

Take a moment to notice the \* at the beginning of various portions of the order of service. The \* indicates the place where it is inappropriate to enter or leave the sanctuary because it marks a time of prayer or respect for the Word of the Lord. Please be considerate of others around you by honoring these notations.



*Epiphany means "manifestation" or "appearance." It is a season which highlights many of the epiphanies of God in human flesh (to the wise men, at His Baptism, His miracles, His transfiguration). It is a season which also sets forth Christ as the light of the world and mission outreach to all peoples. As Christ manifests Himself today in the Lord's Supper, His forgiveness empowers us to walk in His light and witness of Him to the world sitting in darkness. Since God's Word teaches that doctrinal unity is central to the common reception of the Lord's Supper, guests desiring to commune are kindly asked to speak with the pastor or an elder before the service. If you do not belong to a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, we invite you to join our communion fellowship. For details, please speak or make an appointment with Pastor Kane through the church office (319) 235-6705.*

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Jesus' first Miracle Reveals God's Glory

January 14, 2024

**AS WE GATHER:** The coming of the Messianic kingdom means the restoration of creation. The sign of this restoration is that "*the mountains shall drip sweet wine*" (Amos 9:11-15). When the elements of a fallen creation fail and run short at a wedding feast, our Lord Jesus steps in to restore creation and miraculously changes water into an abundance of the very best wine (John 2:1-11). With this sign, Christ manifests His glory. The "*back*" of God (Ex. 33:12-23) is revealed to those who believe. The hour will come when Jesus will again manifest His glory by taking creation's curse into His own body to release us from its power. The Bridegroom will give His life for the Bride (Eph. 5:22-32), and from His side will flow water and blood, the holy sacraments by which she is cleansed and made one with Him. Through this sacrificial love of Christ we are enabled to "*love one another with brotherly affection . . .*" and to "*outdo one another in showing honor*" (Rom. 12:6-16).

\*COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Pastor:Almighty and everlasting God,

**People:** who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP  
Divine Service I

Announcements

Opening Hymn: LSB 872

"Come, Thou Bright and Morning Star"

\*Confession/Absolution: LSB 151

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Kyrie: LSB 152ff

\*Goria in Excelsis: LSB 154

\*Salutation: LSB 156

\*Collect of the Day: (Printed)

Catechism Recitation

Catechism Review Question #31

Old Testament: Exodus 33:12-23

Pew Bible Page 140

Epistle: Romans 12:6-16

Pew Bible Page 1764

\*Alleluia and Verse: LSB 156

\*Holy Gospel: John 2:1-11

Pew Bible Page 1648

\*Nicene Creed: LSB 158

Hymn of the Day: **LSB 737**  
"Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing"

Sermon

Offertory Choir  
"Dona Nobis Pacem" (Grant Us Peace)

\*Prayer of the Church

\*Lords Prayer LSB 162

\*Benediction LSB 166  
This concludes the service for online viewing

\*SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT  
LSB 160ff

Distribution Hymns:  
"The Only Son from Heaven" **LSB 402**  
"Here, O My Lord, ..." **LSB 631**

\*Thank the Lord: LSB 164  
\*Post-Communion Collect: LSB 166  
\*Benediction: LSB 166  
Closing Hymn: **LSB 394**  
"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

As Prayer Warriors with Love, Inc.: For women- a woman please pray that her upcoming knee surgery will go well, and that her recovery will be smooth. a woman please pray that God will show her guidance, strength, and peace. Please pray that she will have success completing the CNA program at Hawkeye. a woman please pray that she will have the strength to stand strong. a woman please pray that she heals from COVID. Also, please pray that her family be safe. a woman please pray for her children, ages 8 and 15. a woman please pray for God to give her strength, and help her find a job. a woman please pray for continued progress with regard to her knee. Please pray for her great grand-son, age 4-- who gets agitated and throws things; has behavior problems; and needs help with anger management. a woman please pray for health and wellbeing; finances; kids to develop motivation and independence. Also, please pray for her family relationships. For men- a man please pray

Please pray for my husband, that he would lose his desire for the other woman and any darkness that binds him, that he would be drawn to the Lord and repent, and that his love for me would be renewed stronger than ever.

a man please pray that he be healed of diabetes, and neuropathy that make every minute of his day painful . He wants to lose weigh. He needs a recliner for a large person that has heat and massage but hasn't the funds to buy.

Asking Jesus to touch these situations and bring the answers needed. Asking Jesus to minister to all of these precious folks in need of prayer. Thank you dear Jesus!



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