

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS - If you'd like to donate altar flowers for one of our worship services, please sign up and find details on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. Thank you!

FELLOWSHIP SNACKS - If you'd like to serve treats for our fellowship time on Sunday, please sign up in the fellowship hall. Thank you!

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT - Christ the King is looking to hire an administrative assistant for 10 hours/week. Interested applicants can bring their resume to Pastor Van Kampen for a detailed job description. **Applications close this Friday, Jan. 6.**

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL & VOTERS MEETING - Our annual meetings will be held on Sunday, January 15, at 10:30 a.m. (following the worship service). **Year-end reports are due** in the office by January 6 in preparation for our meetings. **Church Council meets Sunday, Jan. 8, at 11:30 a.m.** Thank you!

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS - Newly elected and re-elected officers and board members will be installed during the service on Sunday, January 15.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST THE KING:

SUNDAY (1/1/23)
New Year's Day

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY (1/8)

Divine Service w/Holy Comm., 9:00 a.m.

Family Bible Hour, 10:20 a.m.

No Monday night service

Tuesday Bible Class, 9:00 a.m.

Brookview Meadows Service, 2:30 p.m.

Board of Elders, 6:30 p.m.

Emerald Bay Service, 4:00 p.m.

Remove Christmas Decorations, 8:00 a.m.

Divine Service, 9:00 a.m.

Education Hour, 10:20 a.m.

Church Council Meeting, 11:30 a.m.

OUR MISSION

Christ the King Ev.
Lutheran Church *gives*
all praise and thanks to
the Triune God for His
grace received through
Word and Sacrament *by*
sharing the saving
Gospel of Christ with the
people of this community
and the world.

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Welcome and thank you for joining us for worship today! In our service we gather before our almighty and saving God to hear His holy and powerful Word and celebrate His life-giving Sacraments, offering our prayers and praises as He strengthens our faith and walks us ever closer to our eternal home with Him.

SERVICE NOTES FOR TODAY

At the Epiphany of Our Lord, we continue to celebrate the birth of the Savior of Nations! *The dawning of God's Son is so bright and glorious that His light reaches to the ends of the earth. Jew and Gentile alike gather to worship the newly born King of kings!*

If you need any assistance, please ask any of our ushers for help. In inclement weather, or if walking from your car is difficult, please make use of the carport. The ushers will gladly park and/or retrieve your car for you if needed.

Guests and visitors, thank you for joining us today! Please sign the Guest Book before you leave (the red binder in the front of church). Please, come and worship with us again!

There is a Parents' Room at the rear of the sanctuary if you need to temporarily calm a child. From there you can still see, hear, and participate in the worship service.

For your convenience the order of service is printed on the following pages. The Service of Holy Communion is also found on p. 15ff in the front of the red hymnal.

Holy Communion: We hold to the ancient, biblical practice of “close communion,” communing only confirmed members of our church or churches of our fellowship (ELS and WELS). Guests, please speak with the pastor prior to the service if you wish to commune. Thank you for your courteous respect of our beliefs and practices.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Minister	Rev. S. Piet Van Kampen
Organist	Deb Meyer
Elder on Duty	Rod Meves
Ushers	David Diestler, Charles Hartwig, Rick Schnese
Altar Guild	Barbara Hartwig & Sue Wallenfang

M: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through these salutary gifts, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through them in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

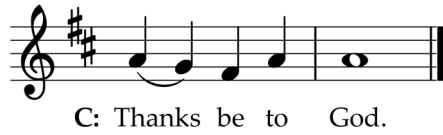


THE BENEDICTION

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Let us bless the Lord.



M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past | 123 v. 1, 4, 8

Please stand.

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

“Now Dismiss”

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in_ peace ac - cord-ing to Thy
word, For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation: which Thou hast pre -
pared_ be - fore the face of all people,
a Light_ to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
people Is - ra-el. Glo - ry_ be to the Father and to the
Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; As it_ was in the beginning is now, and
ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING

M: O, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C: And His mercy en - dureth for - ev - er.

The Order of the Holy Communion

Please stand.

HYMN

As with Gladness Men of Old | 127

INVOCATION & CONFESSION OF SINS

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: A - men.

M: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: Who made heaven and earth.

M: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

C: And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

C: O almighty God, merciful Father, I a poor, miserable sinner, confess to 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.

M: 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: A - men.

You may be seated.

