp
Ushers	Zone – 5	Luke Wendt, Jim & Kathy Stueve, Trevor Jevne, Dennis Bacon
	Zone – 1	Mark Helgeson, Dick Mingo, Norm Greenwaldt, Bob Koroll, Dan Reberg, Russ Riehm
Lay Minister	8:00am	Jeff Snyder, Kyle Dusing
	10:30am	Justin Hackett

If you have difficulty standing during the worship service, please feel free to remain seated during those parts of the service.

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Divine Service Setting 4 (LSB pg 203)

January 6, 2019

8:00 a.m.

AS WE GATHER The star that once led the Magi to the Christ Child is a type of the light that God has caused to shine so that all of us may know Christ Jesus as Savior and Redeemer. We would not have known Him except that the Lord made the light to shine in our darkness to reveal Jesus Christ to us and to lead our fearful hearts to faith. The star still shines through the light of God's Word and leads us into the presence of Him whom the Father sent to be our Savior. The glory of God is His steadfast love and mercy, which He has revealed in Jesus Christ. In Him we have been bidden, and in Him we come. Like Luther put it in the explanation of the Creed, the faithful response is to serve, praise, thank, and obey the Lord whom God has sent. And by the power of the Holy Spirit, that is exactly what we have come to do today—worship Christ, the Lord of the world.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" LSB 398

INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P: Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

KYRIE



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

GLORIA



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good - will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit.

P: 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.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT: Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

² For 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.

³ And nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your rising.

⁴ Lift 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.

⁵ Then 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.

⁶ A 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.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 72: 1–11

P: Give the king your justice, O God,

C: and your righteousness to the royal son!

P: May he judge your people with righteousness,

C: and your poor with justice!

P: Let the mountains bear prosperity for the people,

C: and the hills, in righteousness!

P: May he defend the cause of the poor of the people, give deliverance to the children of the needy,

C: and crush the oppressor!

P: May they fear you while the sun endures,

C: and as long as the moon, throughout all generations!

P: May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass,

C: like showers that water the earth!

P: In his days may the righteous flourish,

C: and peace abound, till the moon be no more!

P: May he have dominion from sea to sea,

C: and from the River to the ends of the earth!

P: May desert tribes bow down before him

C: and his enemies lick the dust!

P: May the kings of Tarshish and of the coastlands render him tribute;

C: may the kings of Sheba and Seba bring gifts!

P: May all kings fall down before him,

C: all nations serve him!

**ALL: 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.**

EPISTLE: Ephesians 3:1-12

For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles—
² assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³ how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly. ⁴ When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ, ⁵ which 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. ⁶ This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

⁷ Of 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. ⁸ To 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, ⁹ and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God, who created all things, ¹⁰ so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known

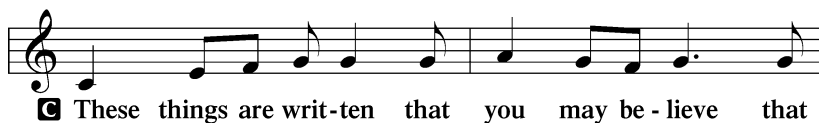
to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. ¹¹ This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹² in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

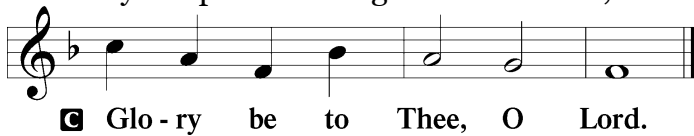
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ALLELUIA AND VERSE



HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 2:1-12

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter.



Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, ² saying, “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.” ³ When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and 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.



NICENE CREED (*Back cover of LSB hymnal*)

Sit

HYMN: “We Three Kings of Orient Are” (*see video screens*)

THE MESSAGE

OFFERING (*Please sign and date the Rite of Friendship pad located in the pew. The children are invited to bring their offerings to the front at this time.*)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

HOLY COMMUNION

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, 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:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho- san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

P: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER *(Back cover of LSB hymnal)*

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

About Holy Communion—The Lord’s Supper is celebrated here in the belief and glad confidence that our Lord gives us as He says, not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. If this is your belief, we welcome you to join us at the Lord’s table.

