



PRINCE OF PEACE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Epiphany of Our Lord



January 6 & 7, 2024

When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy.

MATTHEW 2:10

WELCOME TO PRINCE OF PEACE



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church has been serving the Dublin, Ohio community for 38 years, ministering to its members and friends and supporting local ministries such as the Dublin Food Pantry, Lutheran Social Services, the Faith Mission, and Habitat for Humanity.

Prince of Peace is part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). The ELCA pursues God's work in the world with 3.7 million members in more than 9,300 congregations across the U.S. and in the Caribbean region. The ELCA works with schools and colleges, seminaries, camps, related networks and agencies, ecumenical and interreligious companions, Lutheran World Federation, World Council of Churches and numerous global church partners and organizations.

Please visit our website, princeofpeacedublin.org, for more information about Prince of Peace.

Joining Prince of Peace

If you are interested in becoming a member of Prince of Peace, please email the church office, office@princeofpeacedublin.org, for more information.

Please note that Sunday's 10:30 AM worship service will be broadcast live on YouTube, recorded and made publicly available. If you have any questions about the recording or broadcast of our worship services, please contact the church office at office@princeofpeacedublin.org.

*Proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ
and welcoming all to grow with us in God's love through
worship, learning, service, and fellowship.*

On the cover:

Mosaic, Basilica of Sant'Apollinare Nuovo in Ravenna, Italy, early 6th century

GATHERING

Bolded text indicates Congregational response. This symbol ✠ invites you to make the sign of the cross in remembrance of your baptism. All hymns are found in the ELW (red) hymnal in the pew, unless printed in the bulletin.

PRELUDE

The Three Kings
Three Kings of Orient

Wilbur Held
Janet Linker

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Presider: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, the Word made flesh, our life and our salvation.

All: Amen.

Presider: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

Presider: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Presider: Hear the good news: We are all children of God and heirs of God's promises. In ✠ Jesus we are forgiven, redeemed, and all the earth knows the salvation of God.

All: Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN

ELW 300

The First Noel

THE FIRST NOWELL

1 The first No - el the an - gel did say was to
2 They look - ed up and saw . . a star shin - ing
3 And by the light of that . . same star three . .
4 This star drew near to the . . north - west, o'er . .
5 Then en - tered in those wise . . men three, full . .

cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay; in fields where
in . . the east . . be - yond . . them far; and to the
wise . . men came . . from coun - try far; to seek for a
Beth - le - hem . . it took . . its rest; and there it
rev - 'rent - ly . . . up - on . . . their knee, and of - fered

they lay, keep - ing their sheep, on a cold win - ter's
earth it gave . . . great light, and . . so it con -
king was their . . . in - tent, and to fol - low the
did both stop . . . and stay right . . o - ver the
there in his . . . pres - ence their . . gold, and

Refrain

night that was so deep.
 tin-ued both day and night.
 star wher - ev - er it went. No - el, No - el, No -
 place where Je - sus lay.
 myrrh, and frank - in - cense.

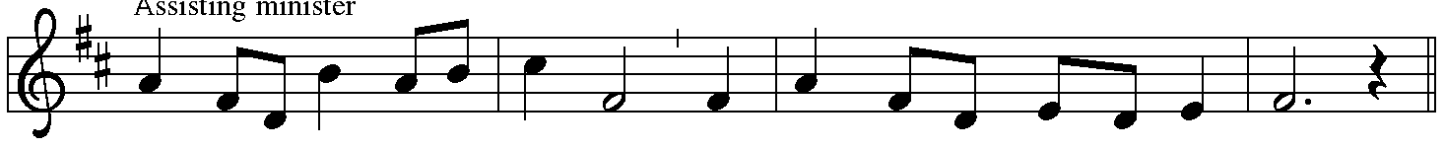
el, No - el! Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;




you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Presider: O God, on this day you revealed your Son to the nations by the leading of a star. 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.

All: Amen.

WORD

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 60:1-6

¹Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. ²For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. ³Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

⁴Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. ⁵Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought 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 proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALMODY

Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

The Congregation repeats the Refrain and sings the bolded verses as indicated.

