The Epiphany of Our Lord January 6, 2024 9 am

We don't change the message, the message changes us

WE WELCOME you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. You are invited to open your heart to God's Word in Scripture, Sermon, and Song. Please sign our Record of Fellowship at each end of the open pews. You are Always welcome here – this is your Father's House! As we worship, we stand for some parts of the Liturgy. However, please feel free to remain seated if you prefer.

A cry room is available for fussy babies.

God Bless your worship with us!



Please sign the Fellowship Book. They are located at the end of each pew.

Hope Lutheran Chapel

5709 Osage Beach Parkway, Osage Beach, MO 65065 Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

> 10 a.m. Indoor Communion Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:20 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study

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Hope Lutheran Chapel Communion Statement: If you are a confirmed member in good standing of a LCMS or an AALC congregation, are repentant of your sins, and believe Jesus gives you His true body and blood for the forgiveness of your sins in the Lord's Supper, you are welcome to commune with us today. (I Cor. 11:17-32) For Lutherans, receiving the Lord's Supper, is an worship of the community. (I Cor. 10:14-22, 11:18-19, 26; Eph. 4:2-6) If you are a visitor from another Christian Church body or other faith, we welcome you to our service. As a sad consequence of the divisions in Christianity we cannot extend to you a general invitation to the Lord's Supper. Reception of the Lord's Supper by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist, and for which we must all pray. If you are a visitor and not sure whether or not you should commune, please speak with the Pastor, Elder, or Usher before the service.

Communion Note: For those who need assistance with the cup please hold out your hand and the Elder will hand it to you. Please place cup in buckets at end of rail when finished.

SANITIZER/WIPES ARE LOCATED AT THE END OF AISLE FOR THE HAND RAILS. Trashcans for wipes are at end of ramp.

If it is difficult for you to kneel at the rail, please feel free to remain standing.

Opening Hymn ~ The Star Proclaims the King Is Here

- The star proclaims the King is here; 1 But, Herod, why this senseless fear? For He who offers heav'nly birth Seeks not the kingdoms of this earth.
- 2 The eastern sages saw from far And followed on His guiding star; And, led by light, to light they trod And by their gifts confessed their God.
- 3 Within the Jordan's sacred flood The heav'nly Lamb in meekness stood Text: Public domain

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That He, of whom no sin was known,

When water reddened into wine!

Whom with the Father we adore,

He spoke the word, and forth it flowed

In streams that nature ne'er bestowed.

4 And oh, what miracle divine,

5 For this Thy glad epiphany All glory, Jesus, be to Thee,

And Holy Spirit evermore.

Might cleanse His people from their own.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

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Stand

Confession and Absolution

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **G** who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **G** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

- ☑ I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit Hymn ~ Hail to the Lord's Anointed

 Hail to the Lord's anointed, Great David's greater Son!
 Hail, in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun!
 He comes to break oppression, To set the captive free,
 To take away transgression And rule in equity.

2 He comes with rescue speedy To those who suffer wrong, To help the poor and needy And bid the weak be strong; To give them songs for sighing, Their darkness turn to light, Whose souls, condemned and dying, Were precious in His sight.

 3 He shall come down like showers Upon the fruitful earth;
 Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, Spring in His path to birth.

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Before Him on the mountains Shall peace, the herald, go; And righteousness in fountains From hill to valley flow.

 Kings shall fall down before Him And gold and incense bring; All nations shall adore Him, His praise all people sing. To Him shall prayer unceasing And daily vows ascend; *Text: Public domain* His kingdom still increasing, A kingdom without end.

5 O'er ev'ry foe victorious, He on His throne shall rest, From age to age more glorious, All blessing and all-blest. The tide of time shall never His covenant remove; His name shall stand forever— That name to us is Love.

KYRIE All Sing: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

P Glory be to God on High,

All Sing: and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee.
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

- **And with thy spirit.** (sing)
- **P** Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of a star You made known Your only-begotten Son to the Gentiles. Lead us, who know You by faith, to enjoy in heaven the fullness of Your divine presence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with

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You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen. (sing)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the LORD's glory is shining on you. Darkness still covers the earth and thick darkness covers the peoples, but the LORD will rise over you, and *His glory* will appear over you. Gentiles will come to your light, and as you shine, kings will come near. Lift your eyes and look around. All of them gather and come to you. Your sons come from a distance, your daughters carried on the arm. When you see it, you will be radiant, your heart trembling with pride and glad to know the abundance of the sea is turning to you and the wealth of the nations is coming to you. Many camels will cover your land, young camels of Midian and Ephah. All of those from Sheba will come, bringing gold and incense. They will tell of the LORD's wonderful deeds.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn ~ Hail, O Source of Every Blessing

 Hail, O Source of ev'ry blessing, Father of our human race!
 Gentiles now, Your grace possessing, In Your courts obtain a place.
 Grateful now, we fall before You, In Your Church rejoice to live,
 See Your glory and adore You, Thankful for the grace You give.

