



# ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL **CHURCH**

## The Feast of the Epiphany

**January 3 and 4, 2026**



*Our Mission: **To know Christ and to make Christ known.***

*Our Vision: **To follow Christ's teaching in an atmosphere of love, joy, and healing.***

**All are welcome!**

**We are so glad you are here today to celebrate with us the day of the Lord!**

*Please respect those who seek time for quiet reflection before worship begins and while listening to the prelude. Guests, friends, and family, we would like to know you. Please fill out a Let's Get Acquainted card to introduce yourself to us. Let us know how the people of St Luke's can serve you and your family. Flyers about St. Luke's are available in the entry hall.*

### **Land Acknowledgement**

We acknowledge that we are on the ancestral and unceded lands of the Indigenous peoples of this region. This includes the Yavapai people, specifically the Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe and the Yavapai-Apache Nation, as well as the Hualapai Tribe, whose historical and cultural ties to this territory are enduring. We honor the original stewards of this land, who have resided here, and their deep connection to the earth, the water, and all living things. We pledge to honor Indigenous sovereignty, listen to Indigenous voices, and work toward a more just and equitable future in partnership with Native peoples.

Holy Eucharist

January 3 & 4, 2026

## The Feast of the Epiphany

Welcome

Chimes

Calls us to Worship

Prelude

*The Little Drummer Boy*

Processional Hymn H135

*Songs of thankfulness*

135

Epiphany

1. Songs of thank-ful- ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to thee we raise,  
2. Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro - phet, Priest, and King su - preme;  
3. Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;  
4. Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen - dent light,  
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;  
where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.  
branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;  
man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;  
When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,  
an - them be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
an - them be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
an - them be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
cross and Eas - ter Day at - test God in man made man - i - fest.

Words: Sts. 1-3, Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885); st. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984)  
Music: Salzburg, melody Jakob Hintze (1622-1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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## Acclamation

*Priest* Arise, shine, for our light has come.

**People And the glory of the Lord has risen upon us.**

## Collect for Purity

**All Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Song of Praise S280

*Glory to God*

(spoken at 5:30pm, sung at 8:00am and 10:00am)

**All Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you; we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Glory to God *Gloria in excelsis*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

## **The Collect of the Day**

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

**People And also with you.**

*Priest* Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

### **First Reading**

*Isaiah 60:1-6*

*Lector* A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

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. 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 proclaim the praise of the Lord.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God.**

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, \*  
**and your righteousness to the King's Son;**
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously \*  
**and the poor with justice;**
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, \*  
**and the little hills bring righteousness.**
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; \*  
**he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.**
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, \*  
**from one generation to another.**
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, \*  
**like showers that water the earth.**
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; \*  
**there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.**
- 10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, \*  
**and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.**
- 11 All kings shall bow down before him, \*  
**and all the nations do him service.**
- 12 For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, \*  
**and the oppressed who has no helper.**
- 13 He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; \*  
**he shall preserve the lives of the needy.**
- 14 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence\*  
**and dear shall their blood be in his sight.**

## **Second Reading**

*Ephesians 3:1-12*

Lector A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles-- for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

**People** **Thanks be to God.**

# Sequence Hymn H124 vs 1-2

*What star is this*

124

Epiphany

*Unison or harmony*

1 What star is this, with beams so bright, more beau - teous  
 2 True spake the pro - phet from a - far who told the  
 3 The guid - ing star a - bove is bright; with - in them  
 4 O Je - sus, while the star of grace im - pels us  
 5 To God the Fa - ther, heaven - ly Light, to Christ, re -

1 than the noon - day light? It shines to her - ald  
 2 rise of Ja - cob's star; and east - ern sa - ges  
 3 shines a clear - er light, and leads them on with  
 4 on to seek thy face, let not our sloth - ful  
 5 vealed in earth - ly night, to God the Ho - ly

1 forth the King, and Gen - tiles to his crib to bring.  
 2 with a - maze up - on the won - drous to - ken gaze.  
 3 power be - nign to seek the Giv - er of the sign.  
 4 hearts re - fuse the guid - ance of thy light to use.  
 5 Ghost we raise our e - qual and un - ceas - ing praise.

Words: Charles Coffin (1676-1749); tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Chandler (1807-1876), alt.

