

## Prayer Requests

### Healing and Comfort

Reba Peterson  
Suzanne Johnston  
Keith Rennerfeldt

### Blessings/Guidance

Concordia Academy  
Rich & Miriam Carter

### Shut ins

Lisa Bisping

## The Week Ahead

### SUNDAY, January 6

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship w/Communion  
10:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship w/Communion  
Noon Eritrean Worship

### MONDAY, January 7

### TUESDAY, January 8

9:00 A.M. Hamline Midway Elders  
7:00 P.M. Lay Ministry

### WEDNESDAY, January 9

6:00 P.M. Confirmation

### THURSDAY, January 10

### FRIDAY, January 11

### SATURDAY, January 12

### SUNDAY, January 13

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship  
10:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship  
Noon Eritrean Worship

### Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

Jan. 6: Greg Zinter  
Jan. 7: Bev Piepkorn  
Jan. 8:  
Jan. 9:

Jan. 10: *Basil the Great of Caesarea, Gregory of Nazianzus, and Gregory of Nyssa, Pastors and Confessors*  
Jan. 11: Ed Potter, Redazgi Habtezgi  
Jan. 12: Ernie Brown, Ron Bisping

CELEBRATING



### January contact person: Sue Kressin

David & Diana Betts, Erin Betts, Matt & Jen Caquelin, Marian Harmening, Ronald Hoelscher, Arnie Johnson & Eileen Vierow, Admasu Mekonen & Diribe Desissa, Ed & Marlene Potter, Jim Radtke & Sue Kressin, Jeff & Jodi Wussler

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Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for 125 Years

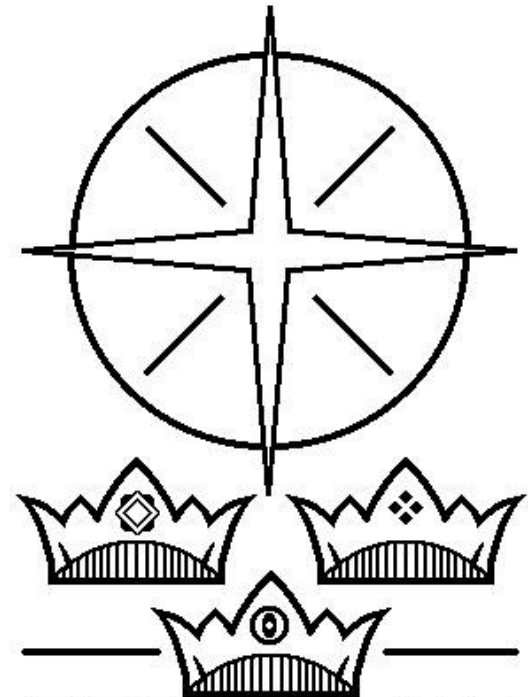
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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

January 6, 2019

Epiphany



EPIPHANY

## Welcome Visitors

Please sign the attendance register. If you desire a call from the pastor or are interested in membership, please note that on the attendance register.

## Our Mission Statement:

To proclaim the gospel through word and sacrament to our membership, our communities and our world.

## Our Vision:

Connecting people with Jesus Christ and each other through worship, learning and service.

## About Communion:

Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of the communion trays. It is distinctly lighter than the surrounding wine. Children who have not received instruction are invited to the rail to receive a blessing. Visitors are welcomed to the rail if you join us in confessing that the Lord gives not only bread and wine, but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of our sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to this table those who (1) trust his words, (2) repent of all sins and (3) set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He has forgiven and loves us.

## Prayers:

You are invited to fill out a prayer card located in the pew. Pastor will gather these cards before the prayers of the church. Please print your prayer requests.

## Sunday Services:

Traditional Worship 8:00 A.M

Education Hour 9:15 AM

Contemporary Worship 10:30 A.M.

Holy Communion at both services on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of each month.

Eritrean Service 12 Noon



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Amy Gundermann

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT:  
Wayne Warnest  
Admasu Mekonen

OFFICE HOURS:  
Monday to Friday 9 AM to 1 PM  
Bulletin Deadline: 11 AM Wed.

## Jan 6 Worship Assistants

**Preacher:** Rev. Andrew Thompson

**Acolytes:** (8:00) Jingyan & Zhenghong Schlechte (10:30) Ben & Tim Mohrland

**Caretaker:** (8:00) Dan Baker (10:30) Judy Brinkman

**Video Ministry:** Jeff Johnson

**Communion Assistants:** (8:00) Jane Sell, Leah & Russ Van Dassar

(10:30) Megan Huff, Dan Savard, Tricia Schmidt

**Elder:** (8:00) Matt Hanan (10:30) Redazgi Habtezgi

**Greeters:** (8:00) Corine Goodrich & Sheila Schlechte

(10:30) Judy Brinkman & Tarrie Culbert

**Lector:** (8:00) Jay Schlechte (10:30) Karen Mohrland

**Music:** (8:00) Organist: Bruce Anderson Cantor: John Schonebaum

(10:30) Worship Band

**Soundboard:** (8:00) Keith Rennerfeldt (10:30) Leonard Miller

**Ushers:** (8:00) Roger Binning, Bruce Karger, Reba & Walt Peterson

(10:30) Emmet Heck, Todd Mohrland, Jeremiah & Trent Willard



## Today's Altar flowers are given by:

Douglas and Jane Sell in honor of grandson, Benjamin's birthday today.

