

Epiphany of Our Lord

January 6, 2019



♪ Hymns ♪

Gathering Song	#303	<i>Brightest and Best of the Stars</i>
Hymn of the Day	#302	<i>As with Gladness Men of Old</i>
Distribution Music ¹	#296	<i>What Child Is This</i>
Distribution Music ²	#849	<i>Yours, Lord, Is the Glory</i>
Sending Song	#314	<i>Arise, Your Light Has Come!</i>

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** O God, on this day you revealed your Son to the nations by the leading of a star.
- C** Lead us now by faith to know your presence in our lives, and bring us at last to the full vision of your glory, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Jerusalem is assured that nations will make a pilgrimage to her, because the light of God's presence is in her midst. The bountiful food of the sea and the profits of international trade will come streaming to Jerusalem and thereby declare God's praise.

Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 (Read Responsively)

¹Give the king your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to the king's son;

- ²**that he may rule your people righteously
and the poor with justice;**
- ³that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people,
and the hills, in righteousness.
- ⁴**Let him defend the needy among the people,
rescue the poor, and crush the oppressor.**
- ⁵May he live as long as the sun and moon endure,
from one generation to another.
- ⁶**Let him come down like rain upon the mown field,
like showers that water the earth.**
- ⁷In his time may the righteous flourish;
and let there be an abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- ¹⁰**May the kings of Tarshish and of the isles pay tribute,
and the kings of Sheba and Seba offer gifts.**
- ¹¹May all kings bow down before him,
and all the nations do him service.
- ¹²**For the king delivers the poor who cry out in distress,
the oppressed, and those who have no helper.**
- ¹³He has compassion on the lowly and poor,
and preserves the lives of the needy.
- ¹⁴**From oppression and violence he redeems their lives,
and precious is their blood in his sight.**

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12

What had been hidden from previous generations is now made known through the gospel ministry of Paul and others. In Christ both Jews and Gentiles participate in the richness of God's promised salvation.

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

God's promise shines bright in the night as magi follow a star to honor a new king. Strangers from a faraway land, they welcome the long-awaited messiah of Israel.

Parish News

☞ **TIME AFTER EPIPHANY**

Epiphany means “manifestation.” On this day we celebrate the revelation of Christ to the Gentiles—that is, to all nations. Some Christian traditions celebrate three great epiphanies on this day: the magi’s adoration of the Christ child, Jesus’ baptism in the Jordan River, and his first miracle, in which he changes water into wine. The word and sacraments are for us the great epiphany of God’s grace and mercy. We go forth to witness to the light that shines brightly in our midst.

☞ **LESSONS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:**

Isaiah 43:1-7

When you pass through the waters, do not fear, for I am with you

Psalm 29

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters.

Acts 8:14-17

Prayer and laying on of hands for the Holy Spirit

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

The baptism of Jesus with the descent of the Holy Spirit

OUR WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, January 6

Sunday School	9:25 AM
Fellowship	10:15 AM
Holy Communion	10:45 AM

SUNDAY, January 13

Sunday School	9:25 AM
Fellowship	10:15 AM
Holy Communion	10:45 AM

FOOD SUNDAY

9:25 AM
10:15 AM
10:45 AM

THURSDAY, January 10

Midweek Bible Study	10:00 AM
WELCA	11:00 AM

Lord, In Your Mercy, Hear Our Prayers

For Those Ill or Recuperating

Mary Frances Arnold	Nancy Buchan	Emily Ditzler	Ken Huebner
Rosemarie Huebner	Grover Martin	Mary Nettles	Buddy Pedersen
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The Rev. Mark Buchan	Preacher	Stefanie Seebauer	Ushers
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Andy Seebauer	Crucifer	Barry Kemp	
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Leading Worship Next Sunday

The Rev. Mark Buchan	Preacher	Christel Lamb	Ushers
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Nancy Buchan	Crucifer	Barry Kemp	
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