



## **The Epiphany of Our Lord (Observed)**

*January 7, 2024*

*8:00 am & 10:30 am*

# PACIFIC HILLS LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**WELCOME** — We would like to extend a cordial welcome in our Lord's name to all who worship with us at Pacific Hills. We greet our guests with the love and peace of Jesus --- and pray that our sharing of God's Word will enrich your faith and life in Christ.

**PARISH INFORMATION** — Anyone who would like more information about Pacific Hills may speak to an usher, visit with a greeter in the welcome area or call the church office. You may also read about our ministries by going to our church's website. While there you can also read our weekly newsletter, "The Pacific Hills Messenger". To subscribe to our newsletter send your e-mail to: [KimKielty@PacificHillsLutheran.org](mailto:KimKielty@PacificHillsLutheran.org)

**NURSERY** — Children are always welcome in worship! If a parent or guardian needs to step out with a child, a nursery is available in Room 112.

**HEARING ASSIST UNITS** — Hearing assist units are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

**PHONES** — We thank you for silencing your mobile device or turning it off during worship.

**WORSHIP CARDS** — We kindly ask our guests and members to please complete a Worship Card located in the hymnal rack. The cards will be received by the ushers during the worship service. You may request a prayer or lift up a name by writing in on the back of the card. First names will be read during the parish prayers.

## **WELCOME TO THE TABLE OF OUR LORD**

We invite those who share with us in the fellowship of faith to come to the Lord's altar and receive, in the Holy Communion, the very body and blood of Jesus. Our Lord Jesus has given us His Holy Supper so that we might receive into our very lives His body and blood, under the elements of bread and wine, for the remission of our sins and thereby know in a physical, tangible way that we are forgiven and have eternal life through faith in Him.

Each who comes to the Table of our Lord should:

- ◆ Be a Baptized Child of God;
- ◆ Have received scriptural instruction in Christ's means of meeting us in this Sacrament;
- ◆ Examine themselves by confessing their sins to God;
  - a. 1 Corinthians 11:26-29
  - b. Lutheran Service Book, p. 329
- ◆ Believe in Jesus as Savior and Lord from sin and death and who delivers us from the power of the devil;
- ◆ Desire the Holy Spirit's power to turn away from sin and live a Christ-like life;
- ◆ Recognize the Real Presence of Christ's body and blood (under the elements of bread and wine) for the forgiveness of sins.

If you are uncertain or have questions concerning your participation, please ask to speak with an elder, our pastor or an usher. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Alcohol-removed wine is in the center of the tray. Children and adults desiring to receive a blessing should cross their arms while at the communion rail.

# WELCOME IN THE NAME OF JESUS

## The Epiphany of Our Lord (Observed)

*Divine Service*

*Setting One*

### Prelude

### Welcome and Opening Prayer

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

### Invocation

*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

### Exhortation

*1 John 1:8-9*

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

### Confession of Sins

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

### Absolution

*[John 20:19-23]*

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

Please remain standing as you are able.

## Processional Hymn

394 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,  
2 Man - i - fest at Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;  
3 Man - i - fest in mak-ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;  
4 Sun and moon shall dark-ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;  
5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest-ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,  
And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest;  
Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell-ing all the dev - il's might;  
Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo - rious sign;  
Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:  
Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill;  
All will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap - pear;  
That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny

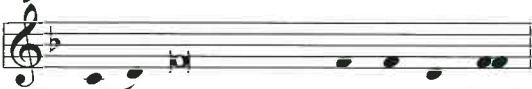


An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
Thou by all wilt be con - fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

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## Kyrie

Mark 10:47



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



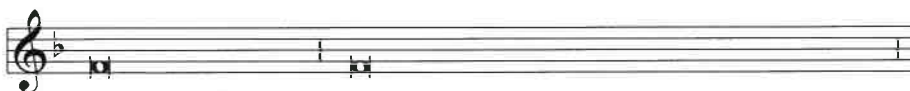
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

# This Is the Feast

Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9



**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
5 For the Lamb ——— who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

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.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## First Reading

*Isaiah 60:1-6*

- <sup>1</sup>Arise, shine, for your light has come,  
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.
- <sup>2</sup>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.
- <sup>3</sup>And nations shall come to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your rising.
- <sup>4</sup>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.
- <sup>5</sup>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.
- <sup>6</sup>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.