PSALM REFRAIN



PSALM TONE



¹Give the king your jus-¹ tice, O God,
and your righteousness to¹ the king's son;
²that he may rule your¹ people righteously
and the¹ poor with justice;

³that the mountains may bring prosperity¹ to the people,
and the¹ hills, in righteousness.

⁴Let him defend the needy a-¹ mong the people,
rescue the poor, and crush¹ the oppressor.

Refrain

⁵May he live as long as the sun and¹ moon endure,
from one generation¹ to another.

⁶Let him come down like rain upon¹ the mown field,
like showers that wa-¹ ter the earth.

⁷In his time may the¹ righteous flourish;
and let there be an abundance of peace till the moon shall¹ be no more.

¹⁰May the kings of Tarshish and of the¹ isles pay tribute,
and the kings of Sheba and Seba¹ offer gifts.

Refrain

¹¹May all kings bow¹ down before him,
and all the nations¹ do him service.

¹²For the king delivers the poor who cry out¹ in distress,
the oppressed, and those who¹ have no helper.

¹³He has compassion on the low-¹ ly and poor,
and preserves the lives¹ of the needy.

¹⁴From oppression and violence he re-¹ deems their lives,
and precious is their blood¹ in his sight.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 3:1-12

¹This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—²for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, ³and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, ⁴a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. ⁵In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: ⁶that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

⁷Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. ⁸Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, ⁹and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; ¹⁰so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. ¹¹This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹²in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

S 151a



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Preacher: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ²asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.” ³When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ⁶‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.’”

⁷Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.” ⁹When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹²And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Preacher: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 308

O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright

WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET



1 O Morn - ing Star, how fair and bright! You shine with
2 Come, pre - cious dia - mond, light di - vine, and deep with -
3 Lord, when you look on us in love, at once there
4 Al - might - y Fa - ther, in your Son you loved us,



God's own truth and light, a - glow with grace and mer - cy!
in our hearts now shine; there light a flame un - dy - ing!
falls from God a - bove a ray of pur - est plea - sure.
when not yet be - gun was this old earth's foun - da - tion!



Of Ja - cob's line, King Da - vid's son, our Lord and Sav - ior,
In your one bod - y let us be as liv - ing branch - es
Your word and Spir - it, flesh and blood re - fresh our souls with
Your Son has ran - somed us in love to live in him here



you have won our hearts to serve you on - ly! Low - ly,
of a tree, your life our lives sup - ply - ing. Now, though
heav'n - ly food. You are our dear - est trea - sure! Let your
and a - bove: this is your great sal - va - tion. Al - le -



ho - ly! Great and glo - rious, all vic - to - rious, rich
dai - ly earth's deep sad - ness may per - plex us and
mer - cy warm and cheer us! Oh, draw near us! For
lu - ia! Christ the liv - ing, to us giv - ing life



in bless - ing! Rule and might o'er all pos - sess - ing!
dis - tress us, yet with heav'n - ly joy you bless us.
you teach us God's own love through you has reached us.
for - ev - er, keeps us yours and fails us nev - er!

- 5 Oh, let the harps break forth in sound!
Our joy be all with music crowned,
our voices gaily blending!
For Christ goes with us all the way—
today, tomorrow, ev'ry day!
His love is never ending!
Sing out! Ring out!
Jubilation!
Exultation!
Tell the story!
Praise to Christ, who reigns in glory!
- 6 What joy to know, when life is past,
the Lord we love is first and last,
the end and the beginning!
He will one day, oh, glorious grace,
transport us to that happy place
beyond all tears and sinning!
Amen! Amen!
Come, Lord Jesus!
Crown of gladness!
We are yearning
for the day of your returning.

(5:30 PM & 9:00 AM)

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We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the ✠ resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(10:30 AM)

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Jack Nicolo Farwick, son of Erin and Miles Farwick

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Assisting

Minister: Let us pray.

