



Sunday, January 6, 2019
Epiphany of Our Lord
Holy Communion

January 6, 2019 • 7:45 A.M., 9:30 A.M., 11:00 A.M. Services

WELCOME TO EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

INTRODUCTION

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.

PRELUDE

O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright

arr. Robert Hobby

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The assembly stands.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who shines in glory,
clothes us in compassion,
and bears gifts of mercy for all.

Amen.

Let us confess our sins with confidence in God's promise of forgiveness.

Silence is kept for reflection. The assembly may stand or kneel.

God, wonderful counselor,
**we confess that we have turned from your gifts
and chosen our own way.
We have not made room for you**

in our hearts or in our world.
We have lived in fear;
we have not welcomed the stranger;
we desire gifts that will not endure.
Forgive us our sins, known and unknown,
and open us to receive the peace of Jesus
dwelling in and among us.
Amen.

God's lovingkindness has appeared to us in Christ our Savior.
We are saved, not by anything we have done,
but by God's mercy poured out on us richly.
In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ,
your sins are forgiven.
Through the Spirit living in you,
God give you faith to trust Jesus,
who is Love born for you, now and always.
Amen.

GATHERING SONG:

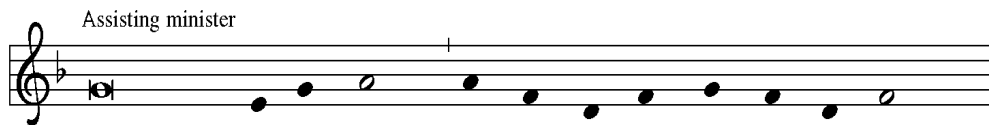
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GREETING

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

GLORY TO GOD



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

RISE UP! SHINE!



1 Rise up! Shine! Your light has come.
 2 Bring him gold and spices rare.
 3 We have seen his star so bright.

All



Je - sus, the light of the world.

Leader (or all)



Glo - ry dawns on ev - 'ry - one.
 Praise his glo - ry ev - 'ry - where.
 Come and wor - ship with de - light.

Refrain

All



Je - sus, the light of the world. We'll

(opt. hand claps)



walk in the light, beau - ti - ful light,



come where the dew - drops of mer - cy are bright.



Shine all a - round us by day and by night,



Je - sus, the Light of the world.

Text: Isaiah 60:1, 6; Matthew 2:2, para. Daniel Schwandt; George D. Elderkin, refrain

Music: WE'LL WALK IN THE LIGHT, traditional, arr. Daniel Schwandt

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

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.**

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 60:1–6

(Please turn to page 766 in the Old Testament of your pew Bible).

Jerusalem is assured that nations will make a pilgrimage to her, because the light of God's presence is in her midst. The bountiful food of the sea and the profits of international trade will come streaming to Jerusalem and thereby declare God's praise.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 3:1–12

(Please turn to page 205 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).

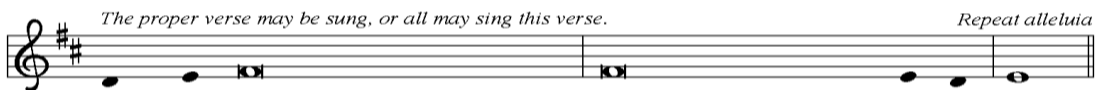
What had been hidden from previous generations is now made known through the gospel ministry of Paul and others. In Christ both Jews and Gentiles participate in the richness of God's promised salvation.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



We have ob - served the star at its rising, And have come to wor - ship him (Matt. 2:2)

GOSPEL: Matthew 2:1–12

(Please turn to page 2 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the second chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

Pastor Steven Wigdahl

The assembly stands.

HYMN OF THE DAY:

We All Are One in Mission

(tune: The Church's One Foundation)

- 1 We all are one in mission;
we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united
by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single great commission
compels us from above
to plan and work together
that all may know Christ's love.
- 2 We all are called to service,
to witness in God's name.
Our ministries are different;
our purpose is the same:
to touch the lives of others
with God's surprising grace,
so ev'ry folk and nation
may feel God's warm embrace.
- 3 Now let us be united,
and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel
for God's redeeming Word.
We all are one in mission;
we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united
by Christ, the Lord of all.

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NICENE CREED

**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.**

*Or, "who proceeds from the Father." The phrase "and the Son" is a later addition to the creed.

