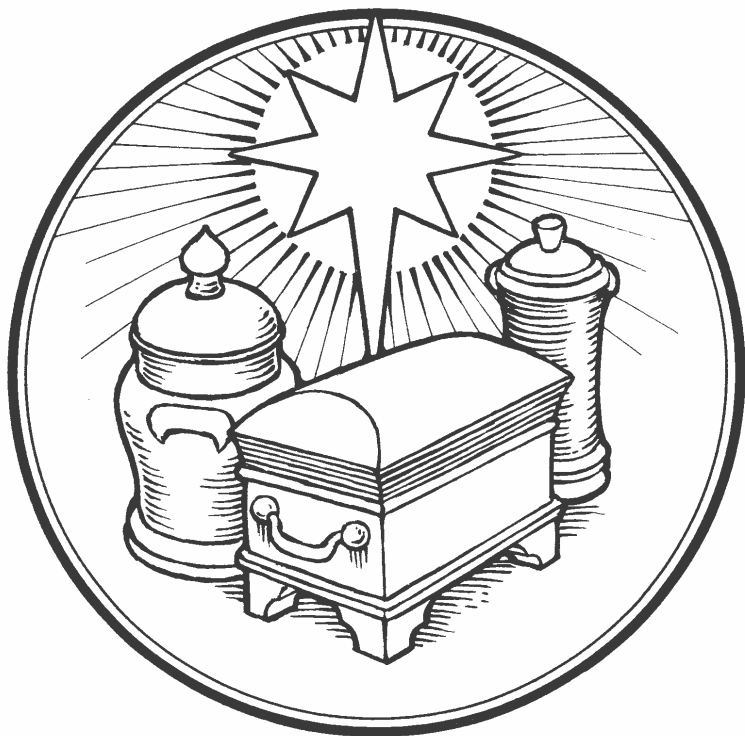


# The Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord



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## † The Divine Service †

### **Entrance Psalm: *Surge, Illuminare***

*(taken from Isaiah 60)*

Arise, shine, for your | light has come,\*

And the glory of the LORD has dawned up- | on you.

For behold, darkness cov- | ers the land;\*

**Deep gloom enshrouds the | peoples.**

But over you the | LORD will rise,\*

**And his glory will appear up- | on you.**

Nations will stream | to your light.\*

**And kings to the brightness of your | dawning.**

Your gates will always be | open;\*

**By day or night they will ne- | ver be shut.**

They will call you, the city | of the LORD,\*

**The Zion of the Holy one of | Israel.**

Violence will no more be heard | in your land;\*

**Ruin or destruction within your | borders.**

You will call your walls, sal- | vation,\*

**And all your | portals, ‘praise’.**

The sun will no more be your | light by day;\*

**By night you will not need the brightness | of the moon**

The LORD will be your ever- | lasting light,\*

**And your God will be your | Glory.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit**

**As it was in the be- | ginning\***

**Is now and will be forever. | Amen.**

Arise, shine, for your | light has come,\*

And the glory of the LORD has dawned up- | on you.

### **Kyrie & Gloria in Excelsis**

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### **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

O God, by the leading of a star You made known Your only-begotten Son to the Gentiles. Lead us, who know You by faith, to enjoy in heaven the fullness of Your divine presence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### **Old Testament**

*Isaiah 60:1–6*

**Gradual**

*Isaiah 60:6b, 1*

**Those from She- | ba shall come.\***

**They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall bring good news,  
the praises | of the LORD.**

**Arise, shine, for your | light has come,\***

**and the glory of the LORD has risen up- | on you.**

**Epistle**

*Ephesians 3:1–12*

**Alleluia and Verse**

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**Holy Gospel**

*Matthew 2:1–12*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter.

C: [sung] **Glory to You, O Lord.**

*[after the reading]*

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: [sung] **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Hymn of the Day: *O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright***

**LSB 395**

**Sermon:** *Christ Epiphany Makes that which is small by no means small anymore.* (Matthew 2:4-6)

**The Announcement of the New Church Year & Nicene Creed**

**Prayer of the Church**

**Hymn: *From God the Father, Virgin-Born***

**LSB 401**

**Offertory**

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† **The Service of Holy Communion** †

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NOTE: Our celebration of the Lord's Supper is reserved for members in good standing of congregations affiliated with the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Guests from sister LCMS congregations who agree with our faith and practice of it should announce your desire to commune to one of our pastors before joining us at the Lord's Table.

**Distribution Hymns *As with Gladness Men of Old***

**LSB 397**

**Canticle: *Nunc Dimittis***

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**Collect & Benediction**

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**Preacher:** Pr. Steven C. Briel  
**Liturgist:** Pr. Matthew V. Moss  
**Kantor:** Dr. Crystal Rossow

**Prelude:** Partita on “How Lovely Shines the Morning Star” (Jan Bender)  
**Postlude:** The Only Son from Heaven (Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck)

The Baptism of Our Lord: **January 10**  
The Transfiguration of Our Lord: **January 24**  
Ash Wednesday: **February 17**  
Palm Sunday: **March 28**  
The Resurrection of Our Lord: **April 4**  
The Ascension of Our Lord: **May 13**  
Pentecost: **May 23**  
The First Sunday in Advent: **November 28**

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