Because we are called to examine ourselves before receiving the Lord’s Supper (I Corinthians 11:28-29), we encourage you to consider the questions on p. 329-330 in the front of the hymnal. If you are communing with us for the first time, or if you would like a fuller understanding of what we as Lutherans believe about the Lord’s Supper, please pick up a copy of **“What is the Lord’s Supper?”** at the Information table in the entryway.

Please reserve the white grape juice cups in the center of the communion trays for those who for health reasons are unable to drink wine. If your health requires gluten-free wafers, they are available upon request. Speak to the pastor prior to the service. Our pastors are happy to speak to you further if you have any questions.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: “Arise and Shine in Splendor” LSB 396

NUNC DIMITTIS



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All

part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the

glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: Let us pray... Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor ✠ and give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: "As With Gladness Men of Old" LSB 397 vs. 1-3, & 5



Calendar for the Week

Epiphany Sunday

8:00am Worship (HC) Z5
 9:15am S. S. & Bible Class
 10:30am Worship Z1
 12:00pm Anyuak Worship

MONDAY

7:00pm Prop. Team Mtg.

TUESDAY

9:00am Circuit Pastor's Mtg.
 7:00pm Friends in Harmony

WEDNESDAY

7:00am Men's Bible Study at GS
 5:00pm God's Grub
 6:00pm Conf. Classes
 6:15pm Women's Bible Study

THURSDAY

5:30pm Lay Ministry Mtg.
 6:00pm Girl Scouts Mtg.
 6:00pm Worship Team
 6:00pm Finance Team Mtg.
 6:30pm Leadership Team Mtg.

FRIDAY

9:00am Parish Workers
 6:00pm Narc. Anon.

SATURDAY

9:00am Altar Guild
 2:00pm Private Event

Baptism of Our Lord

8:00am Worship Z2
 9:15am S. S. & Bible Class
 10:30am Worship(HC) Z3
 12:00pm Anyuak Worship
 3:00pm 4H Mtg.
 4:00pm Creative Crafts

Our Response in Faith

WEEK OF	TIME	ATTENDANCE
12/30/2018	8:00am	94
12/30/2018	10:30am	130
		224
	OFFERINGS	
Gen. Fund Offerings	12/19;12/23;12/24; 12/2512/30	\$1266; \$7755.98; \$7630; \$3031.65; \$10533.20
Build. Debt Offerings	12/23;12/30	\$951.00; \$717.00
Total		\$31,884.83
Missions		\$603.00
Rec'd to-date		\$21,175.37
Ann. Promised		\$23,000.00

Readings for next Sunday:
Isaiah 43:1-7; Romans 6:1-11
Luke 3:15-22

Today's Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Robert & Nancy Michael, and John & Janet Kardell & family in memory of Robert and Elizabeth Kiekow. We thank them for generously making this broadcast possible. We have openings in February and March. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast, please complete a form and turn it in. The cost of a full broadcast is \$90. Forms are available in the church office. The service airs on WVAL 800 on the AM dial, at 8:00am, and live on the internet at

www.800wval.com.





Sunday Morning Fellowship January our hosts are JoAnn Kath and Donna Esselman. Members who have last names beginning with the letters “A & B” are asked to bring treats for our fellowship time. If you can help, please sign up on the bulletin board.

Please remember in your prayers this week: Betty Winczewski, Judy Heintze, Riley Stockinger, Jessica Raveling, Bonnie Duea, Les Fread & Pam Hadley undergoing medical care and following surgery. Steve Robarge (brother of Bob Robarge), Jim Bump, Janine Lutgen (sister of Mona Hanson), Donald Zwick and Sandy Duffey as they continue their cancer treatment and care.

LCEF is celebrating 40 years with a limited-time offer of a 4% term note for 40 months on new money. See the kiosk for more details or contact Lori Wendt.

Trinity Prayer Shawl Ministry...We hope that you will consider giving a prayer shawl, especially at Christmas, to someone who is going through an illness or difficult time. You are welcome to ask at the Welcome desk on Sunday morning or to call the office. You may pick the one you choose and they are considered gifts from Trinity.