2 Once far off but now invited, We approach Your sacred throne, In Your covenant united, Reconciled, redeemed, made one. Now revealed to eastern sages, See the Star of Mercy shine, Myst'ry hid in former ages, Myst'ry great of love divine.

Hail, O all-inviting Savior!
 Gentiles now their off'rings bring,
 In Your temples seek Your favor,
 Jesus Christ, our Lord and King.
 May we, body, soul, and spirit,
 Live devoted to Your praise,
 Glorious realms of bliss inherit,
 Grateful anthems ever raise.

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Isaiah 60:1-6

EPISTLE LESSON

Ephesians 3:1-12

For this reason I, Paul, whom Christ Jesus made a prisoner for you who are not Jewssurely you've heard how God gave me the responsibility of bringing His grace to you and how He revealed to me the hidden truth, as I have briefly written. When you read this, you can see I understand the hidden truth of Christ. The people of other times weren't told about it as the Spirit now has revealed it to His holy apostles and prophets, that in Christ Jesus the people who are not Jews have the same inheritance, belong to the same body, and have the same promise through the good news. I was made a servant of it by the gift of grace God gave me by the working of His power. To me, the least of all His holy people, He gave this grace: to bring the news of the unsearchable riches of Christ to the non-Jews and let everyone see clearly what God planned to do according to the truth hidden from the beginning in God, Who created everything, so that through the church God's many-sided wisdom would now be shown to the rulers and authorities in heaven. He planned it through the ages and then did it in Christ Jesus, our Lord. In Him, by believing in Him, we have confidence and can boldly come to God.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

- **C** Alleluia. Alleluia. (sing)
- Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.
- **G** Alleluia. Alleluia. (sing)

HOLY GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12

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

Glory be to Thee, O Lord. (sing)

Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea when Herod was king. Then wise men came from the east to Jerusalem. "Where is the Child Who was born King of the Jews?" they asked. "We saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him." When King Herod heard about this, he became alarmed and all Jerusalem with him. He called together all of the people's ruling priests and Bible scholars and tried to find out from them where the Christ was to be born. "In Bethlehem, in Judea," they told him, "because the prophet has written: *And you, Bethlehem,* land of Judah, *are* not at all *the least among the leading towns of Judah, since from you will come a leader Who will be the Shepherd of My people Israel."* Then Herod secretly called the wise men and found out from them the exact time the star appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem. "Go and search carefully for the little Child," he said. "And when you find Him, report to me, so that I too may go and bow down before Him." After hearing the king, they started out. And there was the star they had seen in the east! It led them on until it came to a stop over the place where the Child was. They were overjoyed to see the star. They went into the house and saw the little Child with His mother Mary. Kneeling, they *worshiped Him.* Then they opened their treasure chests and *offered Him gifts: gold, incense,* and myrrh. But God warned them in a dream not to go back to Herod.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ. (sing)

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,

the Father Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth

and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light,

very God of very God,

begotten, not made,

being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary

and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day ~ O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright LSB 395

- O Morning Star, how fair and bright! You shine with God's own truth and light, Aglow with grace and mercy! Of Jacob's race, King David's son, Our Lord and master, You have won Our hearts to serve You only! Lowly, holy! Great and glorious, All victorious, Rich in blessing! Rule and might o'er all possessing!
- 2 Come, heav'nly Bridegroom, Light divine, And deep within our hearts now shine; There light a flame undying! In Your one body let us be As living branches of a tree, Your life our lives supplying. Now, though daily Earth's deep sadness May perplex us And distress us, Yet with heav'nly joy You bless us.
- Lord, when You look on us in love, At once there falls from God above A ray of purest pleasure.
 Your Word and Spirit, flesh and blood Refresh our souls with heav'nly food.
 You are our dearest treasure! Let Your mercy
 Warm and cheer us!
 O draw near us!

For You teach us God's own love through You has reached us.

- Almighty Father, in Your Son You loved us when not yet begun Was this old earth's foundation! Your Son has ransomed us in love To live in Him here and above: This is Your great salvation. Alleluia! Christ the living, To us giving Life forever, Keeps us Yours and fails us never!
- 5 O let the harps break forth in sound! Our joy be all with music crowned, Our voices gladly blending! For Christ goes with us all the way— Today, tomorrow, ev'ry day! His love is never ending! Sing out! Ring out! Jubilation! Exultation! Tell the story! Great is He, the King of Glory!
- 6 What joy to know, when life is past, The Lord we love is first and last, The end and the beginning! He will one day, oh, glorious grace, Transport us to that happy place Beyond all tears and sinning! Amen! Amen!