## Last Week's Contributions:

December 30 9:30 (120)

Current - \$6,946.25

Endowment - \$60.00

Sharing & Caring - \$300.00

Christmas - \$25.00

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Jonathan House - \$2,000

Total - \$9,431.25 **(\$7,000 needed weekly)**

## January 13 Worship Assistants

**Preacher:** Rev. Andrew Thompson

**Acolytes:** (8:00) Christopher & Owen Schonebaum (10:30) Joshua Langemo &

Lexi Miller

**Caretaker:** (8:00) John Schonebaum (10:30) Admasu Mekonen

**Video Ministry:** Jeff Johnson

**Communion Assistants:** (8:00) (10:30)

**Elder:** (8:00) Wayne Warnest (10:30) Redazgi Habtezgi

**Greeters:** (8:00) B.J. Brown & Candy Pagel (10:30) Janine, Marty, Zach Langemo

**Lector:** (8:00) Lois Thur (10:30) Janine Langemo

**Music:** (8:00) Organist: Stella O'Neil (10:30) Worship Band

**Soundboard:** (8:00) Scott Goodrich (10:30) Leonard Miller

**Ushers:** (8:00) Tesfaya Maskalo, Philip Pruess, John Schonebaum, Wayne Warnest

(10:30) Noah Miller, Erica Moore, Jeremiah & Trent Willard

**Merry Christmas to the “Metro Lutheran Seniors”.** FIF (Friends in Fellowship) is planning January events. We have ordered tickets for the theater presentation of The Church Ladies, “You Smell Barn” on January 14 at 1:00 PM. The tickets are \$20.00 and we will car pool from St. Stephanus. Please contact Arnie Johnson 651-707-3843 or Connie Petersen 651-487-2747 to reserve your ticket. We would love to have you join us for the fun! Our next social gathering will be at 12:30 PM Thursday, January 31, at St. Stephanus Lutheran. All friends are welcome to come play cards, dominoes, cribbage, or a game of your choice.

### **Jonathan House Ministry:**

Recovery from forced displacement requires a supportive community, life-giving faith and emotional well-being along with the ability to navigate and contribute to society. Jonathan House provides supportive housing to asylum-seeking refugees in the Twin Cities.

### **Prayer:**

Please pray for the volunteers and staff who are preparing the Blair house for residents, for the residents who will be coming to live at Jonathan House, and for the ministry of Jonathan House.

### **Information:**

To stay up to date on everything that is happening with this ministry you can:: check the website at <http://iafr.org>, like them on Facebook Jonathan House IAFR, or email with any question at [jonathanhouse@iafr.org](mailto:jonathanhouse@iafr.org)

### **Donate:**

Furniture is now being gathered to furnish the house for the Jonathon House residents. A list of furniture needs is posted on the Jonathan House bulletin board located in the Fireside Room. If you have new or gently used items to donate, please take a photograph and sent to [joshl@iafr.org](mailto:joshl@iafr.org) or contact Cherie Fleischhacker at 651-348-9051 or [ckflei@yahoo.com](mailto:ckflei@yahoo.com)

### **Bible Study: will meet in the Fireside room.**

**Today, we celebrate the day of Epiphany,** ending the 12 days of Christmas. The word Epiphany is derived from Greek, meaning 'manifestation' or 'appearance'. The Hymn of the Day today, "O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright" is one of Philipp Nicolai's most famous hymns, along with "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying". This hymn which is based on several texts including Revelations 22:16 "I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star", fits the season of Epiphany as we celebrate Jesus as the Light of the World, along with the star over Bethlehem, which was followed by the Magi as we find in today's readings. A setting of this tune by Johann Ludwig Krebs (1713-1780), a student of Johann Sebastian Bach, serves as our prelude today (8:00). The French carol, "La Marche Des Rois Mages", which translates to "March of the Three Kings", originated with peasants in southeastern France, who added the kings of the Christmas story and this ancient dance tune to a celebration of their own folk heroes. Composer Georges Bizet used the same tune in his music to Alphonse Daudet's play *L'Arlesienne*. Robert Thygerson's setting of this carol serves as our postlude today (8:00).

~From the organ bench~

**The Men's Club is asking for Volunteers** to help take down and put away the decorations in the sanctuary on Saturday, Jan. 12 at 10 A.M. Lunch will be provided.

### **2019 Men's Club Officers**

Dennis Nuechterlein—President

Vice President—Dave Sura

Secretary—Jeff Wussler

Treasure—Wayne Warnest

Member at Large—David Jahr

