The Epiphany of Our Lord January 11 & 12, 2015

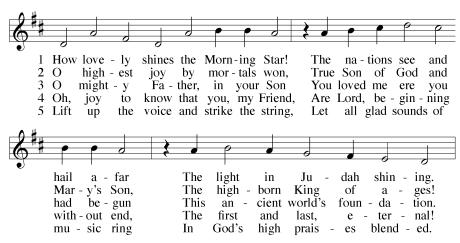


Welcome in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ! We are happy to have you with us. We pray that your worship will be enriched and blessed by the Word of God. Restrooms are located in the hallway off the west side of the sanctuary. We also ask that you sign one of our Friendship Registers which are located in each of the pews. Please come and worship with us again!

Our Worship Service

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WELCOME



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Text: Philipp Nicolai, 1556–1608, abr., adapt.; tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, St. Louis, 1941, alt. Tune: WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET (887 887 22 44 48) Philipp Nicolai, 1556–1608, alt.

Please Stand

THE INVOCATION

- **P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

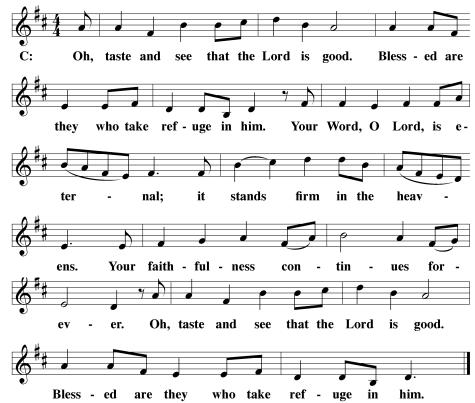
- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- **P:** God, our heavenly Father has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Lord God, by the leading of a star you once made known to the nations your one and only Son. Guide us, also, who know him now by faith, to come at last to the perfect joy of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



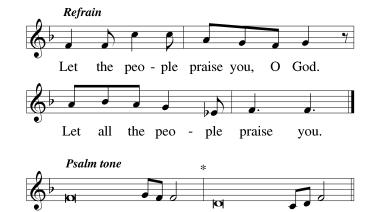
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The glory of the Lord shines for all nations; it is revealed in Jesus, the Savior of the world.

^{60:1}Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you. ²See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you. ³Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. ⁴"Lift up your eyes and look about you: All assemble and come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried on the arm. ⁵Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come. ⁶Herds of camels will cover your land, young camels of Midian and Ephah. And all from Sheba will come, bearing gold and incense and proclaiming the praise of the Lord.

THE PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 72

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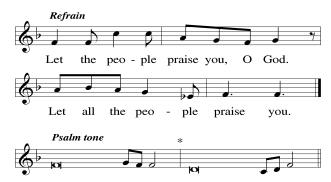
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Endow the King with your justice, O God,* the royal Son with your righteousness.

He will defend the afflicted among the people* and save the children of the needy.

He will endure as long as the sun,* as long as the moon, through all generations.

He will be like rain falling on a mown field,* like showers watering the earth.



All kings will bow down to him,* and all nations will serve him.

All nations will be blessed through him,* and they will call him blessed.

Praise be to the LORD God, who alone does marvelous deeds.* May the whole earth be filled with his glory.

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.

Refrain

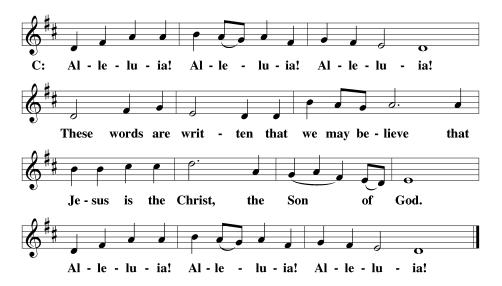
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Hard as it was for the Jews to understand or accept, the gospel is for all people, Jews and Gentiles alike. Like Paul, our task is to make this truth known.

²Surely you have heard about the administration of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly. ⁴In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, ⁵which was not made known to men in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets. This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus. ⁷I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God's grace given me through the working of his power. ⁸Although I am less than the least of all God's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, ⁹ and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things. ¹⁰His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, ¹¹according to his eternal purpose which he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. ¹²In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him. Alleluia. (Matthew 2:2b)



The wise men visit the young Jesus, fulfilling the prophecies that Gentiles would come to Jesus and proclaim him Savior of the world.