As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

Beautiful savior, you created the heavens and the earth. In the cold winter months, the earth is slumbering and daylight hours grow shorter, but we rejoice in remembering that spring will come. During this season, let us use the quiet time to hear your voice and give thanks for your baptismal promises of renewal and forgiveness.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You are present in every country and community all over the world. Guide leaders everywhere so that they will work to create equality, fairness and peace for all people, especially where there is violence and war.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Thank you for the leadership at Prince of Peace. Uplift our pastors, church council, the music and worship team, our preschool, Sunday School, Bible study and confirmation teachers, our custodial staff, and our office staff. Their work provides our congregation with tools and guidance to worship you and to spread your word to the world. We also pray for our local and global ministries so that our congregation can continue to offer time and support to reach those in need here in the Columbus area and beyond.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

As we discern again our relationship with you and with money, O God, fill us with gratitude. Open us to using what you have given us to love both you and our neighbors. Guide us, individually and in your Church, as we make financial commitments for the coming year that we might be witnesses of your goodness to this world.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Trusting the assurance of the Holy Spirit, we remember all who have died and rest in God's care. Give hope to those who are suffering and grieving, even as we rest in your eternal promise of resurrection. We offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

PEACE

Presider: The peace of Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEAL

OFFERING

At Prince of Peace, we rely on our members to support the financial needs of our congregation. As a visitor, please know that your offerings will go outside of our church to support a variety of local missions that help people in need.

Today's flowers are given by Sharon and Bert Adams, in celebration of the 5th wedding anniversary of Bethany and Justin Aksterowicz; and by Greg and Trish Lambert, in celebration of their wedding anniversary.



An offering is included when we gather to worship as an act of our thanksgiving to God. This month our parish is exploring why we give and is prayerfully discerning our financial commitments for the coming year.

Estimate of Giving cards will be received during worship on the weekend of January 27 & 28.

MUSICAL OFFERING

(5:30 PM)

(9:00 & 10:30 AM)

Saw You Never in the Twilight

Evan Lloyd, soloist

Jamie Blair, soloist

Hal Hopson

OFFERTORY HYMN

ELW 301

Bright and Glorious Is the Sky

DEJIC ER DEN HIMMEL BLA

The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some notes having stems pointing down. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

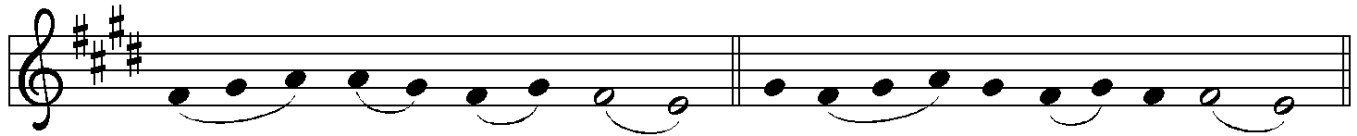
Bright and glo - rious is the sky, ra - diant are the
heav - ens high where the gold - en stars are shin - ing.
All their rays to earth in - clin - ing beck - on us to
heav'n a - bove, beck - on us to heav'n a - bove.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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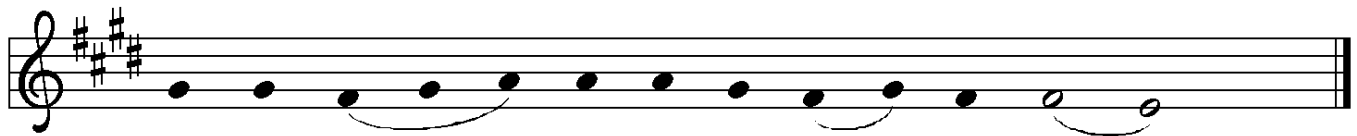
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



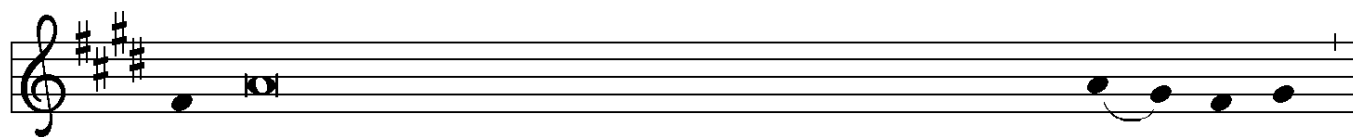
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



