

January 6, 2019

Epiphany of Our Lord



We gather today to celebrate God's good news for us -- the news we understand and experience best through Jesus. May the Spirit of the living Christ bless us all as we worship together!

If you are visiting us today, please fill out the blue card that you'll find in the rack in front of you, next to the song books. Place completed blue cards in the offering or give it to one of our ushers.

Ask an usher if you need

- earphones for hearing assistance
- special children's activity bag
- assistance finding our washrooms

We celebrate Holy Communion at many of our worship services, believing that Jesus Christ is truly present in the meal. All are invited to gather around the Lord's table. Gluten free bread and grape juice are available. Please indicate your preference to the server.

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WELCOME

Redeemed by Jesus Christ, motivated by the Holy Spirit, moved by God's grace as revealed in the Bible, we will invite all into faith in Jesus Christ, revitalize our grace-filled Lutheran tradition for today's culture, and make God the center of our personal and our communal life.

WEEKLY SERVICES & MEETINGS

SUNDAY SERVICE // 10:00AM

MONDAY

THURSDAY

TUESDAY

Al Anon // 7:30PM

WEDNESDAY

FRIDAY

Tai Chi // 9:30AM

AA // 8:00PM

Weight Watchers // 6:15PM

SATURDAY

AA // 1:30PM

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SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 3:1-12

3 When I think of all this, I, Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus for the benefit of you Gentiles . . . ² assuming, by the way, that you know God gave me the special responsibility of extending his grace to you Gentiles. ³ As I briefly wrote earlier, God himself revealed his mysterious plan to me. ⁴ As you read what I have written, you will understand my insight into this plan regarding Christ. ⁵ God did not reveal it to previous generations, but now by his Spirit he has revealed it to his holy apostles and prophets.

⁶ And this is God's plan: Both Gentiles and Jews who believe the Good News share equally in the riches inherited by God's children. Both are part of the same body, and both enjoy the promise of blessings because they belong to Christ Jesus. ⁷ By God's grace and mighty power, I have been given the privilege of serving him by spreading this Good News.

⁸ Though I am the least deserving of all God's people, he graciously gave me the privilege of telling the Gentiles about the endless treasures available to them in Christ. ⁹ I was chosen to explain to everyone this mysterious plan that God, the Creator of all things, had kept secret from the beginning.

¹⁰ God's purpose in all this was to use the church to display his wisdom in its rich variety to all the unseen rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. ¹¹ This was his eternal plan, which he carried out through Christ Jesus our Lord.

¹² Because of Christ and our faith in him, we can now come boldly and confidently into God's presence.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 2:1-12

2 Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the reign of King Herod. About that time some wise men from eastern lands arrived in Jerusalem, asking, ² "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star as it rose, and we have come to worship him."

³ King Herod was deeply disturbed when he heard this, as was everyone in Jerusalem. ⁴ He called a meeting of the leading priests and teachers of religious law and asked, "Where is the Messiah supposed to be born?"

⁵ "In Bethlehem in Judea," they said, "for this is what the prophet wrote:

⁶ "And you, O Bethlehem in the land of Judah, are not least among the ruling cities of Judah, for a ruler will come from you who will be the shepherd for my people Israel."

⁷ Then Herod called for a private meeting with the wise men, and he learned from them the time when the star first appeared. ⁸ Then he told them, "Go to Bethlehem and search carefully for the child. ⁸ Then he told them, "Go to Bethlehem and search carefully for the child. And when you find him, come back and tell me so that I can go and worship him, too!"

⁹ After this interview the wise men went their way. And the star they had seen in the east guided them to Bethlehem. It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw the star, they were filled with joy! ¹¹ They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

¹² When it was time to leave, they returned to their own country by another route, for God had warned them in a dream not to return to Herod.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, Jan 6
9:00am Lectionary
Study

Tuesday, Jan 8
5:30pm Leadership
Team meeting

Thursday, Jan 10
12:00pm Senior Lunch
7:00pm Stephen Minis-
try Peer Supervision

Sunday, Jan 13
9:00am Lectionary
Study
11:15am Congregational
Call Meeting
6:30pm Confirm Not
Conform confirmation
@ Augustana



WELCOMING KIDS
OF ALL AGES TO
WORSHIP!

☺ LOOK FOR CHILDREN'S WORSHIP SPACE, BAGS AND ACTIVITY SHEETS AT THE TOP OF THE STAIRS.

☺ READER & PRE-READER WORSHIP BULLETINS ARE LOCATED ON THE CABINET AT THE TOP OF THE STAIRS.

☺ THERE IS ALSO A FAMILY ROOM WITH SPEAKERS AND WINDOWS TO USE AS NEEDED.

Please keep the following members and friends of Redeemer Lutheran in your prayers this week:

For healing and on-going health concerns:

Twyla Bergstrom, Megan Gudmundson, Myrna Kydd, Jim Peever, Dick Trefiak

For bereavement:

Andrew Johnson, Gretchen Peterson & family.



January Lunch **Older but Wiser**
Thursday, **Lutherans**
Jan 10 - 12 noon

All seniors are welcome to join us as Amanda will come and speak to our group about The Children's Discovery Museum and their new, world-class facility in the old Mendel Art Gallery. January 10 at noon, \$10, bring a friend. If you need a ride let us know. RSVP to Becky at the church office by Tuesday, Jan. 8. www.museumforkids.sk.ca



Sunday Jan 13, 2019
at 11:15 am -

Congregational Call
Meeting. Bishop Sid

will bring the message that
day.



You are invited to an
"I LOVE PASTA"

Community Lunch
following Worship on

Sunday, January 20th!

**Come and enjoy the warmth of
community and a warm pasta
lunch provided for you ☺**