



# LAKE OF THE ISLES LUTHERAN CHURCH

## ✠ EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD ✠

**JANUARY 9, 2022**

*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.*

### ✠ 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.*

#### **Prelude**

#### ***Trio on Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern***

*Kris Rizzotto (b. 1989)*

#### **Welcome**



#### **Call to Worship**

##### ***Psalm 72***

*Please stand  
as you are able.*

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**

## Gathering Hymn

vs 1 All,  
v2 Women,  
vs 3 Harmony,  
vs 4 Men,  
vs 5 All,  
Refrain All.



## The First Noel

ELW #300

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

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did both stop . . and stay right . . o - ver the  
there in his . . pres - ence their . . gold, . . . and

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.

## Apostolic Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

Lord, you make all things new. **You bring hope alive in our hearts and cause our Spirits to be born again. Thank you for this new year for all the potential it holds. Come and kindle in us a mighty flame so that in our time, many will see the wonders of God and live forever to praise your glorious name. 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

*Please be seated.*

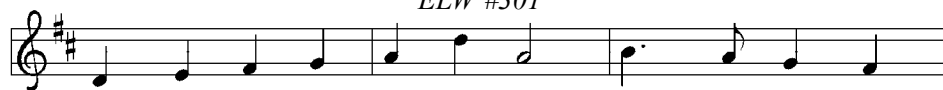
## Dismissal Song

vss 1, 5, & 6



## Bright and Glorious is the Sky

ELW #301



1 Bright and glo - rious is the sky, ra - diant are the  
2 On that ho - ly Christ-mas night through the dark - ness  
3 Sa - ges from the east a - far, when they saw this  
4 Him they found in Beth - le - hem, yet he wore no



heav - ens high where the gold - en stars are shin - ing.  
beamed a light; all the stars a - bove were pal - ing,  
won - drous star, went to find the king of na - tions  
di - a - dem; there they saw a maid - en low - ly



All their rays to earth in - clin - ing beck - on us to  
all their lus - ter slow - ly fail - ing as the won - drous  
and to of - fer their ob - la - tions to the child, the  
with an in - fant pure and ho - ly rest - ing in her



heav'n a - bove, beck - on us to heav'n a - bove.  
star drew nigh, as the won - drous star drew nigh.  
new - born king, to the child, the new - born king.  
lov - ing arms, rest - ing in her lov - ing arms.

5 Guided by the star, they found  
him whose praise the ages sound.  
We too have a star to guide us,  
which forever will provide us  
with the light to find our Lord,  
with the light to find our Lord.

6 And this star, as bright as day,  
that will never lead astray  
with its message so appealing,  
is the word of God, revealing  
Christ, the way, the truth, the life,  
Christ, the way, the truth, the life.

## Lesson

### **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.*

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. <sup>2</sup>For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. <sup>3</sup>Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. <sup>4</sup>Lift 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. <sup>5</sup>Then 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. <sup>6</sup>A 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

*Please stand  
as you are able.*



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

Text: *Symphonia Sirenum*, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1832–1909

Music: VICTORY, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1525–1594; arr. William H. Monk, 1823–1889

## 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.*



P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the third chapter.

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

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup>asking, “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.” <sup>3</sup>When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; <sup>4</sup>and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. <sup>5</sup>They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: <sup>6</sup>‘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.’” <sup>7</sup>Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup>Then 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.” <sup>9</sup>When 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. <sup>10</sup>When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. <sup>11</sup>On 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. <sup>12</sup>And 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.**

**Sermon**  
*Please be seated*

**Hymn of the Day**  
*Please stand as you are able.*



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

***There's A Star in the East***

WOV #645



1 There's a star in the east on Christ-mas morn, rise up, shep-herd, and fol-low.  
2 If you take good heed to the an-gel's words, rise up, shep-herd, and fol-low.



It will lead to the place where the Christ was born, rise up, shep-herd, and fol-low.  
You'll for-get your flocks, you'll for-get your herds, rise up, shep-herd, and fol-low.

*Refrain*



Fol - low, fol - low, rise up, shep-herd, and fol - low.



Fol-low the star of Beth-le - hem, rise up, shep-herd, and fol-low.