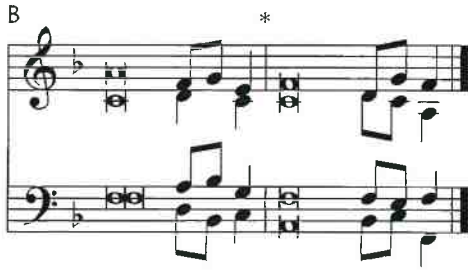
**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Worship Cards are collected at this time.*

# Psalm

*Psalm 72:1-15*



<sup>1</sup>Give the king your justice, | O God,\*  
and your righteousness to the | royal son!

<sup>2</sup>**May he judge your people with | righteousness,\*  
and your poor with | justice!**

<sup>3</sup>Let the mountains bear prosperity for the | people,\*  
and the hills, in | righteousness!

<sup>4</sup>**May he defend the cause of the poor of the people,  
give deliverance to the children of the | needy,\*  
and crush the op- | pressor!**

<sup>5</sup>May they fear you while the | sun endures,\*  
and as long as the moon, throughout all gener- | ations!

<sup>6</sup>**May he be like rain that falls on the | mown grass,\*  
like showers that wa- | ter the earth!**

<sup>7</sup>In his days may the righteous | flourish,\*  
and peace abound, till the moon | be no more!

<sup>8</sup>**May he have dominion from | sea to sea,\*  
and from the River to the ends | of the earth!**

<sup>9</sup>May desert tribes bow down be- | fore him\*  
and his enemies | lick the dust!

<sup>10</sup>**May the kings of Tarshish and of the coastlands render him | tribute;\*  
may the kings of Sheba and Seba | bring gifts!**

<sup>11</sup>May all kings fall down be- | fore him,\*  
all nations | serve him!

<sup>12</sup>**For he delivers the needy | when he calls,\*  
the poor and him who has no | helper.**

<sup>13</sup>He has pity on the weak and the | needy,\*  
and saves the lives of the | needy.



**<sup>14</sup>From oppression and violence he re- | deems their life,\*  
and precious is their blood | in his sight.**

<sup>15</sup>Long may he live; may gold of Sheba be giv- | en to him!\*  
May prayer be made for him continually, and blessings invoked for him | all the day!

*Stand*

**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.**

*Sit*

## **Second Reading**

*Ephesians 3:1–12*

<sup>1</sup>For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles— <sup>2</sup>assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God’s grace that was given to me for you, <sup>3</sup>how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly. <sup>4</sup>When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ, <sup>5</sup>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. <sup>6</sup>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.

<sup>7</sup>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. <sup>8</sup>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, <sup>9</sup>and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things, <sup>10</sup>so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. <sup>11</sup>This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, <sup>12</sup>in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

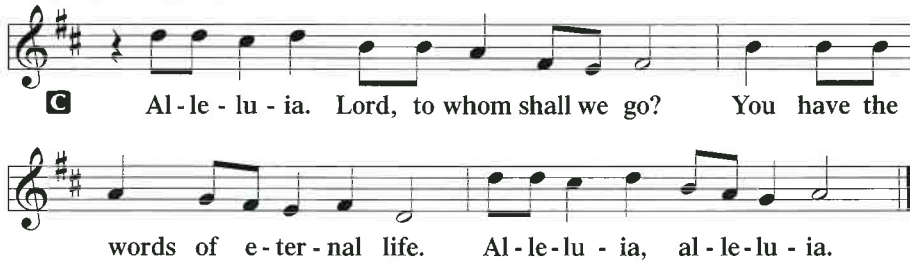
**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## **Gospel Processional**

## Alleluia and Verse

John 6:68

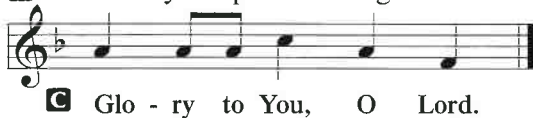


**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

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



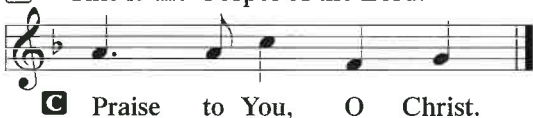
**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>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, <sup>2</sup>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.” <sup>3</sup>When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; <sup>4</sup>and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. <sup>5</sup>They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

<sup>6</sup>“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.”