(7:45 and 9:30 services turn to page 8)

INSTALLATION OF THE REVEREND DR. RICHARD BLIESE

PRESENTATION

(11:00) LED BY THE REV. KHADER EL-YATEEM, ASSISTANT TO THE BISHOP

The pastor to be installed and a representative of the calling body come before the presiding minister and the assembly. The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

Having been authorized by the church to install *the Reverend Dr. Richard Bliese* our co-worker in the gospel, as *Associate Pastor*
I now ask for certification of this call.

A representative of the calling body addresses the presiding minister.

After prayerful deliberation,
we, of Emmanuel Lutheran Church,
have called *Pastor Bliese as Associate Pastor*
I present *him* and this letter certifying the call.

The representative gives the presiding minister the letter certifying that the call has been received and accepted.

The representative moves aside, and the assembly is seated.

ADDRESS AND QUESTIONS

The presiding minister addresses the pastor being installed.

A reading from John: Jesus said, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." (*John 20:21-23*)

A reading from Matthew: Jesus said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (*Matthew 28:18-20*)

A reading from First Timothy: "Set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Attend to the public reading of scripture, to exhorting, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you through prophecy with the laying on of hands by the council of elders. Put these things into practice, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; continue in these things, for in doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers." (*1 Timothy 4:12-16*)

The presiding minister questions the pastor being installed.

Pastor Rick, in the presence of this assembly
will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility,
in the confidence that it comes from God through the call of the church?

Response:

I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you preach and teach in accordance with the holy scriptures
and with the confessions of the Lutheran church?

Will you carry out this ministry in harmony with the constitutions
of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America?

Response:

I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you be diligent in your study of the holy scriptures
and in your use of the means of grace?

Will you love, serve, and pray for God's people,
nourish them with the word and sacraments,
and lead them by your own example in faithful service and holy living?

Response:

I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you give faithful witness in the world,
that God's love may be known in all that you do?

Response:

I will, and I ask God to help me.

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things,
graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.

The assembly responds:

Amen.

The assembly stands.

7:45 AND 9:30 SERVICES BEGIN HERE (THEN CONTINUE TO MIDDLE OF PAGE 9)

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

People of God,

will you receive *Pastor Rick Bliese* as a messenger of Jesus Christ
sent to serve all people with the gospel of hope and salvation?

Will you regard *him* as a servant of Christ and a steward of the mysteries of God?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

Will you pray for *him*,
help and honor *him* for *his* work's sake,
and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?
We will, and we ask God to help us.

The presiding minister addresses the pastor being installed.
Pastor Rick, the office of Associate Pastor
is now committed to you
in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

BLESSING

The newly installed pastor may kneel as the presiding minister proclaims God's blessing.
The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will,
working in you that which is pleasing in God's sight;
through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.
Amen.

THE 7:45 AND 9:30 SERVICES CONTINUE HERE

The pastor stands. The following procession to the places of the word and sacraments may be used.
The presiding minister escorts the pastor to the place of baptism. A representative of the congregation says:

You have been called to be among us to baptize, to teach, and to forgive sins.

They proceed to the place of the word. A representative of the congregation says:
You have been called to be among us to proclaim the good news.

They proceed to the place of the meal. A representative of the congregation says:
You have been called to be among us to preside at the Lord's Supper.

The presiding minister may address the assembly with these or similar words.
People of God, I present to you *Pastor Rick Bliese*, your *Associate Pastor Emmanuel Lutheran Church*.
Let us welcome *him* in the name of Christ.

The assembly may offer acclamation with applause.

The service continues with the prayers of intercession. Prayers are included for the newly installed pastor, all ministries in the church, and all Christians in their vocations.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Dwelling in the presence of God with us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all in any need. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

HEAR OUR PRAYER



Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:
peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.
God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

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We bring to you, Christ, members and friends of Emmanuel who need your healing touch

(Names from our congregation...)

*Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior. **Amen.***

Congregational refrain: "Hear Our Prayer"

PEACE

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.
The peace of Christ be with you always.*

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

OFFERING

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.
During this time, the table is set.*

The Lord Is My Light

Christopher Walker

(11:00) Emmanuel Choir

Ken Wistrom, flutist; Lorraine Wistrom, clarinetist

The Lord is my light, my help, my salvation. Why should I fear? With God I fear no one. God protects me all my life. With the Lord what should I dread? The Lord is my light, the Lord is my help, the Lord is my salvation. There is one thing I ask of the Lord that I long for: all of my days with God to be dwelling, gazing with awe at the beauty of God, and in wonder look on God's house. The Lord is my light, the Lord is my help, the Lord is my salvation. I know I will live to see the Lord's goodness, now in this life I'm sure I will see it. Trust in the Lord, be strong and be brave; wait in hope for God, our salvation. The Lord is my light, the Lord is my help, the Lord is my salvation.