Text: African American spiritual  
Music: RISE UP, SHEPHERD. African American spiritual

**Prayers of the Church**  
*Please stand as you are able.*

P: Joining our voices with the song of the angels, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need..

*A brief silence.*

A: Redeeming God, you gather together your people from the farthest parts... 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.**

**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.*

**Anthem**  
*Please be seated.*

**✠ 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.*

***Do You Hear What I Hear?***

*Noel Regney & Gloria Shayne*

*Said the night wind to the little lamb  
Do you see what I see? Way up in the sky, little lamb  
Do you see what I see? A star, a star, dancing in the night  
With a tail as big as a kite.*

*Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy  
Do you hear what I hear? Ringing through the sky, shepherd boy  
Do you hear what I hear? A song, a song high above the trees  
With a voice as big as the sea.*

*Said the shepherd boy to the mighty king.  
Do you know what I know? In your palace warm, mighty king  
Do you know what I know? A Child, a Child shivers in the cold  
Let us bring him silver and gold*

*Said the king to the people everywhere  
Listen to what I say! Pray for peace, people, everywhere  
Listen to what I Say! The Child, the Child sleeping in the night  
He will bring us goodness and light.*

**Offertory Response**  
*Please stand as  
you are able.*



***Create in Me a Clean Heart***

*WOV #732*

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, and  
take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the  
joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Text: Psalm 51:10-12  
Music: FRANCKE, J.A. Freylinghausen, 1670-1739

## Offertory Prayer

A: Gracious God, your Word-made-flesh brings harmony to the earth. As we offer ourselves and these your gifts, prepare us to receive the grace and truth you offer at this table and renew in us the song of your salvation, in Jesus Christ our Savior.

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.

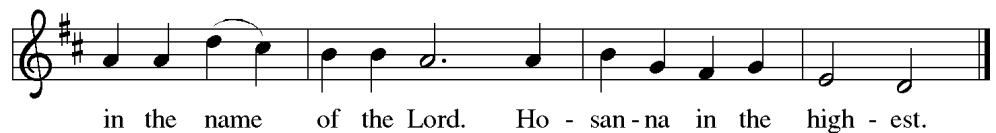
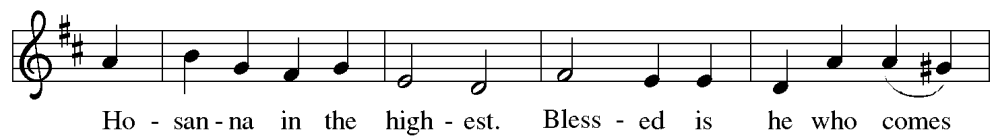
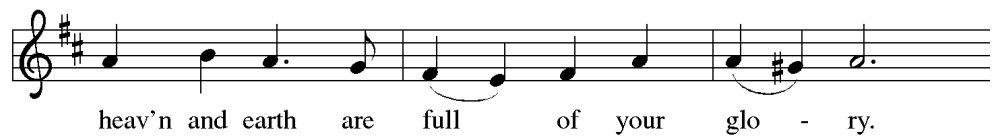
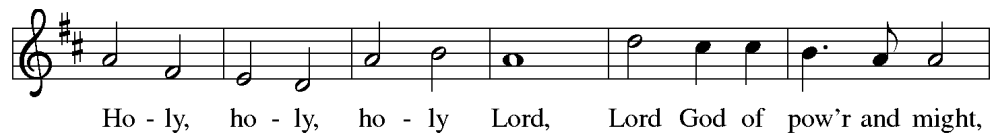
P: Lift up your hearts.

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 and salutary... we praise you name and join their unending hymn:



## Words of Institution



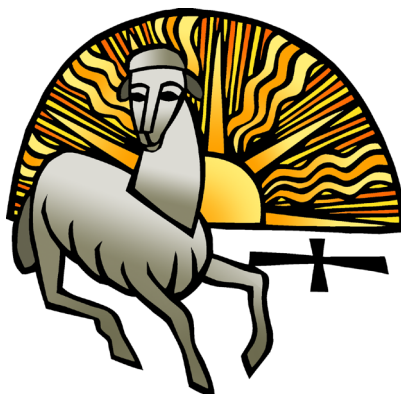
## Lord's Prayer

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.