Music: *Puer nobis*, melody from Trier MS., 15th cent.; adapt. Michael Praetorius (1571-1621);

harm. Cowley Carol Book, 1902

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## The Gospel

*Matthew 2:1-12*

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew<sup>¶</sup>

**People Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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 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.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

**People Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Homily**

The Rev'd Susan Schubert

**Nicene Creed**

*All stand.*

*Priest* I bid you remember that it is only when we love one another that we can truly say:

*All* **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Prayers of the People, Form VI

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;

**People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;

**People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;

**People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Leader For all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons

**People For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Leader Hear us, Lord;

**People For your mercy is great.**

Leader We will exalt you, O God our King;

**People And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Leader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence. The People may add their own petitions.*

Leader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
**People Who put their trust in you.**

## **The Confession and Absolution**

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

## *Silence*

**All** **Most merciful God, we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Priest* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*All stand.*

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

# People And also with you.

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

**O God, our times are in your hands: look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace. Send your blessings upon them, that their homes may be a haven of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### The Liturgy of Holy Communion

#### Offertory Sentence

*Priest* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

**Offertory Anthem** *Star in the East*

**Presentation Hymn H-380 v.3** *Praise God from whom all blessings flow*

(spoken at 5:30pm, sung at 8:00am and 10:00am)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**  
**Praise God all creatures here, below.**  
**Praise God above ye heavenly hosts.**  
**Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

#### The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

*The people remain standing. The Priest faces them and says*

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

*Priest* Lift up your hearts.

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

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

**People** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

#### Preface for Epiphany

*Priest*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

**Priest and People**

**Sanctus S-129**

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly      Lord, God of pow - er and

might, hea - ven and earth are      full of your glo - ry.      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. \_\_\_\_\_

*(The people stand or kneel then the Priest continues)*

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with blessed St. Luke and all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen**

## The Lord's Prayer

*Priest* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**All** **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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

*The Priest breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Priest* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People Therefore, let us keep the Feast. Alleluia!**

## Fraction Anthem S-154

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G major (two sharps) and common time. The lyrics are as follows:

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

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

there - fore let us keep the feast.

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

## **Invitation**

*Priest*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

## **COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

*The Table is ready and ALL are invited. So, come, you who have much faith and you Who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. Come, because it is Christ who invites you to meet God here. You are welcome to receive just the Body of Christ or to cross your arms in front of you to receive a blessing from the clergy. (Gluten-free option available, just let your server know.)*

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen**

**Eucharist Hymn H339**

*Deck thyself*

# Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness

*The Hymnal 1982, #339*

1 Deck thy - self, my soul, with glad - ness, leave the  
2 Sun, who all my life dost bright - en; Light, who  
3 Je - sus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me

gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, come in - to the day - light's  
dost my soul en - light - en; Joy, the best that an - y  
glad - ly here o - bey thee; nev - er to my hurt in -

splen - dor, there with joy thy prais - es ren - der  
know - eth; Fount, whence all my be - ing flow - eth:  
vit - ed, be thy love with love re - quit - ed;

un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed hath this  
at thy feet I cry, my Ma - ker, let me Lord, how  
from this ban - quet let me mea - sure,

won - drous ban - quet found - ed - high o'er all the heavens he  
be a fit par - ta - ker of this bless - ed food from  
vast and deep its trea - sure; through the gifts thou here dost

reign - eth, yet to dwell with thee he deign - eth.  
 hea - ven, for our good, thy glo - ry, giv - en.  
 give me, as thy guest in heaven re - ceive me.

Words: Johann Franck (1618-1677); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: *Schmücke dich*, melody Johann Cruger (1598-1662); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906.

## SENDING FORTH TO SERVE

### EUCARIST VISITOR COMMISSIONING

*Deacon* In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

**People** **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Priest*                    Let us pray

**All**                    **Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.**

## **Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn H119**

*As with gladness men of old*

# As with gladness men of old

*The Hymnal 1982, #119*



1 As with glad - ness men of old did the guid-ing star be - hold;  
2 As with joy - ful steps they sped to that low - ly man-ger - bed;  
3 As they of - fered gifts most rare at that man-ger rude and bare;  
4 Ho - ly Je - sus! ev - ery day keep us in the nar - row way;  
5 In the heaven - ly coun - try bright, need they no cre - a - ted light;

1 as with joy they hailed its light, lead - ing on - ward, beam-ing bright;  
2 there to bend the knee be - fore him whom heaven and earth a - dore;  
3 so may we with ho - ly joy, pure and free from sin's al - loy,  
4 and, when earth - ly things are past, bring our ran - somed souls at last  
5 thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down:

1 so, most gra - cious Lord, may we ev - er - more be led to thee.  
2 so may we with will - ing feet ev - er seek the mer - cy - seat.  
3 all our cost - liest trea - sures bring, Christ! to thee, our heaven-ly King.  
4 where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glo - ry hide.  
5 there for ev - er may we sing al - le - lu - ias to our King.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898). Music: *Dix*, melody Conrad Kocher (1786-1872); arr. William Henry Monk (1823-1889); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906.

## Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!

**People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Postlude**      *We Three Kings/My Favorite Things*