¹After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem ² and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him." ³When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. ⁴When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Christ was to be born. 5"In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written: 6"'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will be the shepherd of my people Israel.' "⁷Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. ⁸He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and make a careful search for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him." ⁹After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. ¹¹On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh. ¹²And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

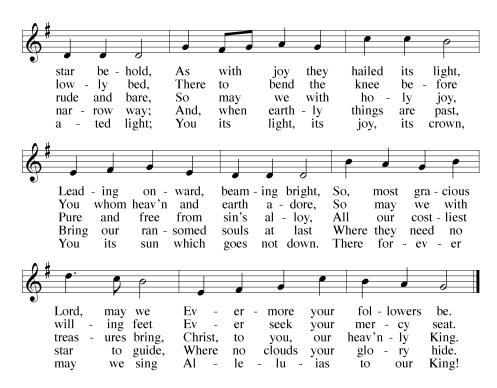


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CHILDREN'S TALK 10:30 AM



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Text: William C. Dix, 1837–98, alt.

Tune: Dix (77 77 77) Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872, alt

Please Stand

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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THE OFFERING

(We invite you to sign our Friendship Registers in each pew during the offering.)

THE OFFERING PRAYER

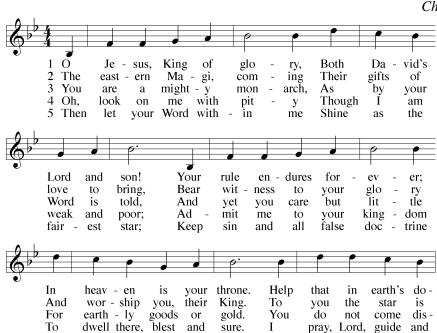
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THE PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

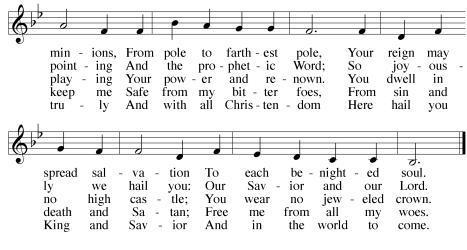
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the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

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Text: Martin Behm, 1557–1622, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, st. 1-2, 4-5, alt.; Evangelical Lutheran Hymnal, Columbus, OH, 1880, st. 3, alt.

Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN (76 76 D) Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635, alt.

Please Stand

P: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE BENEDICTION

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



Please be Seated

Help

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Text: Reginald Heber, 1783-1826, alt.

Tune: MORNING STAR (11 10 11 10) James P. Harding, 1850-1911, adapt.

Worship Participants

Liturgist and Preacher .. Pastor Brian Adams

Announcements

BOARD OF ELDERS: The Board of Elders will meet on Wednesday, January 14th at 6:30pm.

FUTURE BLOOD DRIVE: We would like to once again have a Blood Drive here at St. Paul's. It is a great way for us to reach out into the community. It is also a great way for us to help others through the blood donations. The Blood Center of Wisconsin provides many tools to ensure success of a blood drive, but nothing replaces a team to make the drive happen. If you are interested in being part of team to help organize a blood drive, please talk to Pastor Adams for more information.

NEW SERMON SERIES BEGINS NEXT WEEK: God has given us many different areas in our lives to manage. One of those areas is the management of the treasures that he gives us. Over the next three weeks, we will take a look at this area under the theme: "True Riches."

January 18 & 19 - "True Riches – Called to be Free" - We are free from the control of money because we are controlled by God. And that's what Christian stewardship is. Instead of being controlled by money and possessions, we are under the control of the Lord; by his grace we can use the money, possessions, time, and talents he has given to us in service to him. In the coming weeks we'll look at various aspects of how we use the money God has given to us.

January 25 & 26 – Praise Service

February 1 & 2 - "True Riches - Called to Give our Best" - It's possible to give your money away without giving yourself, but it's impossible to give away yourself without giving away your money. Please understand that what God ultimately desires is not your wealth. How silly a thought would it be that the God who created the universe needs material goods from us! Rather, God who created us to be in a loving relationship with us, desires our hearts. However, when we give freely to him the thing which the world holds on to most tightly, the thing that grips the hearts of many, it's a tangible expression of love to God. It shows that our hearts belong to him, that he is truly present in our hearts. For this grace we give thanks.