### *O Christ Thou Lamb of God*

LBW #103

Sheet music for the hymn "O Christ Thou Lamb of God" (LBW #103). The music is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: 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: CHRISTI, DU LAMM GOTTI:S, *Kirchenordnung*, Braunschweig, 1528

## Distribution

*Please be seated.*

*Holy Communion will begin in the front of the church, nearest where the pastor and assisting minister will distribute the bread and wine. Please take either a glass of red wine or white grape juice from the full tray and place your emptied glass into the extra tray which is positioned in front of the first pew.*

*Your offerings will also be received as the usher directs you towards the front of the church for communion.*

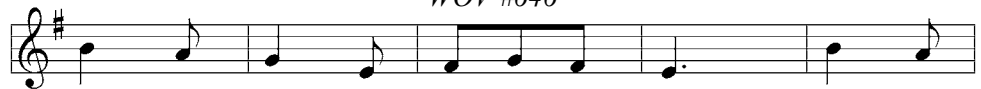


## Distribution Music



## *We Three Kings of Orient Are*

WOV #646



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.

### *Refrain*



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

*Please stand  
as you are able.*

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

**C: Amen.**

## Post-Communion Prayer

**A:** Most High God, you have come among us at this table. By the Spirit's power, form us to be bearers of your word, sharing gifts of mercy and grace with all, through Christ Jesus, our host and our guest.

**C: Amen.**

## Sending Hymn

Vss 1 & 4

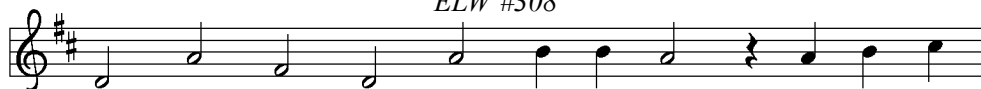


## ✠ Sending ✠

*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.*

### *O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright*

ELW #308



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!

## Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord makes his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

## Announcements

*Please be seated.*



## Dismissal

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

C: Thanks be to God.

## Postlude

### *God Is My Oath*

*Kris Rizzotto (b. 1989)*

*You are free to leave during the Postlude or remain to enjoy the offering of music and praise.*

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## WELCOME

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*We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—  
for prayer and worship. We will continue to have Sunday services online.  
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. Dr. Arden D. Haug  
Organist ..... Dr. Kris Rizzotto  
Worship Assistant ..... Michelle McCreery  
Communion Assistant ..... Mark Duff  
Altar Servers ..... Mary & David Goplen  
Reader ..... Pierre LaMere  
Usher ..... Ellie Holmquist  
Coffee Hosts ..... David & Carolyn Hagford

### CHURCH OFFICERS

President ..... Chanda Olson  
Vice President ..... Marty Carlson  
Treasurer ..... Ross Bartels  
Secretary ..... Jon Sprain

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Pastor ..... Rev. Dr. Arden D. Haug  
Director of Music ..... Dr. Kris Rizzotto  
Children's Ministry Director ..... Diane LaMere  
Worship Technical Director ..... Joseph LaMere  
Office Manager ..... Linda Nelson  
Design & Communication Director ..... Michelle McCreery  
Custodian/Caretakers ..... Sarah & Trevor Skorborg

*Please note: If you are unable to attend in-person Worship, remember that our Service is live-streamed each week  
& remains available for subsequent viewing on our [YouTube channel](#)*

# CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9	9:30 AM	<i>Worship with Holy Communion</i> .....	Sanctuary & YouTube
		<i>&amp; Sunday School</i> .....	Sunday School Rooms
	10:30 AM	<i>Coffee Hour</i> .....	Fellowship Hall
MONDAY, JANUARY 10	7:00 PM	<i>AA</i> .....	Fellowship Hall
TUESDAY, JANUARY 11	9:15 AM	<i>Prayer Ministry</i> .....	Christy Room/Sanctuary
	5:15 PM	<i>Women's SA Group</i> .....	Christy Room
	7:00 PM	<i>Men's AA</i> .....	Patio/Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	<i>AA/Spiritual Recovery</i> .....	Christy Room/Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12	9:30 AM	<i>Bible Study</i> .....	Library/Zoom
	12:00 PM	<i>Staff Meeting</i> .....	Christy Room /Zoom
	4:30 PM	<i>Confirmation</i> .....	Christy Room
	7:00 PM	<i>Choir Rehearsal</i> .....	Sanctuary
THURSDAY, JANUARY 13	12:00 PM	<i>Al Anon</i> .....	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	<i>Growlers &amp; Theology</i> .....	Christy Room
SUNDAY, JANUARY 16	9:30 AM	<i>Worship with Holy Communion</i> .....	Sanctuary & YouTube
		<i>&amp; Sunday School</i> .....	Sunday School Rooms
	10:30 AM	<i>Coffee Hour</i> .....	Sanctuary