OFFERING PRAYER

Holy God,
your beauty shines forth from the manger
and your love flows from the cross.
As you gather us around these signs
of your love come among us,
warm us to extend your care
among the hungry and all in need.
In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.

The assembly stands.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

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

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

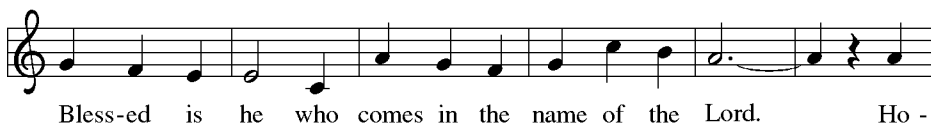
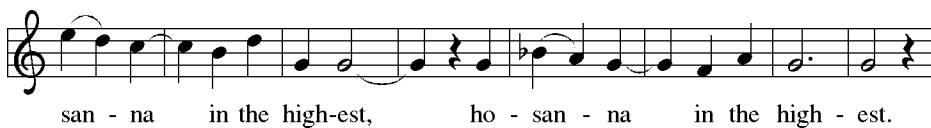
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.
By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations;
in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son;
and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,
the Word made flesh.

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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup
we remember your Word dwelling among us,
full of grace and truth.
We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.
We look with hope for his coming.
Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.
Come among us.
Bless this meal.
May your Word take flesh in us.
Awaken your people.
Fill us with your light.

Bring the gift of peace on earth.
Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours,
Holy One of Israel,
Word of God incarnate,
Power of the Most High,
one God, now and forever.
Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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

Come to the table where Christ meets you.
Eat, rejoice, and be glad!

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say
The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond
Amen.

*Invited to the Lord's Table are all baptized Christians who celebrate with us the Real Presence of Christ in the Sacrament. The Communion is administered by "intinction," that is, the bread is handed to the communicant and the communicant dips the bread into the wine. **If you are not able to take the wine, simply take the bread.** Children are invited to come forward for a blessing. If you desire Communion, but are not able to come forward, please let an usher know. We'll bring it to you. If you do not wish to partake of the Sacrament, simply remain seated when your row is directed to come forward.*

COMMUNION SONG



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.

ASSEMBLY SONGS:

O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright! (Verses 1-4)
Christ, Be Our Light

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ELW 715

The assembly stands.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of wonder,

in Jesus we behold the light of the world come near.

As you have come among us now,

send us out in joy, hastening to share

the good news of your love.

We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit dwelling among us now and forever.
Amen.

BLESSING

God the Creator who delights in you,
Jesus the Savior who is born for you,
and the lifegiving Spirit who shines on you,
✠ bless you and keep you in hope and peace.
Amen.

SENDING SONG: *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* **ELW 815**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the joy of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *In Dir ist Freude* **J. S. Bach**
(In Thee is Gladness)

7:45 Service

Greeters: *Jerry & Julie Kerr*

Assisting Minister: *Jim Klinke*

Lector: *Melissa Schrader*

Acolyte: *Ray Schrader*

Ushers: *Barry & Arlene Borman, Melissa Schrader, Marilyn Thomack*

Altar Guild: *Joyce O'Neil*

Hospitality: *Mike Maslowski and Maria Wigdahl*

9:30 Service

Greeters: *Robert Piasecki & Helen Hofmann*

Assisting Minister: *Cheryl Carlson*

Lector: *Idelle Bjelland*

Acolyte: *Gussie Paulson*

Ushers: *Hal Williams, Jerry Kimble, Bruce Carlson*

Altar Guild: *Bruce & Cheryl Carlson*

Hospitality: *Mike Maslowski and Maria Wigdahl*

11:00 Service

Greeters: *Rick & Maridee Boe*

Assisting Minister: *Dee Schleutker*

Lector: *Kathy Worley*

Acolyte: *Kathy Worley*

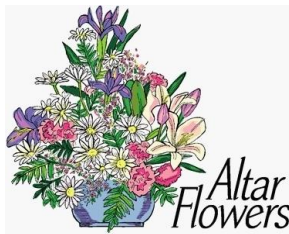
Ushers: *Bud & Nancy Umbach, Linda Goldberg, Laurie Wren*

Altar Guild: *Diedre Milligan*

Hospitality: *Mike Maslowski and Maria Wigdahl*



*Today
in Worship*



The flowers that beautify our altar today are given by Hilde & Michelle Finnegan and the Ellard Family in memory of Joseph Finnegan.

*Altar
Flowers*