

PRAYERS FOR:

Persecuted Christians around the world
The Unborn – Pray for an end to Abortion
The Family of Becky Wilburn and the Passing of her Father

PRAYER FOR HEALING:

Bonnie Broviak- Recovery	Joy Steingass –failing health
Shiela Tiemens – Home	Nancy Lawrence- cancer
Jim Miller- Cancer	Jim McGown – Tumor
Tyler Oswald- Concerns	William Devries -Health issues
Jim Brown- Cancer	Marilyn Skinner- Recovery
Buzz Berdine- Recovery	Margaret Felde- Health Concerns
Bill Davis- Concerns	Penny Robinson- Heart issues
Jeff Patterson- Cancer	Cathy Clayton- Kidney issues

FOR THOSE WITH CHILD:

THOSE CELEBRATING BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Mason Mobray 1/9 Kylie Kuder 1/15

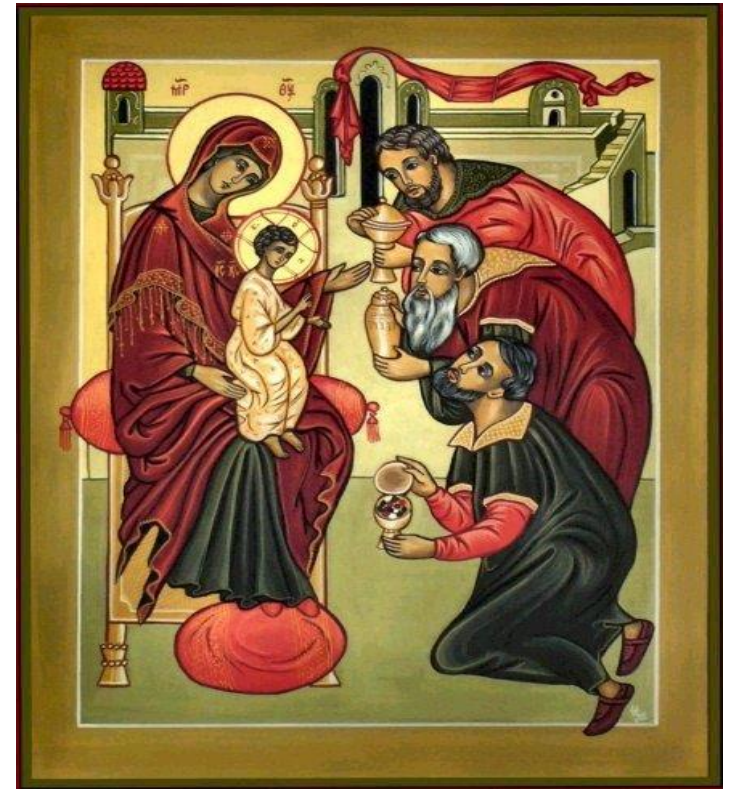
THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Bob Schueb1/11 Ryan Griechen 1/11 Lisa Kuder 1/12
Kenzie Morrow 1/15 Roger Hare 1/15

THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

THOSE ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED

Rachel Wilburn & Alex Rodriguez
Brittney Osby & Jared Rambo



*Going into the house they saw the Child with
Mary His mother, and they fell down and
worshipped Him.*

The Epiphany of Our Lord

January 9th, Year of our Lord 2022

The Reverend William Foy, Pastor

*"The love of husband and wife is the force that welds society
together." - St. John Chrysostom, Homily 20 on Eph. 5*

Order of Worship – Divine Service - Setting 3

Preludes -

Time for silent prayer and preparation for confession

Please rise and face the procession turning to the altar when the pastor has passed by.

Procession Hymn- O Savior of our fallen race 403

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Please Rise

Service of the Word

Introit (*Congregation chants the bold stanzas*)

Ps. 72:1–2, 10–11



Behold the Lord, the Rul- | er, has come,*
and the kingdom and the power and the glory are | in His
hand.

P Give the King Your justice, | O God,*
and Your righteousness to the | Royal Son!

C **May He judge Your people with | righteousness,***
and Your poor with | justice!

May the kings of Tarshish and of the coastlands
render Him | tribute;*
may the kings of Sheba and Seba | bring gifts!

P May all kings fall down be- | fore Him,*
all nations | serve Him!

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.

P Behold the Lord, the Rul- | er, has come,*
and the kingdom and the power and the glory are |
in His hand.

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Collect of the Day – *Prayed by the Pastor*

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.

Please be seated.

The Old Testament:

Isaiah 60:1–6

Arise, shine, for your Light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
For behold, darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the Lord will arise upon you,
and His glory will be seen upon you.
And nations shall come to your Light,
and kings to the brightness of Your rising.
Lift up your eyes all around, and see;
they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from afar,
and your daughters shall be carried on the hip.
Then you shall see and be radiant;
your heart shall thrill and exult,
because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
A multitude of camels shall cover you,

the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.
They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall bring Good News, the praises of the Lord.

Gradual - *Chanted by the Cantor*

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.

The Epistle:

Ephesians 3:1–12

For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles— assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God’s grace that was given to me for you, how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly. When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ, which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to His holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit. This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel.

Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God’s grace, which was given me by the working of His power. To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things, so that through the Church the manifold Wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was according to the eternal

purpose that He has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in Him.

