

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church

✠ Epiphany of Our Lord ✠ January 5, 2020

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



*Inspired by Christ,
living and growing in faith,
we are a loving and open community
of worship, witness, and service in God’s world.*



Prelude

Welcome

**Call to
Worship**

*Please stand as
you are able.*

**Gathering
Hymn**

**Apostolic
Greeting**

**Prayer of the
Day**

✠ Gathering ✠

*Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers,
welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world.*

We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Matins

Healey Willian

Psalm 72

Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to a king's son.

**May he judge your people with righteousness, and your poor with
justice.**

In his days may righteousness flourish and peace abound, until the moon is no more.

**May the kings of Tarshish and of the isles render him tribute, may the
kings of Sheba and Seba bring gifts.**

May all kings fall down before him, all nations give him service.

**For he delivers the needy when they call, the poor and those who have
no helper.**

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

The First Noel

ELW #300

Vs. 1 All, 2 Women, 3 Harmony, 4 Men, 5 All

All sing on the refrain

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

C: **And also with you.**

**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.
Amen.**

✠ Word ✠

The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community
As God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.

Children's Message

Dismissal Song

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.



Please stand as you are able

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.

Bright and Glorious is the Sky

ELW #301

Vs. 1, 5 & 6

Reading

Arise, 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.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel

In 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.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

Sermon

Following the sermon, we will take a moment of silence to reflect on today's gospel message.

Hymn of the Day

Please stand as you are able.

As With Gladness Men of Old *ELW #302*

Prayers of the Church

P: Gathered with all who seek the Christ child, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A: Holy God, you make your presence known to the church in every land. Give to us a desire...Lord in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.



Please be seated

Greeting of Peace

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

C: And also with you.

*After the greeting, please **share a word** of peace with your neighbors.*

✠ Offering ✠

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week. We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.

Offering

The Holly and the Ivy

Richard Shephard

*The holly and the ivy, When they are both full grown,
Of all the trees that are in the wood, The holly bears the crown.
The rising of the sun And the running of the deer,
The playing of the merry organ, Sweet singing in the choir.*

*The holly bears a blossom, As white as the lily flower,
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ, To be our sweet Savior.
The rising of the sun And the running of the deer,
The playing of the merry organ, Sweet singing in the choir.*

*The holly bears a berry, As red as any blood,
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ For to do us sinners good.
The rising of the sun And the running of the deer,
The playing of the merry organ, Sweet singing in the choir.*

*The holly bears a bark, As bitter as any gall,
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ For to redeem us all.
The rising of the sun And the running of the deer,
The playing of the merry organ, Sweet singing in the choir.*

Offertory

*Please stand as
you are able.*

What Child is This

**So bring him incense, gold and myrrh, come, peasant, king, to own him.
The King of kings salvation brings; Let loving hearts enthrone him.
Raise, raise the song on high, the virgin sings her lullaby;
Joy, joy, for Christ is born, the babe the son of Mary!**

**Offertory
Prayer**

A: God with us: You came as a baby to a manger. You slept on straw and greeted shepherds. You come again in bread and wine. Remind us how good you are at blessing ordinary things. And then, through these gifts, help us to bless the lives of others in the strength of your holy name.

C: Amen.

✠ Meal ✠

*We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set,
and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by
the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world.*

Great Thanksgiving

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 our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn...



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: Per Harling, b. 1948
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Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

