



THE SEASON OF EPIPHANY

9:30 am Worship Services

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, HANOVER, PA

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Announcements

† Confession and Forgiveness

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your gracious Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the †Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Psalm: (read responsively)

* Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

* Song

Insert

* Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray.

Response to the prayer: **C: Amen.**

First Reading:

L: A reading from ...

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading:

L: A reading from ...

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

* Gospel:

P: The holy gospel according to ...

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel concludes:

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

* Song

Insert

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

* **Prayers of the People**

Each petition ends with these words:

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Response at the conclusion of the prayers: C: Amen.

The Peace

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

Offering Anthem

(Use this time to reflect on your financial and spiritual offerings to God.)

* **Offertory Prayer**

L: Let us pray.

Merciful Father,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us, ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* **Communion Prayer**

P: In the night in which he was betrayed ...

* **The Lord's Prayer**

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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

*** Invitation to Communion**

All baptized believers are welcome to commune. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are also available.

Continuous Communion Distribution

Usher will release one row at a time. Take a wine cup, refrain from touching other cups. Receive the bread from the Pastor, holding out your open hand, palm up, fingers straight out. The Assistant Minister will pour wine into your cup. Place disposable communion cup in the waste container.

*** Blessing**

Response after the blessing: C: Amen.

*** Prayer after Communion**

L: Let us pray. Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

*** Benediction**

Response: C: Amen.

*** Dismissal**

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: We are called through Christ to praise God and love generously. Thanks be to God.

* Stand if you are able

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