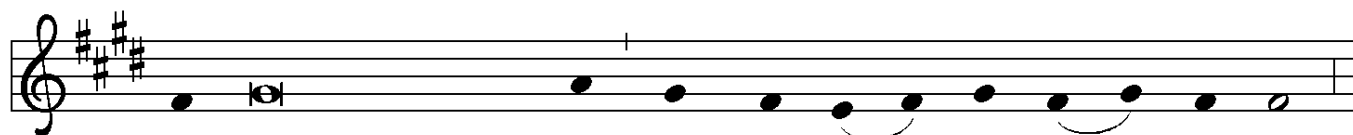
It is right to give our thanks and praise.



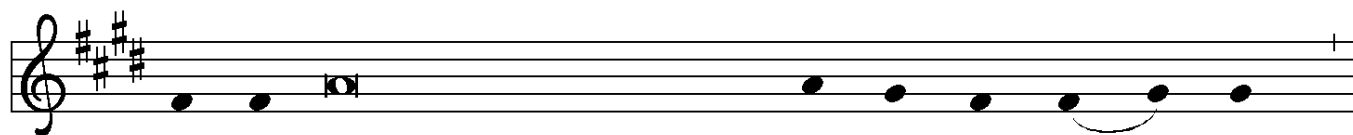
It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,



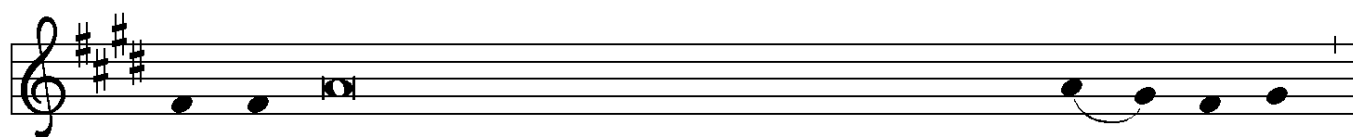
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,



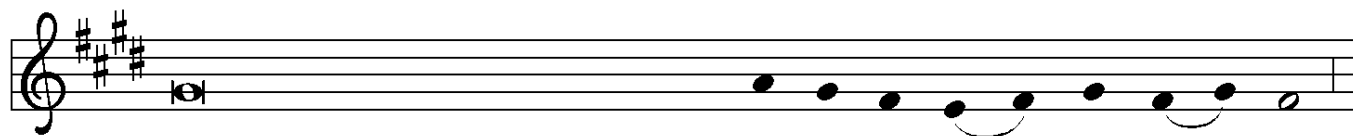
al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ.



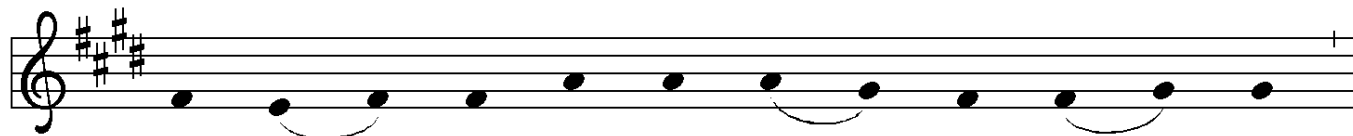
By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all na - tions;



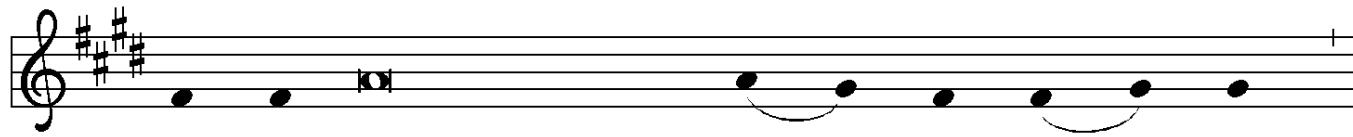
in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your be - lov - ed Son,



