

January 10, 2016

1st Sunday of Epiphany

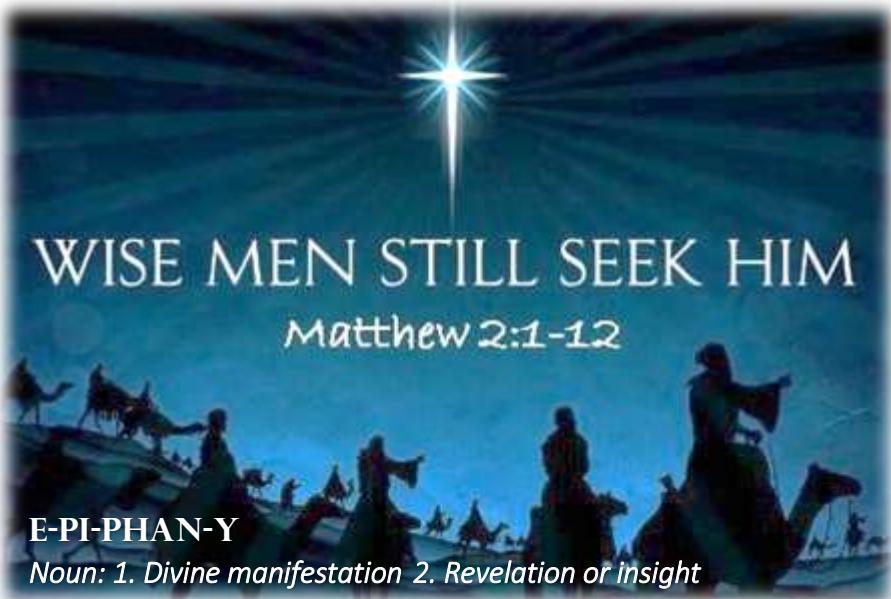


"WE PREACH CHRIST CRUCIFIED..."
~1 CORINTHIANS 1:23

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WISE MEN STILL SEEK HIM

Matthew 2:1-12

E-PI-PHAN-Y

Noun: 1. Divine manifestation 2. Revelation or insight

Series: Walking with the Word

9:00am Sunday School/Bible Class ♦ 10:00am Divine Service

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Pastor Neal Radichel ♦ Principal Dave Bernthal ♦ Teacher Jenn Ohlmann

Altar cloths are white; the color of purity signifies Christ's holy birth & redemptive work for us all!
Welcome to all! This week's focus:

**"The LORD is high above all nations,
His glory above the heavens."**

Psalm 113:4

Today's service liturgy (how God serves us) and hymns: **Red Hymnal p15**

718 ♦ 800:1-3 ♦ 133 ♦ 800:4

Pre-service Psalm 1 (Front of Red Hymnal pg.123) ~ Opening Bells / Prayer

Our worship service centers and glorifies our Savior, Jesus Christ. Please turn off your cell phones to avoid distraction.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

I. WE PREPARE TO MEET OUR LORD

THE INVOCATION

We invoke ("call upon") the name of our Triune God.

PASTOR: We begin our Savior's divine service today in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

CONGREGATION:



OPENING HYMN: #718 [Tan Supplement]

CONFESION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS

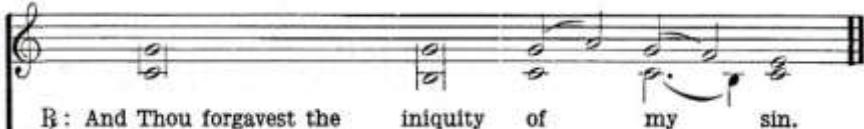
We come before God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

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

Our help is in the name of the Lord!



P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.



P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ALL: O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy on us and for His sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins: and by Your Holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of You and Your will, and true obedience to Your Word. Until the end, that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen!

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He calls them children of God and promises to them the Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized will be saved. Grant this Lord to us all!



THE INTROIT

A responsive Psalm or chorus thought to lead us into worship.

P: Behold, the Lord, the Ruler, has come:

C: And the kingdom, the power, and the glory are in His hand.