Come, Lord Jesus! We are yearning Crown of gladness! Text: © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110003440

Sermon

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

Offertory

All Sing: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Stand

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface thru Agnus Dei

P The Lord be with you.

G And with thy spirit. (sing)

P Lift up your hearts.

G We lift them up unto the Lord. (sing)

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

C It is meet and right so to do. (sing)

P It is truly meet, right and salutary . . .evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus (All Sing)

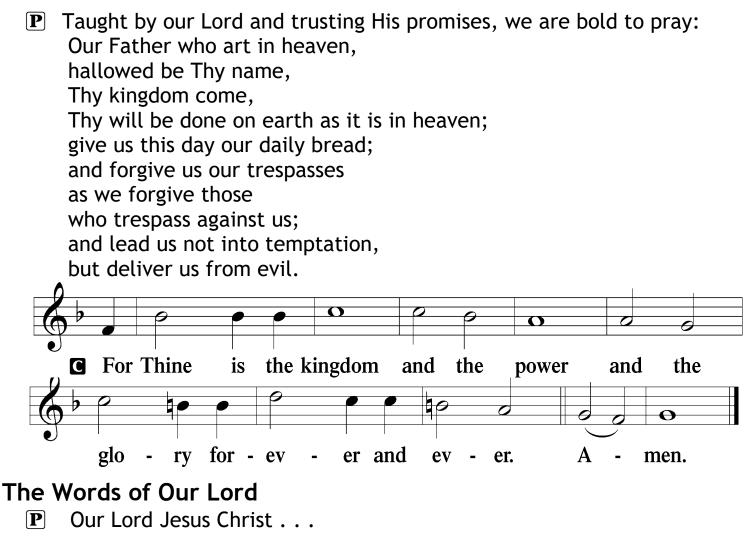
G Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Lord's Prayer LSB 196

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For the day of Your returning!



- **P** The peace . . . you always.
- **C** Amen. (sing)

Agnus Dei (All Sing)

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C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Sit

Distribution Hymn ~ As with Gladness Men of Old

 As with gladness men of old Did the guiding star behold; As with joy they hailed its light, Leading onward, beaming bright; So, most gracious Lord, may we Evermore be led by Thee. As with joyful steps they sped,
 Savior, to Thy lowly bed,
 There to bend the knee before
 Thee, whom heav'n and earth adore;
 So may we with willing feet
 Ever seek Thy mercy seat.

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- As they offered gifts most rare At Thy cradle, rude and bare, So may we with holy joy, Pure and free from sin's alloy, All our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heav'nly King.
- 4 Holy Jesus, ev'ry day Keep us in the narrow way; And when earthly things are past, *Text: Public domain*

Stand

Nunc Dimittis (All Sing)

Bring our ransomed souls at last Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glory hide.

5 In the heav'nly country bright
 Need they no created light;
 Thou its light, its joy, its crown,
 Thou its sun which goes not down;
 There forever may we sing
 Alleluias to our King.

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☑ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Thanksgiving

■ O give thanks unto the Lord for He is good,

- **G** and His mercy endureth forever. (sing)
- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{P}}$ Let us pray . . . one God, now and forever.
- **C** Amen. (sing)
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **And with thy spirit.** (sing)
- **P** Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God. (sing)

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.

G Amen. Amen. Amen. (sing)

Closing Hymn ~ Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

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- Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to Thee we raise, Manifested by the star To the sages from afar, Branch of royal David's stem In Thy birth at Bethlehem: Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in man made manifest.
- Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme; And at Cana wedding guest In Thy Godhead manifest; Manifest in pow'r divine, Changing water into wine; Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in man made manifest.
- Manifest in making whole
 Palsied limbs and fainting soul;
 Manifest in valiant fight,
 Quelling all the devil's might;

Manifest in gracious will, Ever bringing good from ill; Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in man made manifest.

- 4 Sun and moon shall darkened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee; Christ will then like lightning shine, All will see His glorious sign;
 All will then the trumpet hear, All will see the Judge appear; Thou by all wilt be confessed, God in man made manifest.
- 5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Present in Thy holy Word— Grace to imitate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou; That we might become like Thee At Thy great epiphany And may praise Thee, ever blest, God in man made manifest.

Offering plates are in the back of the sanctuary as you leave.



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