

Worship Leader Edition
Epiphany Sunday

January 1, 2023

10:00 AM

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

+OPENING SONG

“Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy)”

*Watts, Handel, Tomlin,
et.al./Galbraith*

Verse 1

Joy to the world
The Lord is come
Let earth receive her King

Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room
And heaven and nature sing
And heaven and nature sing
And heaven and heaven
And nature sing

Verse 2

Joy to the world the Savior reigns
Let all their songs employ
While fields and floods
Rocks hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat repeat
The sounding joy

Chorus

Joy unspeakable joy
An overflowing well
No tongue can tell

Joy unspeakable joy
It rises in my soul
Never lets me go

Verse 3

He rules the world
With truth and grace
And makes the nations prove

The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love
And wonders of His love
And wonders
Wonders of His love

Chorus

+PRAYER OF THE DAY *{Front Center}* (Allie Erickson)

L: O God, on this day you revealed your Son to the nations by the leading of a star. Lead us now by faith to know your presence in our lives, and bring us at last to the full vision of you glorify, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, on God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

+SHARING OF THE PEACE *{Front Center}* (Allie Erickson)

Please share of wave of peace with one another.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS *{Front Center}* (Rob)

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *{On Floor Pulpit Side}* (Rob)

FIRST READING (Kerry Kollodge)

Isaiah 60:1-5

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

+THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'" Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

MESSAGE

Pastor Rob Norris-Weber

+SONG OF THE DAY

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

*Wesley, Mendelssohn
Ingram, Baloché/Galbraith*

Verse 1

Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn king;
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled."
Joyful, all you nations, rise;
join the triumph of the skies;
with angelic hosts proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Refrain

Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn king!"

Verse 2

Christ, by highest heav'n adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come,

offspring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!
Hail, incarnate deity!
Pleased as man with us to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel!

Refrain

Verse 3

Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of peace!
Hail the Sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
ris'n with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise each child of earth,
born to give us second birth.

Refrain

+THE APOSTLES' CREED (*Allie Erickson*)

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C: 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.

+THE PRAYERS (*Allie Erickson*)

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After each petition:

L: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

MEAL

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

+ CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS *{Behind Altar} (Pastor Rob)*

+THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Pastor Rob)*

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your Kingdom come: your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO THE TABLE/COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION SONG

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”
Jubilee Praise Team

Trad. Arr. D. Chapman

TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE

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L: In this time of reflection and response you are invited to fill out your welcome card. Share any reflections, questions, or prayers on the back. Also, take this time to prepare your offering. For those gathered the collection plates are in the front and back. For those online please go to our website stlukesbloomington.org and there is a link to give at the bottom of every page. Enjoy this time.

Please stand as you are able.

+POST-COMMUNION BLESSING *(Pastor Rob)*

L: The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

+POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *(Allie Erickson)*

L: Lord God, we give you thanks that you have fed us even now with the banquet that is yet to come. Keep us alert for signs of your presence in the world around us. Send us as healing oil and sheltering comfort to those in need, and make us bold in testifying to the light of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

SENDING

+BENEDICTION *(Pastor Rob)*

L: May the eternal light of God guide you in the way of the peace, through the power of Holy Spirit now and forevermore.

C: Amen.

+SENDING SONG

“Unto Us”

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Fielding, Ligertwood, Brooke, Smith

Chorus (two times)

Unto us a Son is given
Unto us a Savior is born
Unto us a King delivered
Unto us this Christmas morn

Verse 1

Let the earth lift high His praise
The Holy One Ancient of Days
The Son of God in flesh is born
King of kings and Lord of lords

Chorus (two times)

+DISMISSAL *(Allie Erickson)*

L: Let your light shine before others.

C: Glory be to God.

REPRISE

Verse 2

Worship now the newborn King
Within His hands salvation brings
Come exalt the Sacrifice
Born of God to give us life

Bridge

So let the Earth lift high His praise
The Holy One, Ancient of Days
The Son of God in flesh is born
The King of Kings and Lord of Lords!

Chorus