P: Give the King Your judgments, O God:

C: And Your righteousness to the King's Son.

P: Praise the Lord!

II. WE PRAISE OUR LORD

THE GLORIA PATRI

"Glory to the Father" (Red Hymnal, pg 16)

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be For - ev - er more. Amen.

THE KYRIE

"O Lord" (Red Hymnal pg 17)

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

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

"Glory to God in the highest" (Red Hymnal #136:4)

Saints, before the altar bending, Watching long in hope and fear,
Suddenly the Lord, descending, In His Temple shall appear:
Come and worship, Come and worship;
Worship Christ, the new-born King!

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

R: And with thy spir - it.

PASTOR: Let us pray: (Pastor says the prayer of the day)

III. OUR LORD SPEAKS TO US

1ST SCRIPTURE LESSON ~ PSALM 113 (RESPONSIVE READING)



P: Praise the LORD!

Praise, O servants of the LORD, Praise the name of the LORD!

C: **Blessed be the name of the LORD From this time forth and forevermore! From the rising of the sun to its going down The LORD's name is to be praised.**

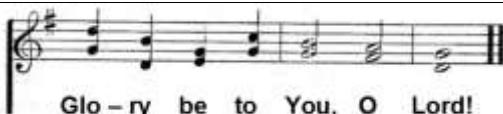
P: The LORD is high above all nations, His glory above the heavens.

C: **Who is like the LORD our God, Who dwells on high, Who humbles Himself to behold The things that are in the heavens and in the earth?**

P: He raises the poor out of the dust, And lifts the needy out of the ash heap, That He may seat him with princes -- With the princes of His people. He grants the barren woman a home, Like a joyful mother of children.

ALL: Praise the LORD!

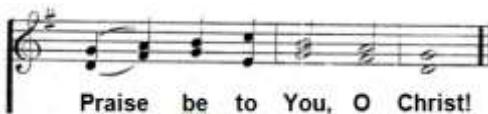
2ND SCRIPTURE LESSON ~ LUKE 2:39-52



39 When Joseph and Mary had done everything required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee to their own town of Nazareth. **40** And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him. **41** Every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the Feast of the Passover. **42** When he was twelve years old, they went up to the Feast, according to the custom.

43 After the Feast was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. **44** Thinking he was in their company, they traveled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. **45** When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him. **46** After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. **47** Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. **48** When his

parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you." **49** "Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" **50** But they did not understand what he was saying to them. **51** Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. **52** And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.



OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH ~ THE THIRD ARTICLE (SANCTIFICATION)

The Third Article is a statement of faith about the work of the God the Holy Spirit.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him. But the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified, and kept me in true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all sins to me and all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead and give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.

Congregational Favorite: #800:1-3 [Tan Supplement]

CHILDREN'S SERMON

But Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven.' " ~Matthew 19:14

AUDIO/VIDEO IN CRYROOM FOR PARENTS WITH CHILDREN WHO NEED A BRIEF REMINDER

SERMON MEDITATION read/watch sermons and services online at www.fdllutheran.org

Jesus said, "...Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!" ~Luke 11:28

Luke 2:39-52 (2nd Scripture Lesson on previous page)

Christmas – “To Be Continued...”

1. Continued in the Life of **Jesus Christ**
2. Continued in the Life of a **Christian**

THE OFFERTORY

We Offer God our hearts again, praying for His Spiritual blessings!

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free Spirit.

SERMON HYMN: #133 [Red Hymnal]

IV. WE OFFER OURSELVES TO OUR LORD

AN OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS TO THE LORD

"So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver." ~ 2 Corinthians 9:7

FOLLOWED BY THE OFFERING HYMN: [Red Hymnal # 127:3,4]

**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 heavenly King!**

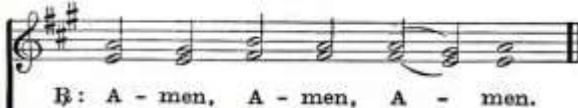
**Holy Jesus, every day, Keep us in the narrow way;
And when earthly things are past, Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds Thy glory hide.**

SPECIAL PRAYERS ~ GENERAL PRAYER ~ LORD'S PRAYER

V. OUR LORD BLESSES US

THE BENEDICTION - The blessing given by God for His people (Numbers 6:24-26).