<sup>7</sup>Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup>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.” <sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. <sup>11</sup>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. <sup>12</sup>And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Gospel Recessional

*Sit*

### Hanging of the Chrismons - Bethlehem Star

#### Hymn of the Day

*397 As with Gladness Men of Old*



1 As with glad-ness men of old Did the guid-ing star be-hold;  
2 As with joy-ful steps they sped, Sav-ior, to Thy low-ly bed,  
3 As they of-fered gifts most rare At Thy cra-dle, rude and bare,  
4 Ho-ly Je-sus, ev-'ry day Keep us in the nar-row way;  
5 In the heav'n-ly coun-try bright Need they no cre-at-ed light;



As with joy they hailed its light, Lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright;  
There to bend the knee be-fore Thee, whom heav'n and earth a-dore;  
So may we with ho-ly joy, Pure and free from sin's al-loy,  
And when earth-ly things are past, Bring our ran-somed souls at last  
Thou its light, its joy, its crown, Thou its sun which goes not down;



So, most gra-cious Lord, may we Ev-er-more be led by Thee.  
So may we with will-ing feet Ev-er seek Thy mer-cy seat.  
All our cost-liest trea-sures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heav'n-ly King.  
Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glo-ry hide.  
There for-ev-er may we sing Al-le-lu-ias to our King.

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#### Sermon

### Bethlehem Star *Wise Men Still Seek Him* Matthew 2:1-12

*Stand*

#### Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the Church - Prayer lists are available in the narthex.

*Sit*

Offering

*The Only Son from Heaven*  
by Elisabeth Cruciger

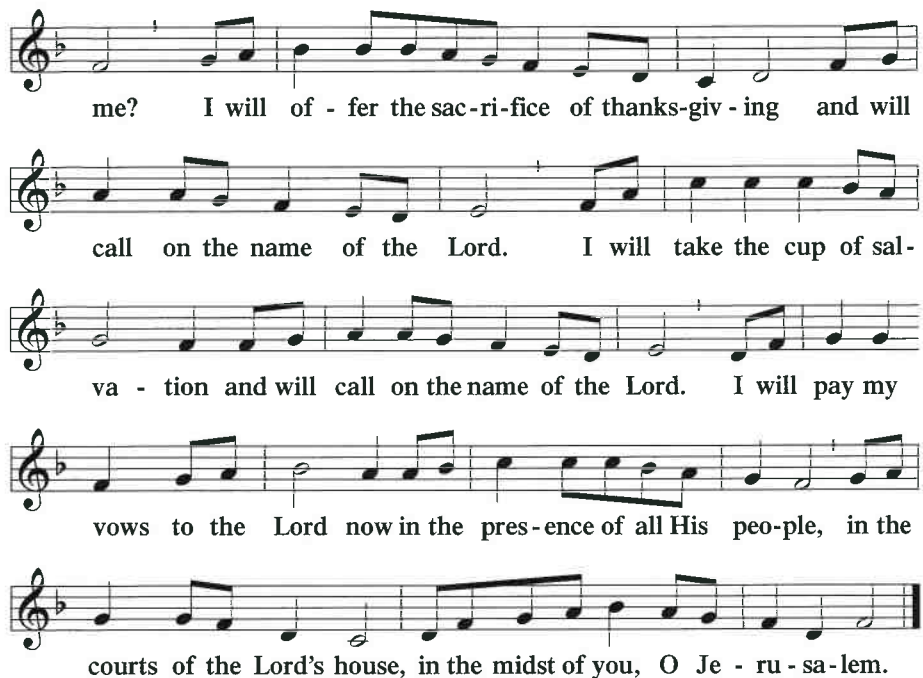
*Stand*

Offertory

*Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19*



**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal -  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo - ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

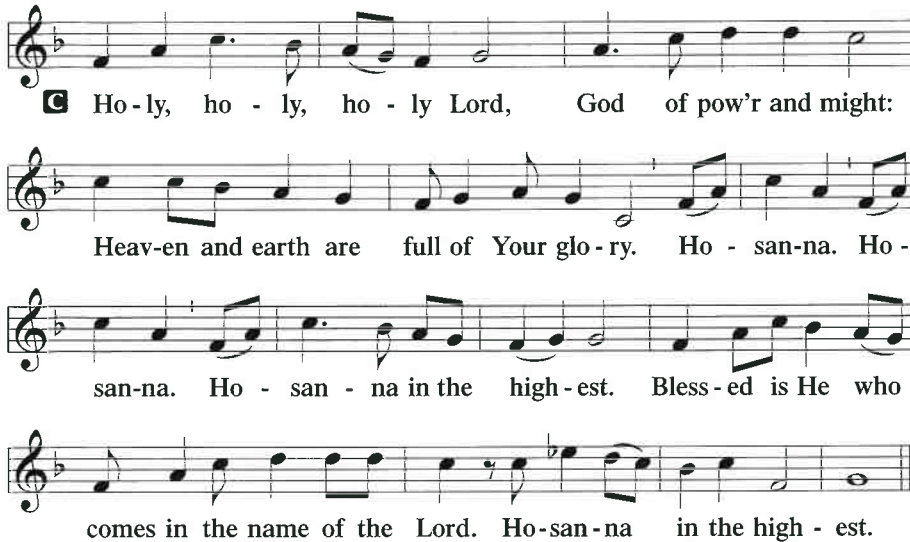
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### Proper Preface

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

## Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

**C** 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.

## The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

John 20:19

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



**C** A - - men.

## Agnus Dei

John 1:29



**C** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Sit*

## Distribution

If you have questions about your participation in communion, please see the “*Welcome to The Table of Our Lord*” statement on the inside cover of this worship folder.

