



The day of epiphany
Saturday, January 5, 2019 5:30pm
Sunday, January 6, 2019 9:00am
First Lutheran Church, ELCA

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Call To Worship

P: Guided by a special star, the Magi came to Bethlehem.

C: They were looking to worship the king of the Jews.

P: We too have a special light to guide us on our journey.

C: His name is Jess, for he saves us from our sins.

P: The prophet Isaiah calls him the Prince of Peace.

C: John calls him the Light that shines in the darkness.

P: Like the Magi, we have come to worship the Lord our Savior!

C: We offer Jesus the gifts of our faith, our love, and our praises!

Hymn **"Angels, from the Realms of Glory"** #275

Confession/Forgiveness p. 94

Kyrie p. 138

This Is The Feast p. 140

Prayer of The Day

C: Lord Jesus, the Magi on bended knee honored you with special gifts. Because you are the Son of God and our Savior we give you our heart and our complete devotion. Let the light of your love shine on us and through us. May our lives reflect your goodness and glory. In your precious name we pray. Amen.

Reading Psalm 96

Sermon **"Gifts of Old For A New Year"** Matthew 2:1-12

Hymn **"Brightest and Best of the Stars"** #303 vs. 3, 4, 5

Apostles' Creed p. 105

Prayers of The People

P: Lord, we bow our hearts before you.

C: We trust your goodness.

Sharing the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you!

C: And also with you!

Offering **"Light Shone in Darkness" arr. Anne Krentz Organ**

Offering Prayer

C: Generous and life-giving God, you continually pour out your blessings on all the world. Fill us with your presence and hope so that we might be motivated to live for you. May your power and love dwell within us, so that when we give of ourselves we give that which gives life. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

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Word of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Meal of Grace

Communion Music

"The First Noel"

#300

"Light Shone in Darkness"

#307

"As with Gladness Men of Old"

#302

Communion Prayer

C: Gracious Father, we give you thanks that in this feast of mercy you have embraced us and healed us, making us one in the body of Christ. Go with us now. Inspire us to let our lives speak of your love to the people we live among each day. In the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you with his presence and power!

The Spirit inspire and guide you in the ways of Jesus!

The Father bless you with his amazing love! Amen.

Sending

P: We have worshipped and praised our God!

C: Now we go out to serve his people!

Hymn

"Joy to the World"

#267

Postlude

Those who Shared Their Time & Talents on Saturday

Reader: Jenny Schlaghaft

Communion: Bruce & Liz Carlstrom, Lori Mortenson

Usher: Thoren & Naomi Mangold

Greeter: Dale & Carol Nibbe

Coffee:

Altar: Becky Schultze, LaDonna Severson

Sound/Screen: Heath Oeltjen

Video: Mark Bailey

Those who Shared Their Time & Talents on Sunday

Reader: Luther Berkeland

Communion: Luther & Melinda Berkeland, Randy Meincke

Usher: Rick Janka, Jim Menting, Brad & Mary Nelson

Greeter: Rick & Gwen Schafer

Coffee: Ross & Sandy Bendickson

Altar: Becky Schultze, LaDonna Severson

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