P: 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: #800:4 [Tan Supplement]

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to all! Guests, please sign our guest book in entryway and we hope you will come and join us again! Questions? (920) 922-7421

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE: "If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15

*Online calendar at FDLlutheran.com / or go to facebook.com/FDL.lutheran
Council, Ladies, & other minutes are online under "Our Church" / Documents

Jan 10 Sun Usher Team #3: Don E, Reuel D, Dave M, Andrew T, Eric W

Organist: Mrs. Fillmore / Counter: Rodney K

9a Sunday School / Bible Class on Paul's Letter to the Galatians

10a Divine Service / **11:15a** Public School Catechism

DEDECORATING TODAY!! Please stay to help as you are able! Thanks!!

Jan 12 **Tue** **6:15p** Ladies Meeting **6:45p** Church Council/Missions
Jan 13 **Wed** Woodlands Worship **9a** (1446 #1), **10a** (87 #3), **11a** (77 #2)
Jan 14 **Thu** **7p Start:** Dave Ramsey Financial Peace (copy room)
 *sign up online at daveramsey.com under: "classes," "find a class"
Jan 17 **Sun** Usher Team #4: Wayne W, Dave B, Bob C, Ron H, Alan K, Larry S
Organist: Mrs. Eserhut / Counter: Rodney K
9a Sunday School / Bible Class on Paul's Letter to the Galatians
10a Divine Service
11:15a Public School Catechism

UPCOMING DATES: →

Jan 24 **Sun** **1p** Annual Voters Meeting

GET LMNEWS TEXTED TO YOUR PHONE = Just Text " LMNEWS " to 84483
"That's Not My Job"

Have you heard the story of 4 people named...**Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, & Nobody?** There was an important job to be done and **Everybody** was sure that **Somebody** would do it. **Anybody** could have done it, but **Nobody** did it. **Somebody** got angry about it, because it was **Everybody's** job. **Everybody** thought that **Anybody** could do it, but Nobody realized that **Everybody** wouldn't do it. It ended up that, **Everybody** blamed **Somebody** when **Nobody** did what **Anybody** could have! Are you **Everybody**? Or are you **Somebody**?

Would you rather be known as **Anybody**? I'm sure that you don't want to be **Nobody**?

Philippians 2:3 "Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself."

CHURCH CLEANERS ARE NEEDED for 2016! Sign up on bulletin board to volunteer for ONE WEEK time slots. Please sign up for as often as you are able. Thank you for serving!

SERVING THE LORD Letters were sent out as reminders that our Church Council is seeking eligible and willing men of the congregation to be nominated for the Church Council or serve on other committees in the New Year. May the LORD give you the same willing heart as Samuel: "Speak LORD, for Your servant hears!" Please talk to President Mike Sippert for more information and return the letter as soon as possible. Thank you!

CLC CALL NEWS - The Rev. Walter Schaller, pastor of Mount Zion Lutheran, Madison Heights [Detroit area] MI, has announced his intent to retire from the public ministry but plans to serve the congregation until the Spirit provides a new shepherd. The congregation has called the Rev. Mark Weis, pastor of Church of the Lutheran Confession, North Port FL. <> Pastor Weis has returned the call. <> The Rev. Wayne Eichstadt, co-pastor at Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato, MN, has the Call to serve at Gethsemane Lutheran, Spokane Valley, WA.

THANK YOU FROM THE LM CALLED WORKERS - Miss Ohlmann, the Bernthals, and the Radichels would all like to express their deep thankfulness and appreciation for all the Christmas cards and gifts that were given this year! This encouragement is a tremendous blessing as we continue to work together to support our church and school in the work of our Savior's Kingdom! The Lord continue to richly bless you and keep you all in His care!!!