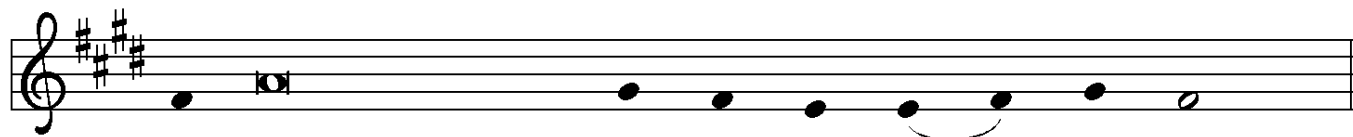
and in the miracle of water turned to wine he re - vealed your glo - ry.



And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,



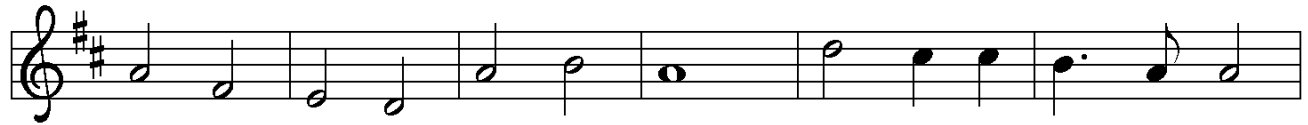
with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,



we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Presider: Blessed are you, O holy God:
you are the Life and Light of all.
By your powerful word you created all things.
Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.
Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son.
He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy
and might.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and
gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat;
this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to
drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you
and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising,
and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe
will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly
food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the
Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

All: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

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Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

THE DISTRIBUTION

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Please ask your server.

(9:00 & 10:30 AM)

HYMN DURING COMMUNION

ELW 677

This Little Light of Mine

THIS JOY

1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

oh, oh,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

oh,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine,
ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine,
Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine,

oh,

let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

SENDING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Assisting

Minister: God our redeemer, you have fed us at this table with gifts of grace, truth, and life. As you have gathered us in joy, send us forth as messengers of your peace. Make us shine with the good news of your glory, born to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

Presider: God bless you and keep you, ✠ Jesus grant you grace and truth, and the Spirit send peace upon your hearts, now and forever.

All: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

ELW 314

Arise, Your Light Has Come!

FESTAL SONG

1 A - rise, your light has come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
2 A - rise, your light has come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
3 A - rise, your light has come! All you in sor - row born,
4 A - rise, your light has come! The moun - tains burst in song!

show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day.
pro - claim the cap - tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.
bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
Rise up like ea - gles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

DISMISSAL

Assisting

Minister: Christ the Savior is born! Go in peace. Proclaim this good news.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

March of the Kings

Carl Simone

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ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP

Epiphany of Our Lord

January 6 & 7, 2024

	Saturday, 5:30 PM	Sunday, 9:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM
Front Door Greeter		Kathy Liebisch Jennifer Spiedel	Liv Uschwald
Back Door Greeter		Amanda Stredney	GREETER
Assisting Minister	Linda Dreier	Tim Ninke	Kiran McCoy
Lector	Ray Baker	Rick Lester	Laura Eickholt
Communion Server		Harry Gandre Brian Golden	Linda Chlapaty Mike Ziegler
Altar Care	Jennifer Schafer	Michael Cook Robin Cook Terri Lester	Pam Mayer Judi Lang
Head Usher	HEAD USHER	Barbara Hoylman	Erich Darr
Usher	Jim Schafer	Jon Baker Brad Mehl Trent Pryor	Dave Mayer Eric Reisch Pam Reisch
Acolyte	Drake Brenning Knox Brenning Amelia Mazzola Jacob Mazzola	Riley Buck Evan Golden Andrew Pohlmann Nora Schiller	Reagan Burns Kaden Buchholtz ACOLYTE ACOLYTE
Nursery Room #2		NURSERY	NURSERY
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