Attention ALL Thrivent members! Did you know each of you are allowed two \$250 action team gift cards EACH YEAR? Strongly consider using yours for Trinity events (God's Grub, an outing, Sunday School, VBS, potluck, service project, etc.). It starts with an idea powered by your passion. Bring it together to make an immediate impact on a cause you care about. We'll help get you started. In His service, Trinity Leadership Team.

An anonymous member has donated \$10,000 to Trinity's Memorial Reserve fund, with a challenge that this amount be matched by the congregation by January 13th, 2019. Let's meet this challenge! Specify in the memo line, your special gift to the Memorial Reserve Fund.

Place of Hope is raising funds to replace their vans. Please see the info. desk for a packet of information regarding this worthwhile fundraiser!

God's Grub this week: Spaghetti and Bread Sticks

Trinity's Newly Elected Leaders:
President: Terry Kurash, Vice President: John Alstrup,
Treasurer: Mark Helgeson, Secretary: Katie Dusing

What is it? Operation “All On Board” is the opportunity we want to present to as many members of our Prince of Peace Lutheran School Association to “come on board” with their support for our school as we approach our annual Legacy Benefit Dinner and Auction April 7. Our theme this year is “The Promises of God” especially when it comes to raising children in the Christian faith based on Proverbs 22:6 – “Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it.”

How will it happen? We will be placing large glass jugs in our Association congregations during the months of January and February. Members of our Association congregations will be invited to place their change (cash donations also welcome) in these jugs in the weeks leading up to our Benefit. Our goal is to give as many people as possible and especially those who are unable to attend the Dinner and Auction the opportunity to financially support our ministry of providing a Christ-centered education to children, helping to “train them up in the way” of Christ.

How will these gifts be used? 100% of every gift will be used to help pay for all of the costs that come with the operation of our school. In a real way then, every gift becomes an investment in the children attending Prince of Peace Lutheran School where each child is receiving an education for life centered on Christ.

And please pray! Pray for our school – our students and teachers and staff. Ask our gracious Lord to bless our efforts to provide a Christian education to every family who desires it for their children. Please come to the Legacy Benefit Dinner and Auction on April 7th. And if you are unable to attend, please prayerfully consider this as one way you can “come on board” and provide support for the ministry of Prince of Peace Lutheran School.

AARP Safe Drivers Update Class will be held at Trinity on Wednesday, January 23rd from 12:30 to 4:30pm in the Fellowship hall. Taking this refresher gives you a 10% discount on your car insurance. The cost is \$17 for AARP members and \$22 for non-members. Call the church office to register: 320-252-3670.

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Prince of Peace Lutheran School during National Lutheran Schools Week, January 31-February 1st. There will be an excellent choice of books available, preschool through grade 8. If you are all “booked up” those two days, orders can be taken online from January 23-February 5, at bookfairs.scholastic.com. If you have any questions, please contact Lori Lentz, Book Fair Chairperson, at 251-1477.

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**WE WELCOME FAMILIES WITH
CHILDREN**

We are glad you are here! If there is a time during the Worship Service that you feel your child (or you) needs a “time out,” please feel free to leave the service. If you leave the service, you can go to the **lobby** or use the **large conference room** across from the church office. The conference room has speakers and one-way glass so you can still participate in Worship. During the Sunday school hour, (9:15am – 10:15am) and during the 10:30am worship service the **nursery** is staffed for children 0-3 years old. The nursery is in the preschool on the north end of the building. It is the first classroom on the left as you enter the preschool parent lounge area. There are also speakers in the nursery so you can listen to the service.



Activity bags for young children to use are in the plastic tub outside the church office.

FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE, WE OFFER THESE AND OTHER SERVICES:

Large Print Editions of our bulletins are available from our ushers by request. **If you need further information**, ask any usher or church member. Also be sure to stop by the Information Desk in the lobby. Your needs are important to us!

Bible Study for Adults on Sundays: we start at 9:15am in the fellowship hall.
Coffee & Fellowship – after the 8:00am service, come by the kitchen, have a cookie, coffee and time for fellowship.
Come and meet old friends and make new friends!