February 8 & 9 - "True Riches - Called to be Content" - Contentment has a lot to do with Christian giving because contentment gives us freedom. If we are content we are freed from having to spend money on what we don't really need; we are free to have better and sharper priorities. If we are content we are free from the message of the world to collect as much stuff as we can. If we are content we are free to give more to the Lord. We are free to know that the Lord is the most important Person in our lives. With those truths ringing in our ears we ask God to make us more content!

- **ANNUAL PRAISE SERVICE FEATURING KOINE:** On Sunday, January 25th, we will be having our Annual Praise Service featuring Koine. On Sunday, January 25th, we will have one service at 9:00am. They will be having a concert beginning at 10:30am as well. (There will still be a worship service on Monday, January 26th at 6:30pm.) Please mark your calendars and come and join us. This service is also a great opportunity to invite your friends, relatives and neighbors to join us for worship.
- MEN'S CONFERENCE: "Ironmen of God Wisconsin" Last year over 180 men from all over southern Wisconsin gathered to hear God's Word aimed right at them! Hear Pastors Wayne Shevey, Jason Ewart, Clark Schultz, and Jim Buske remind us of our God-given roles as "Ironmen of God." Our theme this year: "His Sacrifice... Our Response." (Galatians 2:20) Enjoy a delicious catered lunch and fellowship with your brothers in Christ! Ironmen of God is being held at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Ixonia, WI from 9 am to 2 pm on March 21, 2015. Cost is \$25. Space is limited! Register today at www.ironmenofgodwi.org
- CHRISTIAN WOMAN TODAY RETREAT: The Christian Woman Today Retreat, sponsored by Christ the Lord in Brookfield, WI, will be held March 20-22, 2015, at the Olympia Spa and Resort in Oconomowoc, WI. Throughout the weekend we will study God's encouragement to "be filled with the Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18b). Retreat brochures with registration forms are available at the following websites: ChristianWomanToday.org and ChristTheLordBrookfield.org. The registration deadline is February 20, 2015. For questions or additional information, please contact Maureen at 262-784-0412.
- **GYM USE REMINDER:** If anyone would like to use St. Paul's gym, we ask that you please contact Principal Schulmeister. There are many activities that are going on in our gym on a daily basis. Even though we attempt to keep St. Paul's web calendar up to date, there are unexpected changes that are made at the last moment. If people wish to use the rooms in the church, such as the Bible Class room, please contact Pastor Adams. We appreciate everyone's cooperation.
- **CHRISTMAS DECORATION TAKE DOWN:** We will be taking down the Christmas decorations in the church today, after the second service. The families of the confirmation class are invited to help.
- WISCONSIN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL SAVE THE DATE: On Sunday, April 26, at 1:30 p.m. everyone is invited to the Gifted for Praise Service of Dedication at Wisconsin Lutheran High School. Tours of the new building expansion will take place after the service. Please mark your calendars and save the date for this special service!
- **SENIOR CHOIR REHEARSAL:** There will be no Senior Choir Rehearsal this week. Please watch the bulletin for the next rehearsal time.

- **ST. PAUL'S MEMBER IN NEED:** Henrietta Jakubowski, who is a member here at St. Paul's is looking for someone to drive her to appointments at various times. If you would like to help Henrietta out please contact her daughter, Diane. Her phone number is (888) 216-2069.
- **MEDITATIONS AND FORWARD IN CHRIST:** There is a sign up sheet on the counter in the narthex for anyone who would like to receive Meditations and Forward in Christ. The deadline for signing up is January 30th.
- ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL, FRANKLIN LOOKING FOR AN EXTENDED LEARNING TEACHER: St. Paul's is looking for someone interested in a part-time Extended Learning Teacher position for approximately 20-25 hours per week for at least the remainder of the school year. This individual will work with 10-13 students with different levels of intervention needs, as well as communicate with the Franklin School District for formal assessment of students. All interested persons may contact Nathan Schulmeister at 414-421-1930 or by email at nschulmeister@stpaulsfranklin.org with any questions or to discuss this position.
- ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL, FRANKLIN LOOKING FOR A PART-TIME SUBSTITUTE TEACHER: St. Paul's is also looking for a part-time sub for approximately 7-10 hours per week. This teacher would work with the 6th Grade to allow for the Principal's Administrative Release Time. All interested persons may contact Nathan Schulmeister at 414-421-1930 or by email at nschulmeister@stpaulsfranklin.org with any questions or to discuss this position.
- **EARLY CHILD ENRICHMENT CENTER:** St. Paul's Early Child Enrichment Center is now open for enrollment for the 2015/2016 school year. Children must be 3 or 4 years old by September 1st, 2015. Interested families may contact Mrs. Patti Krizan or Mrs. Nancy Willms at 414-421-1833 for more information. Registrations are taken on a first come first serve basis. Enrollment opens to the community after February 1st.
- **VOTERS MEETING:** The Church Council set a Voters Meeting for Tuesday, January 13th at 6:30pm. Reports will be given about the work of the different boards here at St. Paul's. Another item of business will be for the Voters Assembly to act upon the recommendation of the Church Council to call a second pastor here at St. Paul's.
- **BOARD OF ELDERS MEETING:** The Board of Elders will meet on Wednesday, January 14 at 6:30 pm.