C: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

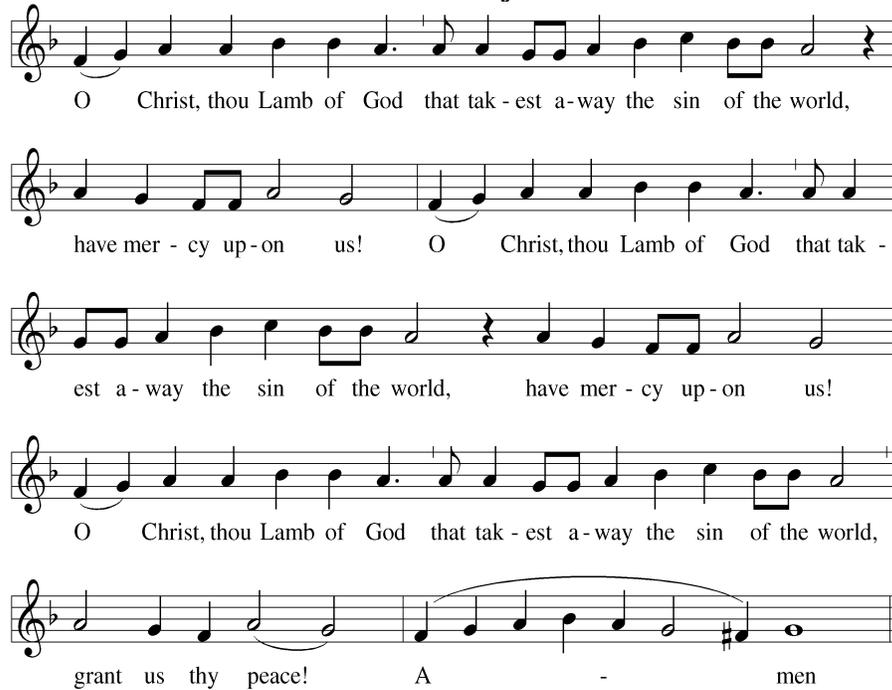
Invitation to Communion

P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
The table is ready. All are welcome.

Please be seated



Lamb of God



O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a-way the sin of the world,
have mer - cy up - on us! O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak -
est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us!
O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a-way the sin of the world,
grant us thy peace! A - - - men

Text: German, 1528, based on the Agnus Dei; tr. unknown
Music: CHRISTE, DU LAMM GOTTES, *Kirchenordnung*, Braunschweig, 1528



In dulci jubilo

J.S. Bach

Distribution Music

Distribution

Communion is by common cup or intinction: For the common cup, receive a piece of the bread, and drink from the white chalice. For intinction dip the bread into the brown cup with the wine (dark) or grape juice (light) as you prefer, then eat. At Lake of the Isles, we practice open communion. All who hunger for the presence of Christ in their life are welcome at this table. Gluten free wafers are available in the silver cup.



Communion Hymn

We Three Kings of Orient Are



1 We three kings of O - ri - ent are; bear - ing
 2 Born a king on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I
 3 Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; in - cense
 4 Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a
 5 Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and



gifts we tra - verse a - far, field and foun - tain,
 bring to crown him a - gain; king for - ev - er,
 owns a de - i - ty nigh; prayer and prais - ing,
 life of gath - er - ing gloom; sor - rowing, sigh - ing,
 God and Sac - ri - fice; heav'n sings al - le -



moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.
 ceas - ing nev - er, o - ver us all to reign.
 glad - ly rais - ing, wor - ship - ing God Most High.
 bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
 lu - ia: al - le - lu - ia the earth re - plies.



Oh, star of won - der, star of night, star with roy - al beau - ty bright;



west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light!

Text: John Henry Hopkins Jr., 1820–1891, alt.
 Music: THREE KINGS OF ORIENT, John Henry Hopkins Jr., 1820–1891

Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

A: We give you thanks, O God, that in this bread and cup of Christ's very life, you give us food for our journey. As you led the magi by a star, as you brought the holy family home again, guide us on the way unfolding before us. Wherever we go, may our lives proclaim good news of great joy in Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Please stand as you are able.



✠ SENDING ✠

*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace,
Sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.*

Oh Morning Star, How Fair and Bright

ELW #308

Vss. 1 & 6

**Sending
Hymn**

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Toccata in E Minor

Johann Pachelbel

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WELCOME

We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—for prayer and worship and to any of the events our congregation has scheduled. We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.

**YOUR WORSHIP
LEADERS TODAY**

Pastor	Rev. Arden D. Haug
Guest Organist	Allan Mahnke
Guest Choir Director	Debra Gilroy
Worship Assistant	Kathy Hering
Ushers	Casey Christy and Linda Nelson
Altar Servers	Pauline Haug, Mary Flynn and Linda Nelson
Reader	David Ackerman
Communion Servers	Mary Sabatke, Janna Haug and Carolyn Hagford
Coffee Hosts	Justin and Stephanie Kappel

CHURCH OFFICERS

President	Marty Carlson
Vice President	Ross Formell
Treasurer	Ross Bartels
Secretary	Jon Sprain

STAFF

Children's Ministry Director	Diane LaMere
Seminarian	Al Aakre
Office Manager	Linda Nelson
Nursery Attendant	Tori Reisberg

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion and Sunday School	Sanctuary
	10:40 am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
	2:00 pm	Knapp Recital	Sanctuary
MONDAY, JANUARY 6	6:00 pm	Staff Christmas Party	Parsonage
	7:00 pm	AA	Fellowship Hall
TUESDAY, JANUARY 7	9:15 am	Prayer Ministry	Christy Room
	5:15 pm	SA Support Group	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	AA Spiritual Recovery Group	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	Men's AA Group	Room 56
	7:00 pm	Organist Audition	Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8	10:00 am	Bible Study	Christy Room
	12:00 pm	Staff Meeting	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	Confirmation	Christy Room
	7:15 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
THURSDAY, JANUARY 9	12:00 pm	Al-Anon	Fellowship Hall
FRIDAY, JANUARY 10	9:30 pm	Mu Phi Epsilon	Fellowship Hall/Sanctuary
SUNDAY, JANUARY 12	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion and Sunday School	Sanctuary
	10:40 am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
	11:00 am	Faith Talk (for Parent/Tweens)	Library

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ER LIST



Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:

Shirley Carlson, Dawn Allan, Gary Olson, father of Lars Olson; **Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **Mary McCarthy**, friend of Nancy McCutcheon; **Lynn Williamson**, family of Bruce and Carol Kuehn; **Heluza Ramos**, grandmother of Rebecca Morell, **Deb Benson**, mother of Kayla Hoel.

