



Wishing On A Star

Epiphany of Our Lord

Contemporary Worship
9:00 and 10:45 am
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Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church! Please sign the red Worship Witness booklet to record your attendance with us this day, and indicate how many are communing. Then pass the booklet to the worshipers beside you in your row. If you are a guest, name tags are available for you to wear--we would be delighted to greet you by name. Hearing assistance devices are available at the Gathering Space desk.

about today's service

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.

P: Pastor

L: Lector

C: Congregation

✚ Gathering ✚

We gather together to praise God and receive His love.

Song: "Blessed Be Your Name"

Verse 1

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name.

Verse 2

Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name.

Bridge 1

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,

Chorus

"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name."

Verse 3

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's "all as it should be." Blessed be Your name.

Verse 4

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering,
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name.

Bridge 1**Chorus (2X)****Bridge 2**

You give and take away, You give and take away,
My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be Your name."
You give and take away, You give and take away,
My heart will choose to say, "Blessed be Your glorious name."

Bridge 1**Chorus (3X)**

Tag: "Your glorious name."

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Song: "Christmas Offering"**Verse 1**

Over the skies of Bethlehem appeared a star
while angels sang to lonely shepherds.
Three wise men seeking truth traveled from afar,
hoping to find the child from heaven.
And falling on their knees,
they bowed before the humble Prince of Peace.

Chorus

I bring an offering of worship to my King.
No one on earth deserves the praises that I sing.
Jesus, may You receive the honor that You're due.
O Lord, I bring an offering to You.

Verse 2

The sun cannot compare to the glory of Your love.
There is no shadow in Your presence.
No mortal man would dare to stand before Your throne,
before the holy One of heaven.
It's only by Your blood
And it's only through Your mercy. Lord, I come.

Chorus (2X)

I bring an offering of worship to my King.
No one on earth deserves the praises that I sing.
Jesus, may You receive the honor that You're due.
O Lord, I bring an offering to You.

Tag:

O Lord, I bring an offering to You.
O Lord I bring an offering to You.
I bring an offering to You.

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Song: "Here I Am to Worship"

Verse 1 (2X)

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness,
Opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore You,
Hope of a life spent with You.

Chorus

Here I am to worship,
Here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God.
You're altogether lovely,
Altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.

Verse 2

King of all days, oh so highly exalted,
Glorious in heaven above.
Humbly You came to the earth You created,
All for love's sake became poor.

Chorus (2X)

Bridge (2X)

And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross.

Chorus (2X)

Tag: Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see.

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Welcome and Announcements

(Stand)

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity + one God, who stretches out the heavens, who sends light to the nations, who gives breath to us all.

C: Amen.

P: *Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.*

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Loving God,

C: we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways.

Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly;

we have not spoken or acted at all;

we have hurt those closest to us;

we have hurt those we have yet to know;

we have thought more about ourselves than others;

we have thought less of ourselves than we ought.

Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children. Amen.

P: Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of +Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, you revealed the incarnation of your Son by the brilliant shining of a star. Shine the light of your justice always in our hearts and over all lands, and accept our lives as the treasure we offer in your praise and for your service, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

C: Amen.

(Sit)

✚ Word ✚

We listen to the story of God's mighty acts for the sake of His people.

First Reading

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. The bountiful food of the sea and the profits of international trade will come streaming to Jerusalem and thereby declare God's praise.

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

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Story

(Stand)

Gospel Acclamation: "**Celtic Alleluia**"

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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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.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ²asking, "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." ³When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ⁶'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.' " ⁷Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then 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." ⁹When 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. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On 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. ¹²And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Sit)

Sermon: "Wishing on a Star"

Sister Marianne Brock

(Stand)

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.

Prayers of the Church

Following each petition are the words: "Lord, in your mercy,"

Please respond with: "hear our prayer."

† Meal †

When we celebrate communion we remember that Jesus died for us and we experience His love and forgiveness. As we eat the bread and wine Christ is present with us.

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

(Sit)

Offering:

Optional methods of giving: text an amount to 717-963-2281 (be sure to use a "\$"); use the Giving Station in the Gathering Space to donate by credit card.

Special Music: "Born in Bethlehem"

Verse 1

Baby Jesus born in a stable humble Savior's birth,
You left Your throne in Heaven above to live here on the earth.

Verse 2

Baby Jesus lying in a manger crying for the world.
The angels told the shepherds of the good news for us all.

Chorus

Hallelujah, the King is here, given for all men,
For today the Holy Son of God is born in Bethlehem.

Verse 3

Come now sinners and you Saints all peasants and all kings,
And bow before the Earth's Redeemer let all voices sing:

Chorus (2X)

Instrumental

Verse 4

Baby Jesus do You know You'll die for all our sins?
Don't be afraid for in three days
You will rise again, You will rise again!

Chorus (2X)

Tag: Born in Bethlehem.

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(Stand)

Offering Prayer

L: Let us pray. Merciful God,

C: receive the gifts we bring, our selves, our time, and our possessions. Through this meal unite us as your body, shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

P: Christ is here.

C: The Spirit is with us.

P: With joy, we lift up our hearts.

C: And give thanks to the Lord of Life.

P: Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all. By your powerful word you created all things. Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations. Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light. By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C: Amen

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Holy Communion

P: The gifts of God for the people of God.

C: Amen.

(Sit)

Sharing our Lord's Supper

All baptized Christians are welcome to celebrate the real presence of Jesus Christ in our Lord's Supper. Please come forward by the middle aisle, receive the bread, dip it into the wine, and return by the side aisles. Communion may be received in bread only, if desired. Non-communing children and adults are invited to come forward for a blessing. As a gesture of hospitality we use dealcoholized wine (less than .5% alcohol). In addition, we offer gluten-free wafers available upon request--please ask the pastor at the time of communion.

(Stand)

Post-Communion Blessing and Prayer

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

C: Amen.

P: Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

✝ Sending ✝

*We have heard the Word of God, offered our gifts, and been fed at the table.
Now we are sent out, strengthened by the Holy Spirit to be God's people in the world.*

Blessing

P: The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ✝Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

C: **Amen.**

Song: "Mighty to Save"

Verse 1

Ev'ryone needs compassion, love that's never failing.
Let mercy fall on me.
Ev'ryone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Saviour.
The Hope of nations.

Chorus

Saviour, He can move the mountains.
My God is mighty to save. He is mighty to save.
Forever, Author of Salvation.
He rose and conquered the grave. Jesus conquered the grave.

Verse 2

So take me as You find me, all my fears and failures.
Fill my life again.
I give my life to follow, ev'rything I believe in.
Now I surrender.

Chorus (2X)

Bridge (2X)

Shine your light, and let the whole world see.
We're singing for the glory of the risen King.
Jesus. Shine your light and let the whole world see.
We're singing for the glory of the risen King.

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Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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worship notes

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The flowers in the Nave and Fellowship Hall, the communion elements for all services, and the sanctuary lamp candle, the symbol of God's abiding presence, are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Tilman and Nadine Foust by their daughter, Barbara Kriebel; Helen Bigelow by Ralph and family; Ann Wardlow, by her family; John J. Krafsig, Jr. by his wife Sandra.

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Communion Assistants: (9:00) Michelle Sine, Kim Hoover, Lyn Reed; (10:45) Jane Killian, Angela Clark, Wendy Boyer

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Sound Technician: (9:00) Kevin Brady; (10:45) Royce Hoffman

Video Presentation: (9:00) Barb Henderson; (10:45) Max Hahn

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