We always thank God as we remember you in our prayers, for your love has given us great joy and encouragement, because you, have refreshed our hearts of the saints. (Philemon 1:1,7)

THANK YOU Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, As we join you in celebrating the Epiphany of our Savior Jesus Christ, your brethren at ILC are also appreciative and grateful for your gifts to us recently delivered at Christmas time. Our praise to God for the gift of His Son includes our thanks to Him for your support of our work here. We thank you for your kind remembrance and wish you all the Lord's continued blessing in the New Year.

On behalf of ILC and in Him who is our Immanuel, Prof. Steven Sippert, president
THANK YOU Our sister in Christ, Ruth Woller, wanted to extend her deep appreciation and thankfulness for the cards, messages, and cookies over the Christmas season!
NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION #2 – I pray Christ would strengthen my life in unceasing prayer.
As a child of God I desire to speak to my heavenly Father daily, committing to Him all my needs and thanking Him for all the blessings he gives me for Jesus' sake.

FRUITS OF FAITH – PAST WEEK / FOR THE YEAR Bible Class 28 Worship 98

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH

Budgetary (\$3365 budgeted per week)

\$2723 LM General Budget

Non-Budgetary

\$ LM School

\$ LM Student Aid Fund

\$45 LM Debt Retirement

\$37 LM Maintenance & Improvements

\$14 LM Local Missions/Outreach

\$45 LM Other: Future Fellowship Fund

CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION

Budgetary (\$606 budgeted per week)

\$323 CLC General Budget

Non-Budgetary

\$ ILC Student Aid Fund

\$ ILC Building Fund

\$ ILC Improvement Fund

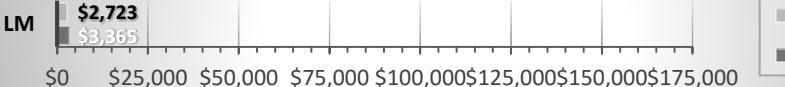
\$10 Mission Development-(MDF)

\$0/0 Project Kinship/Orphanage

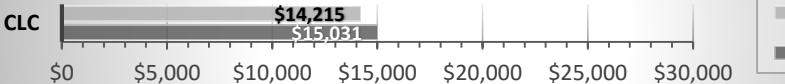
\$45 CLC Other: Foreign

Memorial gift (Designated): (\$10 A/C)

LM Budgetary \$175,000 (YTD Jan-Dec 1/52 wks)

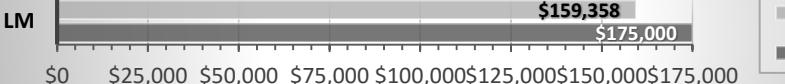


CLC Budgetary \$31,500 (YTD July-June 26/52 wks)



End of 2015

LM Budgetary \$175,000 (YTD Jan-Dec 52/52 wks)



Year-end Memorial gifts (Designated): Arthur & Emilie Wischnefski (\$50 – General Fund), Dorene Cappozzo (\$10 – General Missions Fund)

IN OUR PRAYERS If you are hospitalized, please let pastor know if you would like a visit!

In the Hospital or on Hospice:

Shut-ins: Pearl Becker (N6329 Colonial Dr), Evelyn Chase (Lutheran Home), Jim Fillmore (363 Taft St), Eileen Gantner (Woodlands), Ed Jacobs (868 W Scott St), Gloria Jacobs (Woodlands), Doris Kaiser (Lutheran Home), Jeanette Keipe (675 S. Main St.), John Lenburg (769 Mustang Ln), Marion Mach (Lutheran Home), Verdelle Manowske (Lakeshore, Oshkosh), Dorothy Schmolesky (101 Western Ave #311-A), Jim Steffen (N8652 Linden Beach Rd), Leah Wirkus (St. Peter's Place), Ruth Woller (Terrace Place, Seboygan)

Witnessing idea for the week:

Lord, grant to Your servants that with all boldness we may speak Your word. (Acts 4:29)

Business Cards

Pastor is always interested in talking to any of your friends, family, or coworkers. Please take a few of his business cards (near the guest book) to share with others!