Please rise and face the procession as the Word of God enters into your midst.

Alleluia



The Holy Gospel:

Matthew 2:1–12

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, saying, “Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we saw His star when it rose and have come to worship Him.” When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: “‘And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a Ruler who will Shepherd My people Israel.’”

Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the Child, and when you have found Him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship Him.” After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the Child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. And going into the house they saw the Child with Mary His mother, and they fell down

and worshiped Him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered Him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

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Visitors & Guests: *We subscribe to the Historic Practice of the Christian Church of “Closed Communion.” If you are a member of an LC-MS congregation, you may come forward and receive the Sacrament. If you are not, please speak with Pastor Foy before approaching the Altar. Thank you.*

Communicants are invited to pray the following prayers:

Before receiving the Sacrament

O Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof; but speak only Your Word, and my soul will be healed. I will take up the cup of Salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord. (Matt.8:8; Ps.116:13)

After receiving the Sacrament

I live, and yet not I, but Christ lives in me. (Gal.2:20)

What we have received with our mouths, O Lord, let us keep with faithful hearts, that this Gift given us in earthly time may bring us to eternal salvation. Amen.

Abide with us, O Lord, that we may abide in You until the end; let not sin and need separate us from You, until we, through the strength of Your Holy Sacrament, enter into heaven and eternal blessing. Amen.

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ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Given to the Glory of God in Thanksgiving for His many Blessings and for His mercy.

Potluck Today: Please join us for our monthly Potluck Today following our Worship Service. Please bring a dish to share tableware and beverages will be provided.

Chili Cook off February 6th: Mark your calendars for our Annual Chili Cookoff Sunday February 6th following our Worship Service. Please bring a crockpot of your favorite chili. Chicken Noodle soup, corn muffins, dessert and beverages will be provided. Please sign up if you plan to attend, bring chili or are able to bring an item needed for lunch. Hope to see you there. Sign-up sheets are located on the white board in the foyer.

No more food handling products, please: On Monday Stephanie and I sorted out the kitchen cabinets and the closet in the parish Hall. All of

the paper and Styrofoam and Tupperware type products have been sorted out and neatly organized in the kitchen. We have more than enough to last us a long time. Please do not bring anymore paper or Styrofoam products or food storage products to the church. If you have them to donate, please take them directly to a food pantry or soup kitchen. I will let you know when we need more. Thank you very much.
Pastor

Bible Study-Revelation: We are studying the Word of God, after the Divine Service, in the Parish Hall. The Book of Revelation. We will begin at 10:45 and go to 11:30 each Sunday morning. Thank you. Pastor Foy

FREE Fresh Brown eggs – Feel free to take 1 dozen, for you only please. And if you can, please make a donation into the LWML mite box located by the water fountain in the Narthex.

The SMS Guild has a selection of Christmas Cards available for sale. The Greeting card table is located in a room off the Narthex.

Immanuel food pantry is in need of spaghetti sauce, diced tomatoes, pork and beans, other beans. fruit, cereal, jelly, tuna, chicken, and canned pasta. Please place your donations in the baskets located in the closet off the Narthex.

PRAYER FOR SHUT-INS: Tylor Smith; Vicky Lopez, Kathy Hegenow, Joy & Bob Steingass.

PRAYER FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY: Craig McCall, Juan Esqueda; Alex Sibert, Erich Sibert; Seneca Newkirk

For the coming Week

Organist: Jennifer Symer **Elder:** Jeff Skinner

Altar Guild Servers: Joann, Pam, Shirley, Penny

Bible Study: Tuesday 2pm

Bethesda Service: Wednesday 4pm

Service: Monday- Thursday 11am

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Chrismon Corner **The Epiphany of Our Lord**



Gospel Text – Matthew 2:1–12

Epiphany Star - The Magi's journey to the Christ is not unlike your journey in Christ. Sickness, death, job loss, family difficulties, various personal hardships, crosses, and trials seem to the world to be evidences that God is not with us. Quite the contrary, these prove that God must be with us. For if He were as distant as the devil and the world would have us believe, we would certainly perish. But His promise leads us. He has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you."

The Star leads the Magi directly to Christ. It leads them to Life Himself, to the Savior and Righteousness of God that they were seeking. That star is the Holy Spirit who proceeds from the Father and the Son so that He might lead us by faith in the Son and enkindle in us a holy and certain hope.

What's encouraging for us is that the Magi represent all of us Gentiles. They have received nothing more extraordinary or spectacular than we have received. In fact, we have more. For when the Father by the Spirit leads them to Christ Jesus, all they can do is present gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Fine gifts indeed, but not worthy to be compared with the gift we receive when the Father by the same Spirit led us to Christ Jesus. For in our Holy Baptism, the riches of heaven were bestowed upon us in the forgiveness of sins. In the Holy Supper we have the divine Savior given to us under bread and wine. The epiphany is being re-enacted once again. Only now we are in the place of the Magi. And instead of leaving gifts before the infant Jesus, we receive from Him the gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation. For in His Holy Body and precious Blood is the forgiveness of sins, and where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

Epiphany is the story of how the Father, by the Spirit, leads you to Christ Jesus in the Holy Sacrament so that, during the Sacrament of the Altar, you might come, kneel down, adore, and receive Him, Christ the Lord.