

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

January 6, 2019
Epiphany of Our Lord

Divine Service I
Christian Worship Supplement p. 15

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To Our Guests

- If you are member of a church body other than the WELS or ELS, please speak to the Pastor before attending the Lord's Supper.
- The restrooms are in the fellowship hall. Turn to your left when exiting the church.
- We are happy to have children in our worship. Cloth bags with age appropriate books and activities are available. Please ask an usher.

Calendar for This Week

Today

No Sunday School, IGNiTE or Bible Class
Take down Christmas decorations at 10:30 am
Pizza lunch at 11:30 am
Special Voter's Meeting at 12 noon

Monday

Pastor's Circuit Meeting at Woodville at 9 am

Wednesday

Confirmation class at 4 pm

Board of Education at 5:30 pm

Friday

Hudson Mom's Group at 9:30 am

Family Bingo at 6:30 pm

HYMN

Angels from the Realms of Glory CW 80

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 60:1-6



¹ "Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord rises upon you.

² See, darkness covers the earth
and thick darkness is over the peoples,
but the Lord rises upon you
and his glory appears over you.

³ Nations will come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

⁴ "Lift up your eyes and look about you:

All assemble and come to you;
your sons come from afar,
and your daughters are carried on the hip.

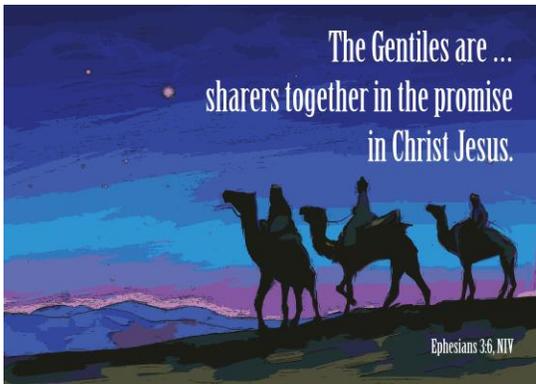
⁵ Then you will look and be radiant,
your heart will throb and swell with joy;
the wealth on the seas will be brought to you,
to you the riches of the nations will come.

⁶ Herds of camels will cover your land,
young camels of Midian and Ephah.

And all from Sheba will come,
bearing gold and incense
and proclaiming the praise of the Lord.

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 72, CW p. 93

SECOND LESSON: Ephesians 3:2-12



² Surely you have heard about the administration of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³ that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly. ⁴ In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, ⁵ which was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets. ⁶ This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus.

⁷ I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God's grace given me through the working of his power. ⁸ Although I am less than the least of all the Lord's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the boundless riches of Christ, ⁹ and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things. ¹⁰ His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in

the heavenly realms, ¹¹ according to his eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. ¹² In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence.

GOSPEL: Matthew 2:1-12

¹ After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem ² and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."

³ When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. ⁴ When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵ "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written:

⁶ "'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.'"

⁷ Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. ⁸ He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him."

⁹ After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of

them until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. ¹¹ On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. ¹² And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

HYMN OF THE DAY

As with Gladness Men of Old CW 83

SERMON

Sermon text: Matthew 2:1-12

Why Seek the Christ Child?

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

How Lovely Shines the Morning Star CW 79

CLOSING HYMN

The Star Proclaims the King Is Here CW 91 v. 1,2,5

Sermon Copies Available

Sermon copies of are available on the table across from the mailboxes following the service this morning.

Special Voters Meeting

A special voters meeting will be held today at 12 noon. Our Minnesota District 2nd Vice President will be here to present a list of candidates for the voters to consider for the purpose of calling a full-time pastor.

Church and School Cleaning Team for January

Leader: Tim Cords
Denning, Beck, Doty and Rust families

Other Items of Interest

Attendance last Sunday: 41
Attendance at New Year's Eve service: 19
Fellowship refreshments next Sunday: none

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