SCAN TO GIVE



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### Prayer List

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



**Susan Peterson**, sister of Rick Pepin; **Matthew Moen**; **Greg Clark**, father of Kami Moen; **Jacquie Crackel**, sister of Robin Bloom; **Anna Lena Skold**; **Tom Beem**, friend of the Kuehn family; **Emma Smrekar**; **Colin Mason**, friend of the Amann family; **Trygve Svard**; **Evangeline Hagfors**, cousin of David Hagford; **Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **Tom Friend**, brother-in-law of Mark & Kathy Hering; **Graham Rawle**, friend of Michelle McCreery & Mark Duff; **Beth Addington**; **Howard Thorsheim**, friend of John Bergford.

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### Meditation

LOTI is available during office hours for a time of quiet meditation. You can use the sanctuary to spend time in prayer, light a candle, listen to recorded sacred music, and/or use a guided meditation tool. Please call the church office to reserve a time.

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### Kid Worship Materials

Kid worship materials are available in the **Narthex** (back of **Sanctuary**). Crayon packets and a variety of coloring pages and activity sheets are available for your children to enjoy during worship.

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### Visiting Sunday School Age Children

Children **age 3** through **6th Grade** are welcome to visit **Sunday School**. We do ask that you are able to adhere to our safety guidelines currently in place (masks, physical distancing etc) and that a parent/guardian accompany your child to **Sunday School** so that we can explain guidelines etc.

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### Loved Ones In The Military

Please keep all the members & families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



### Our Saviour's Housing Meals

For many years, Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church has provided a meal for 40 on the first Friday of every month. Due to COVID-19, our monthly meals are provided by donation. The shelter orders and serves the meal. The cost to provide the meal is \$250.

**Thanks to everyone who contributed in 2021!**

Mary & Dave Gopeland donated for **January 2022**.

The Haug Family Mary Sabatke has reserved **November**.

Consider providing in **2022** on:

	MAR 4	APR 1	MAY 6	JUN 3
JUL 1	AUG 5	SEP 2	OCT 7	DEC 2

For information, contact [Cheri Moe](mailto:Cheri.Moe@oscs-mn.org) or (952) 431-5226.  
[oscs-mn.org](http://oscs-mn.org)

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## ~HAPPY BIRTHDAY!~

**Bernie Reisberg 1/9 Kathy Hering 1/10**  
**Ruth Lee 1/12 Dominik Amann 1/12**  
**Jackson Ulland 1/13 Nicolas Messerli 1/15**  
**Gretchen Robertson 1/15**

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### Nursery in the Christy Room

Welcome to our youngest friends in the congregation! We know that you sometimes need another space to be in during worship to get your wiggles and giggles out. Our **Nursery** is available for your little one to use. Ushers can help you with directions or follow the signs provided in the back of the **Sanctuary**. We currently have a capacity of 3 children in the Christy Room, on a first come, first served basis.

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## Poinsettias

If you ordered poinsettias, you may take them home after the service today or any time the church is open.

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## Women's Bible Study

We are studying is *Children of the Day*, by *Beth Moore* which can be purchased through Amazon or your favorite bookstore. Our sessions are at **7:00 PM** in the **Library** on **January 20, February 3, March 3, April 7, May 5 & June 2**. Contact [Debra Gilroy](#), or visit [LOTI Groups](#).

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## LOTI Book Club

This month's gathering is **January 28** at the home of *Debra Gilroy* at **5:00 PM**. The book is *Just Mercy*, by *Bryan Stevenson*

Please bring your book, a light snack to share and a willingness to laugh, love and learn.

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