Loved Ones In The Military
Please keep all the members and families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



POINSETTIAS

Please feel free to take your poinsettias with you. If you have forgotten what you ordered, there is a list on

the door of the Christy Room. Also in the Christy Room are paper wrappers to protect your plant while transporting it home.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Naomi Mechels 1/6 Mary Goplen 1/8
Bernie Reisberg 1/9 Kathy Hering 1/10
Elyssa Gustafson 1/11 Dominik Amann 1/12
Ruth Lee 1/12

STAFFED NURSERY AVAILABLE

Children are always welcome in worship, however, if the need arises, the Christy Room is staffed with a Nursery Attendant for your child. The Christy Room is located to the left of the sanctuary through the side door at the front of the church and across from the church office. There is an alternate route to take from the narthex—follow the signs. If you need assistance, please ask one of the ushers to help you. There is a baby changing table available in the unisex restroom between the pastor's office and the sacristy.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP MATERIALS

Children are invited to use the worship materials throughout the service. Materials are located in the narthex and are organized by age group.

SUNDAY SCHOOL VISITORS WELCOME!

Children who are visiting today, age 3 through 6th grade, are more than welcome to come to Sunday School. We do ask that a parent/guardian comes with their child after the Children's Message to check him/her into a classroom. Children will return to worship with their family at the start of Communion. If your child would prefer to remain in worship, please know that there are age appropriate worship materials at the kid's worship table in the Narthex (back of the Sanctuary). Welcome!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**MONDAY, JANUARY 6 TO REMOVE
DECORATIONS AND TAKE DOWN
CHRISTMAS TREES
10:00 A.M. IN THE SANCTUARY**

GROWLERS AND THEOLOGY

The informal study of theology and "adult beverages" will resume again in January. Following the model of Luther in his home in Wittenberg, Germany, Pastor Haug will lead a twice monthly gathering at the Parsonage on January 9th and 23rd at 7:00 p.m.

THANK YOU

On behalf of the church staff, we wish to thank you for your Christmas cards, greetings and gifts. They were a generous sign of your warmth and hospitality this season. Thank you as well for your generous gifts to the ministry of this congregation. We were able to end the year in a strong financial position. There are still challenges in regard to personnel for the year ahead but your continued gifts allow us to see a positive and bright future. Thank you.

Pastor Arden Haug

**FAMILY FUN DAY
SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH
11:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.**

BINGO! We had so much fun last year, we're going to do it again! Plan on soup lunch after worship followed by lots and lots of Bingo. This event is for all ages -

stay for as long as you are able. Fun prizes, free laughs and lots of great fellowship.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Women's Book Club will meet on Friday, January 24th at 5:00 p.m. at Deb Gilroy's home. We are reading "*The Faith Club*" by Suzanne Oliver.

**OUR SAVIOUR'S HOUSING
MEALS IN 2020**

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church has provided a meal for 40 the first Friday of every month for many years.

This is a wonderful opportunity for families or a group of friends. Check your calendars and pick a month now for 2020. You can reserve your month by calling or emailing Cheri Moe (952-431-5226, moeclana@aol.com). She can provide you with recipes for a crowd. If you are a Thrivent member, you can apply for a Thrivent Action grant that will cover the cost of the meal as well as some left over to purchase the supplies that Our Saviour's is always in need of. It is helpful for Cheri to have the calendar filled out as far ahead of time as possible so there is not a last minute scramble to find someone to serve.

These are the dates for the shelter meal in 2020 and those that are already spoken for:

February 7 – The Haugs

March 6

April 3

May 8

June 5

July 3

August 7

September 4

October 2

November 6

December 4 – Cheri Moe & Family

**EXTENDED CALENDAR OF LOTI
CHURCH SERVICES & EVENTS**



January 9 and 23
Growlers & Theology
7:00 p.m.
Parsonage

January 12
Faith Talk (for Parent/Tween)

with Pastor Haug (after worship)

January 19

No Sunday School (MLK Weekend)

January 24

Women's Book Club
5:00 p.m. at Deb Gilroy's Home

January 26

Family Fun Day (after worship)
11:00 – 1:00 p.m.

.God's Help, Our Hands

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