## Musical Offering

Sung by Choir (10:30am Service Only)

*On This Day Earth Shall Ring*  
by Richard Hillert

## Distribution Hymn

370 *What Child Is This*



1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mar - y's lap is  
 2 Why lies He in such mean es - tate Where ox and ass are  
 3 So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peas - ant, king, to



sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet While  
 feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear; for sin - ners here The  
 own Him. The King of kings sal - va - tion brings; Let



shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is  
 si - lent Word is plead - ing. Nails, spear shall  
 lov - ing hearts en - throne Him. Raise, raise the



Christ the king, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;  
 pierce Him through, The cross be borne for me, for you;  
 song on high, The vir - gin sings her lul - la - by;



Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The babe, the son of Mar-y!  
 Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The babe, the son of Mar-y!  
 Joy, joy, for Christ is born, The babe, the son of Mar-y!

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## Distribution Hymn

398 *Hail to the Lord's Anointed*



1 Hail to the Lord's a - noint - ed, Great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
 2 He comes with res - cue speed - y To those who suf - fer wrong,  
 3 He shall come down like show - ers Up - on the fruit - ful earth;  
 4 Kings shall fall down be - fore Him And gold and in - cense bring;  
 5 O'er ev - 'ry foe vic - to - rious, He on His throne shall rest,





Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, His reign on earth be - gun!  
 To help the poor and need - y And bid the weak be strong;  
 Love, joy, and hope, like flow - ers, Spring in His path to birth.  
 All na - tions shall a - dore Him, His praise all peo - ple sing.  
 From age to age more glo - rious, All bless - ing and all - blest.



He comes to break op - pres - sion, To set the cap - tive free,  
 To give them songs for sigh - ing, Their dark - ness turn to light,  
 Be - fore Him on the moun - tains Shall peace, the her - ald, go;  
 To Him shall prayer un - ceas - ing And dai - ly vows as - cend;  
 The tide of time shall nev - er His cov - e - nant re - move;



To take a - way trans - gres - sion And rule in eq - ui - ty.  
 Whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, Were pre - cious in His sight.  
 And righ - teous - ness in foun - tains From hill to val - ley flow.  
 His king - dom still in - creas - ing, A king - dom with - out end.  
 His name shall stand for - ev - er— That name to us is Love.

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*Stand*

## The Dismissal

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart  $\text{✠}$  in peace.
- C** Amen.

## Thank the Lord

[Psalm 105:1-3, 42-43]; [1 Chronicles 16:8-10]



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud - ly bear His name.



He re - calls His prom - is - es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

### Post-Communion Collect

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

### Benediction

*Numbers 6:24-26*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



**C** A - men.

### Recessional Hymn

*650 Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling*



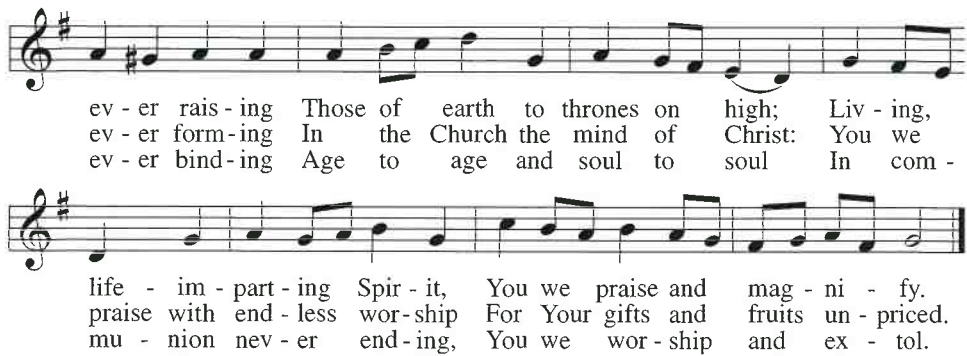
1 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er dwell - ing In the ho - liest  
2 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er liv - ing As the Church's  
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er work - ing Through the Church's



realms of light; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er brood - ing  
ver - y life; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er striv - ing  
min - is - try; Quick - 'ning, strength - 'ning, and ab - solv - ing,



O'er a world of gloom and night; Ho - ly Spir - it,  
Through us in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spir - it,  
Set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spir - it,



ev - er rais - ing Those of earth to thrones on high; Liv - ing,  
 ev - er form - ing In the Church the mind of Christ: You we  
 ev - er bind - ing Age to age and soul to soul In com -

life - im - part - ing Spir - it, You we praise and mag - ni - fy.  
 praise with end - less wor - ship For Your gifts and fruits un - priced.  
 mu - nion nev - er end - ing, You we wor - ship and ex - tol.

