

2024

“Worship the God of Wonders”



WELCOME TO WORSHIP EPIPHANY/BAPTISM OF OUR LORD SUNDAY

Outdoor worshipers, tune your car radio to 106.1 FM to hear and join in today's Worship service

It is my pleasure to tell you about the miraculous signs and wonders that the Most High God has performed for me. How great are His signs, how mighty His wonders! His kingdom is an eternal kingdom; His dominion endures from generation to generation..

Daniel 4:2,3

Call Statement:

“My call is to share my Faith in Christ”

Mission Statement:

“To live my Faith in Christ I will build loving relationships so others will become disciples with Jesus as Lord and Savior.”

WELCOME AND PRAYER

BRIEF ORDER: CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

All: **And also with you** (*Greet each other sharing Christ's peace.*)

HYMN

As with Gladness Men of Old

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Verse 1

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.

Verse 2

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.

Verse 3

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 heavn'ly King.

Verse 4
Holy Jesus, ev'ry day
Keep us in the narrow way;
And when earthly things are past,
Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds Thy glory hide.

Verse 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.

The APOSTOLIC GREETING LBW pg. 78

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The HYMN OF PRAISE LBW pg. 81

The SALUTATION LBW pg. 82

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray: Lord God, Heavenly Father

All: You have given us the light of Your holy Word, which is our true guiding star that leads us to the Christ-child. Send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive this light and make use of it to our salvation. As the wise men were not afraid of any hardship or danger when they were seeking the star, may we also put all our trust in Your only Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, as our only Savior, devote our earthly possessions to the advancement of Your kingdom and in all things serve Him; Your only Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One true God, now and forever. Amen.
Veit Dietrich - reformation theologian

LESSONS

Ephesians 3:1-12

Romans 6;1-11

GOSPELS

Matthew 2:1-12

Mark 1:4-11

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Jeffrey J. Lee

Revealed to Us

SONG

God of Wonders

Verse 1
Lord of all creation, Of water earth and sky;
The heavens are Your tabernacle. Glory to the Lord on high!

Chorus 1
God of wonders beyond our galaxy, You are holy, holy.
The universe declares Your majesty, You are holy, holy.
Lord of heaven and earth, Lord of heaven and earth

Verse 2
Early in the morning, I will celebrate the light.
When I stumble in the darkness
I will call Your name by night.

Bridge
Hallelujah, to the Lord of heaven and earth. (3x)

Chorus 2
God of wonders beyond our galaxy, You are holy, holy.
Precious Lord, reveal Your heart to me.
Father hold me, hold me.
The universe declares Your majesty,
You are holy, holy, holy, holy!

Chorus 3
God of wonders beyond our galaxy, You are holy, holy.
Precious Lord, reveal Your heart to me.
Father hold me, hold me.

Ending

Hallelujah, to the Lord of heaven and earth. (4x)

NICENE CREED (in unison)

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; By the power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified. He 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 INTERCESSION

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us be united as the Church in heart and mind as we go to our heavenly Father in prayer...

Pastor: *(After each petition. . .)* Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: . . . Accept, O Lord, the prayers of Your faithful people for the well being of Your holy Church throughout the world. Govern and sanctify it, with all its pastors and ministers, by

Your Holy Spirit, that we may be kept by Your Word in true Faith and fervent love toward You and one another.

All: Amen.

The GREAT THANKSGIVING

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The HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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The WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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The LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

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**All: 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.**

The LAMB OF GOD

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The DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you by His grace unto life everlasting.

All: Amen.

The POST COMMUNION CANTICLE "Thank the Lord" LBW pg. 92

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray. Eternal God,

**All: We give You thanks, that You have refreshed us
through the healing power of this gift of life; and we
pray that in Your mercy You would strengthen us,
through this gift, in faith toward You and in fervent love
toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.**

THE SENDING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray. Heavenly Father,

All: **Open my eyes, open my heart, so I see and have compassion on broken and lost people around me. Move me to bring Hope into their lives with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Give me courage. Give me patience. Guide my words. Through me I pray they experience Jesus' redeeming Love. I ask in Jesus' Name. Amen**

THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

All: **Amen.**

SONG

The River

Verse 1

**Down the mountain the river flows
And it brings refreshing wherever it goes.
Through the valleys and over the fields
The river is rushing and the river is here.**

Chorus

**The river of God sets our feet a-dancing,
The river of God fills our hearts with cheer.
The river of God fills our mouths with laughter,
And we rejoice for the river is here.**

Verse 2

**The river of God is teeming with life,
And all who touch it can be revived.
And those who linger on this river's shore
Will come back thirsting for more of the Lord.**

Verse 3

**Up to the mountain we love to go
To find the presence of the Lord.
Along the banks of the river we run,
We dance with laughter giving praise to the Son.**

THE DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go and be a witness for the Lord!

All: **Thanks be to God!**

NEXT SUNDAY January 14, 2024

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Readings for Next Sunday

1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20) Psalm 139:1-10

1 Corinthians 6:12-20 John 1:43-51

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December 31, 2023

Attend:30

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following worship today



Upcoming Dates to remember:

January 28, 2024

Annual Meeting following Worship

February 14, 2024

Ash Wednesday Worship 7:00 pm

March 29, 2024

Good Friday 7:00 PM

March 31, 2024

Resurrection/Easter Sunday Celebration

