

Communion Practice: We believe that Christ is truly present in Holy Communion and, as we try to be faithful to Christ in the serving of this Sacrament, we ask that everyone be examined and instructed by the Pastor before receiving Holy Communion. All confirmed members of this parish, who have been regularly examined by the Pastor, are welcome to partake of the Holy Eucharist today. We also welcome the members who are in good standing of any of the parishes served by the Bishop, Pastors, and Deacons of The Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America (ELDoNA), and who have spoken to the Pastor prior to the service. Members of other Lutheran parishes or other denominations are kindly asked to refrain from communing today. The Pastor would be glad to make an appointment with anyone to discuss our teachings and/or our parish.

A Prayer upon Entering Church

Almighty, Ever-Living God, grant that I may gladly hear Thy Word and that all my worship may be acceptable unto Thee; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

A Prayer before Communion

Dear Savior, upon Thy gracious invitation I come to Thine Altar. Let me find favor in Thine eyes that I may approach Thy Table in true faith and receive the Sacrament to the salvation of my soul. Amen.

A Prayer after Communion

O Thou blessed Savior Jesus Christ, Who hast given Thyself to me in this holy Sacrament, keep me in Thy faith and favor; as Thou livest in me, let me also live in Thee. May Thy holy Body and Blood preserve me in the true faith unto everlasting life. Amen.

A Prayer at the Close of the Service

Grant, I beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the Word which I have heard this day may through Thy grace be so engrafted in my heart that I may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.



The Festival of the Epiphany of our Lord
January 6th, 2022

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“When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy.” St. Matthew 2:10

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude *“O Welt, ich muss dich lassen”* Johann Sebastian Bach

The Ringing of the Bell

Stand

The Processional Hymn *“Arise and Shine in Splendor”* TLH 126

(The Pastor silently prays Psalm 24 while the congregation joins in silent self-examination and reflection on God’s Commandments. Prayers are located on back cover.)

The Invocation and Address TLH p. 15

Versicles *(All may kneel)* TLH p. 15

Confession and Absolution TLH p. 16

Stand (if kneeling)

The Introit *(Tone 3)* INSERT

The Kyrie TLH p. 17

The Gloria in Excelsis TLH p. 17-19

The Salutation TLH p. 19

The Collect for the Day INSERT

Sit

The Epistle Isaiah 60:1-6

The Gradual INSERT

The Triple Hallelujah *(Second Setting)* TLH p. 20

Stand

The Holy Gospel St. Matthew 2:1-12

The Announcement of Movable Holy Days for 2022

The Nicene Creed *(Bow at the words “And was made man.”)* INSERT

Sit

The Hymn *“Now Sing We, Now Rejoice”* TLH 92

The Sermon *Out of You Shall Come a Ruler*

Stand

The Offertory TLH p. 22-23

The General Prayer LSBH p. 115-116

Sit (An Alms Basin is located next to the bulletins for any Offerings)

The Hymn *“Praise God the Lord, Ye Sons of Men”* TLH 105

Stand

The Exhortation LSBH p. 117

The Lavabo LSBH p. 118

(The Pastor washes his hands while silently praying Psalm 26. The congregation joins in silent prayer reflecting upon the Sacrament they are about to receive. Prayers are located on back cover.)

The Preface TLH p. 24

The Proper Preface TLH p. 25

The Sanctus and Benedictus TLH p. 26

The Lord’s Prayer TLH p. 27

The Verba Domini *(All may bow when the Pastor genuflects)* TLH p. 27

The Pax Domini *(All may bow and cross themselves)* TLH p. 27

The Agnus Dei *(All may kneel)* TLH p. 28

Sit

The Distribution *(Prayers are located on back cover.)*

The Hymn *“Come Rejoicing, Praises Voicing”* TLH 82

Stand

The Post-Communion Canticle TLH p. 29-30

The Thanksgiving TLH p. 30

The Post-Communion Collect TLH p. 31

The Hymn *“How Lovely Shines the Morning Star”* TLH 343

The Salutation TLH p. 31

The Benedicamus TLH p. 31

The Benediction TLH p. 31

Sit

The Postlude *“Wie schön leuchtet”* Michael Praetorius

Recitation of the Catechism

The Apostles’ Creed & Questions 109-125 (The Fourth Commandment, pages 70-72).