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## Postlude/Silent Prayer

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**LOOKING AHEAD TO THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD (OBSERVED)**

**January 14, 2024 - 8:00am & 10:30 Services**

**Readings**

Genesis 1:1-5

Psalm 29

Romans 6:1-11

Mark 1:4-11

**Hymns**

LSB 405

LSB 601

LSB 717

LSB 596

LSB 578

**Sermon**

**Our New Identity - "I Am Baptized!"**

**Romans 6:1-11**

***This Week at Pacific Hills***

**Sunday**  
**January 7**

8:00 am Eucharistic Worship  
9:15 am Choir Rehearsal  
Sunday School  
Education Hour with Pastor Bryan  
10:30 am Eucharistic Worship with Choir  
11:45 am Bell Choir Rehearsal  
6:00 pm Adult Bible Study (Zoom)

**Tuesday**  
**January 9**

9:00 am Care Ministry Meeting (Room 114)  
10:30 am Missions & Social Ministries Meeting (Room 115)  
11:30 am Lunch Bunch (Charleston's)  
7:00 pm Pray, Knit, Crochet (Narthex)  
Board of Directors Meeting (Acker Hall)

**Wednesday**  
**January 10**

9:30 am Devotional (Zoom)  
12:30 pm First Ladies AA Meeting (Rm 114)  
6:00 pm Youth Confirmation Class  
6:30 pm Women's Group (Narthex)

**Thursday**  
**January 11**

6:30 pm Tai Chi (Acker Hall)  
7:00 pm Board of Elders Meeting (Rm 115)

**Friday**  
**January 12**

7:30 pm Omaha Philatelic Society (Narthex/Acker Hall)

<u>Sunday</u>	8:00 am	Eucharistic Worship
<u>January 14</u>	9:00 am	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	9:15 am	Sunday School
		Education Hour with Pastor Bryan
	9:30 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 am	Eucharistic Worship with Bell Choir
	6:00 pm	Adult Bible Study (Zoom)

Please join Pastor Bryan between services for a Study on the Lessons of the Day. Class meets in Acker Hall. All are welcome!

Dr. Bob Vandervort and the Bible study group are studying 1st Samuel via Zoom every Sunday evening from 6:00 - 6:45 pm. Please e-mail Bob at [rsvod@cox.net](mailto:rsvod@cox.net) or call 402-350-0872 for more information. Everyone is welcome!

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### **Our Record of Response:**

#### **Christmas Eve & Christmas Morning Services**

Attendance:	Giving*:	\$12,575.45
Christmas Eve, 5pm:		115
Christmas Eve, 9pm:		40
Christmas Day, 9am:		26

#### **Sunday, December 31, 2023**

Attendance: 67	Giving: \$7,627.33	2023 Total Giving**: \$355,210.47
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\* Offerings from the Christmas services were unavailable at the time of publishing for the 12/31 Bulletin

\*\* YTD Giving includes envelope offerings, e-offerings & capital fund contributions

## Today's Service

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Psalmody	Psalm 72:1-15
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Holy Gospel	Matthew 2:1-12
Hymn of the Day	LSB 397 <i>As with Gladness Men of Old</i>
Creed	Nicene Creed
Distribution Hymn	LSB 370 <i>What Child Is This</i> LSB 398 <i>Hail to the Lord's Anointed</i>
Closing Hymn	LSB 650 <i>Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling</i>

## Presiding/Assisting This Day

Preaching & Presiding.....	Rev. Bryan Drebes
Organist .....	Zach Hastings
Artist.....	Michelle Steen
Acolyte .....	8:00 am 10:30 am
Head Usher .....	8:00 am Mark Stastny 10:30 am Sandy Frazier
Head Elder.....	8:00 am Matt Troutman Mike Whealy, Assist 10:30 am Bob Glissmann Bill Wagner, Assist
Lector.....	8:00 am Kevin Warneke 10:30 am Sharon Vacanti
Communion Steward.....	8:00 am Marlene Hawver 10:30 am Marlene Hawver Rhoda Storck

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Share Christ † Serve Others