PSCIC: Because of the voters meeting on Tuesday, January 13th, there will not be PSCIC.

GRILL KINGS MEN BIBLE STUDY: Grill Kings is a Christ-centered ministry that provides men the opportunity to be equipped, inspire and motivate men to be Christ-like. Grill Kings is a great time in which men of all ages and backgrounds come together and enjoy a time of fellowship and growing in the Lord. Their next meeting will be at St. Paul's on January 17th. The doors open at 4:30 P.M to set up, and start at 5:00 P.M, it will be finished by 9:00 P.M. All men are welcome to come.

MEN OF HIS WORD CONFERENCE: Registration for Men of His Word 2015 "A Shelter from the Storm" is now open. The Conference is January 31, 2015 in Oshkosh. Don't miss this chance to gather with hundreds of your fellow Christian men for a day of inspiration. The 20 different sessions will both encourage and challenge you in your walk of faith. For more information and registration go to: www.menofhisword.org.

WLHS 5TH GRADE EXTRAVAGANZA: 5th grade students and parents-Wisconsin Lutheran High School is hosting a 5th Grade Extravaganza on Sunday, January 25, 5:30-7:30 p.m. The evening is free and includes dinner and a fun night of entertainment. There's even an iPod touch giveaway! RSVP by January 19, to Mark Ricke, 414-453-4567 ext. 2024 or mark.ricke@wlhs.org.

Volunteers

GREETERS THIS WEEK (1/11 & 1/12)

8:00 AM- Tony & Mary Tripoli

10:30 AM- Dave & Cindy Wirtz; Brandon, Austin & Ian

6:30 PM- Marion Szudrowitz

GREETERS NEXT WEEK (1/18 1/19

8:00 AM- Lyle & Christie Timm

10:30 AM- Roberto & Kendra Matus; Mara, Caleb

6:30 PM- Dave & Janet Long

USHERS FOR JANUARY:

8:00 AM TEAM # 1-Bob Hille, Larry Stujenske, Josh Ebeling, Philip Becker 10:30 AM TEAM # 5-Mark Klein, Chris Klein, Bob Dittrich, Gary Eickhorst, Todd Grunze, Dan Metz, Brett Abramowski

6::30 PM TEAM #9-Curt Stellwagon, Dave Long, Max Gruenebeg

ALTAR GUILD:

January 7-January 13 Team #2- Jane Koplein, Karen Hille, Kelly Cannistra

The Weekly Schedule

Sunday, January 11 Worship Service	8:00 AM
Adult Bible/Sunday School	
Worship Service	
Monday, January 12	
Worship Service with Communion	6:30 PM
Tuesday, January 13	
Voters Meeting	6:30 PM
Wednesday, January 14	
Board of Elders Meeting	6:30 PM
NO Senior Choir Rehearsal	
Thursday, January 15	
Adult Hand Bells	6:30 PM
Friday, January 16	
School Devotion	8:30 PM
Preschool Power Hour	10:45 AM
Sunday, January 18	
Worship Service	8:00 AM
Adult Bible/Sunday School	
Worship Service	
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Statistics – Last Week

Worship Attendance: 8:00 AM -75 Communed 67; 10:30 AM -165, Communed 107; 6:30 PM -42, Communed 36; Total Attendance - 282; Total Communed 210; Bible Study N/A; Sunday School N/A