Announcements

THE FESTIVAL OF THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

January 6th, 2022



Introit (Chanted by Pastor)

P: BE- | HOLD || the Lord, the | Ru- | ler, | **has** - | come, *
And the kingdom and the power and the glory are | in |
His | **hand**. -

P: || Give the king Your | judg- | ments, | **O** - | God, *
And Your righteousness to | the | king's | **Son**. - (*Liturgical text
based on Malachi 3:1; Psalm 72:1*)

C: GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal; Sung by Congregation)

P: || Behold the Lord, the | Ru- | ler, | **has** - | come, *
And the kingdom and the power and the glory are | in |
His | **hand**. - (*Liturgical text based on Malachi 3:1*)

Collect

O God, Who by the leading of a star didst manifest Thy Only-begotten Son to the Gentiles: Mercifully grant, that we, who know Thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of Thy glorious Godhead; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end.



Gradual (Chanted by Pastor)

P: || All those from Sheba shall come; they shall bring | gold | and |
in- | cense, *

And they shall proclaim the praises | of | the | **Lord**. -

P: || Arise, shine, O | Je- | ru- | **sa**- | lem; *

For the glory of the Lord is risen | up- | on | **you**. -

P: || Alleluia! Alleluia! We have seen His | star | in | **the** - | East *

And have come with gifts to worship the Lord. Al- | le- |

lu- | **ia!** - (*Isaiah 60:6b, 1; St. Matthew 2:2*)

Isaiah 60:1-6

¹ “Arise, shine; For your light has come! And the glory of the LORD is risen upon you. ² For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and deep darkness the people; But the LORD will arise over you, and His glory will be seen upon you. ³ The Gentiles 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 nursed at your side. ⁵ Then you shall see and become radiant, and your heart shall swell with joy; Because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the Gentiles shall come to you. ⁶ The multitude of camels shall cover your land, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; All those from Sheba shall come; They shall bring gold and incense, and they shall proclaim the praises of the LORD.”

St. Matthew 2:1-12

¹ 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 have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him.” ³ When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. ⁴ And when he had gathered all the chief priests and

scribes of the people together, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵ So they said to him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it is written by the prophet: ⁶ ‘But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are not the least among the rulers of Judah; For out of you shall come a Ruler Who will shepherd My people Israel.’” ⁷ Then Herod, when he had secretly called the wise men, determined from them what time the star appeared. ⁸ And he sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search carefully for the young Child, and when you have found Him, bring back word to me, that I may come and worship Him also.” ⁹ When they heard the king, they departed; and behold, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. ¹⁰ When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy. ¹¹ And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented gifts to Him: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹² Then, being divinely warned in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed for their own country another way.

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant:

Congregation:

We be - lieve in one God, Fa - - - ther Al - might - y,
 Mak - er of heav - en and earth and of all things vi - si - ble
 and in - vi - si - ble. And in one Lord + Jes - us Christ,
 the only begotten - ten Son of God, be - got - ten of His Fa - ther
 be - - - fore all - - - worlds, God of God,
 Light of Light, Ver - y God of Ver - y God,
 Be - got - ten, not made, Be - ing of one Sub - stance with the Fa - ther,
 By whom all things were made; Who for us men,
 and for our sal - va - tion, came down from heav - en,
 + And was in - car - nate by the Ho - ly Ghost of the Vir - gin Mar - y,
 And was made man; + And was cru - ci - fied al - so for us
 un - der Pon - tius Pi - late. He suf - fered and was bur - ied;

And the third day He rose a - gain, ac - cord - ing to the Scrip - tures;
 And as - cend - ed in - to heav - en, And sit - teth on the right hand of the Fa - ther;
 And He shall come again with glo - - - - - ry
 to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.
 And we believe in the Ho - ly Ghost, The Lord and Giv - er of Life,
 Who proceedeth from the Fa - ther and the Son, Who with the Fa - ther and the Son
 to - geth - er is + wor - shipped And glo - - - - - ri - fied,
 Who spake by the Pro - phets. And we be - lieve one Ho - ly cath - o - lic
 And Aposto - lic Church. We confess one Bap - tism
 for the re - mis - - - - sion of sins,
 And we look for the re - sur - rec - tion of the dead;
 + And the life of the world to come. A - - - - - men.

+ — indicates that the worshippers may make a sign of reverence (bow the head, genuflect, or make the sign of the holy cross) as is appropriate.