THE INTROIT & GLORIA PATRI

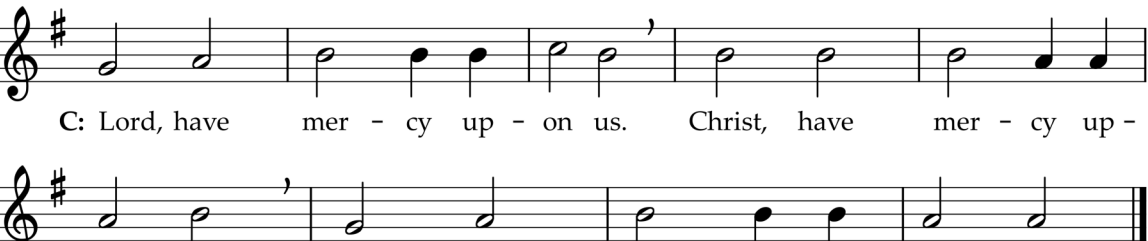
Psalm 72:1, 11

M: Behold, the Lord, the Ruler, has come, and the kingdom and the power and the glory are in His hand. All kings shall fall down before Him, all nations shall serve Him. Give the King Your judgments, O God, and Your righteousness to the King’s Son.


C: Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;
As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,
world with - out end. A - men.

KYRIE—LORD, HAVE MERCY

Psalm 123


C: Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

THE AGNUS DEI (“LAMB OF GOD”)


O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world,
have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world,
grant us Thy peace. A - - - men.

You may be seated.
During the Distribution, communicants may come forward at the direction of the ushers.

THE DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table | 315

THE LORD’S PRAYER

M: 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;

C: For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the
glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying: “Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink of it all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you and for many, for the remission of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always!

A - men.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

“Glory be to God on High” - Luke 2:14

C: Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the
world, have mercy up - on us. Thou that takest away the sin of the
world, re - ceive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the

Father, have mercy up - on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou
on - ly art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly
Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

SALUTATION & COLLECT

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spir - it.

M: 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.

C: A - men.

You may be seated.

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: It is meet and right so to do.

M: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God; and now we praise You that You sent us Your only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a Man, You manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Sab - a - oth;

Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo-ry; Ho - san-na, Ho - san-na, Ho - san-na in the

high-est. Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He that com-eth in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san-na in the high - est.

Please stand.

THE OFFERTORY

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re - store un-to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion; and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

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THE PREFACES & THE SANCTUS (“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”)

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spir - it.

FIRST LESSON: ISAIAH 60:1-6

The Gentiles shall come to the light of God’s glory in Christ.

Arise, shine; For your light has come! And the glory of the LORD is risen upon you.

² For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, And deep darkness the people;

But the LORD will arise over you, And His glory will be seen upon you.

³ The Gentiles shall come to your light, And kings to the brightness of your rising.

⁴ " Lift up your eyes all around, and see: They all gather together, they come to you;

Your sons shall come from afar, And your daughters shall be nursed at your side.

⁵ Then you shall see and become radiant, And your heart shall swell with joy;

Because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you,

The wealth of the Gentiles shall come to you.

⁶ The multitude of camels shall cover your land, The dromedaries of Midian and Ephah;

All those from Sheba shall come; They shall bring gold and incense,

And they shall proclaim the praises of the LORD.

CHORAL ANTHEM

Star of the East

SECOND LESSON: EPHESIANS 3:2-12

Paul brings the riches of Christ to the Gentiles.

[Y]ou have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which was given to me for you, ³ how that by revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already, ⁴ by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ), ⁵ which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets: ⁶ that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ through the gospel, ⁷ of which I became a minister according to the gift of the grace of God given to me by the effective working of His power.

⁸ To me, who am less than the least of all the saints, this grace was given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, ⁹ and to make all see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ; ¹⁰ to the intent that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places, ¹¹ according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹² in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through faith in Him.

GRADUAL

Matthew 2:2b

M: Alleluia. We saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him. Alleluia.

C: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

Please stand.

GOSPEL LESSON: MATTHEW 2:1-12 *The Magi come to worship the One born King of the Jews.*



C: Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord!

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ² saying, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him."

³ When Herod the king heard *this*, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. ⁴ And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵ So they said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it is written by the prophet: ⁶ 'But you, Bethlehem, *in* the land of Judah, Are not the least among the rulers of Judah; For out of you shall come a Ruler Who will shepherd My people Israel.' "

⁷ Then Herod, when he had secretly called the wise men, determined from them what time the star appeared. ⁸ And he sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the young Child, and when you have found *Him*, bring back word to me, that I may come and worship Him also."

⁹ When they heard the king, they departed; and behold, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. ¹⁰ When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy. ¹¹ And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented gifts to Him: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹² Then, being divinely warned in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed for their own country another way.

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!



C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

THE 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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe 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.

You may be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY

How Lovely Shines the Morning Star | 343

Please stand for the singing of the last verse.

SERMON - Matthew 2:1-12

A Savior Is Born for All the Nations

1. As revealed by God.
2. As proclaimed by the wise men.

