

**8:30 & 10:30a.m.
WORSHIP**

SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Lutheran Community of Christian Believers - ELCA

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*When they
saw the star,
they rejoiced
exceedingly
with great joy.*

Matthew 2:10, ESV

**JANUARY 6, 2018
EPIPHANY OF
OUR LORD**

All Are Welcome

All who have come to worship are heartily welcomed. Let us joyfully open our hearts to God and to one another.

You are encouraged to participate in all that Shepherd of the Glades has to offer and to make Shepherd of the Glades your spiritual home.

All are invited and welcome to partake of the sacrament of Holy Communion by kneeling at the altar rail. Children are encouraged to come to receive the Lord's Blessing. The Eucharist is celebrated by intinction. Our Altar Guild at all communion services offers grape juice (the smaller chalice), as well as wine, for intinction, the dipping of wafer into the wine or juice. The Assistant will hold both the wine and the juice and move from the center to the outside of the communion rail. Communion is continuous with kneeling. Note: Gluten free wafers are now offered as well.

If Shepherd of the Glades can be of service to you or if you would like Pastor Bob to contact you, please so indicate on the pew welcome sheet.

Ministries for Today

Lector: 8:30 a.m. Penny Morken
10:30 a.m. Chuck Keller

Assistant: 8:30 a.m. Cindy Quehl
10:30 a.m. Colleen Hoffman

Altar Guild: 8:30 a.m. Bonny Dery
10:30 a.m. Vicki Dunlop

Ushers: 8:30 a.m. Lester Larrabee, Karen Peterson,
Jim Sauer, and Charlotte Wahlig
10:30 a.m. Ron & Barb Modjeska, Barb Tommingo,
And Doug Walck

December 30, 2018 Attendance: 9:30 a.m. - 125

Two worship services beginning TODAY: 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

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Epiphany of our Lord – January 6, 2019

8:30 and 10:30 A.M. Worship - Setting 3

+ Indicates Please Stand

Bold Indicates Congregation Joins In

PRELUDE

INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the presiding minister begins:

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who shines in glory, clothes us in compassion, and bears gifts of mercy for all.

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sins with confidence in god's promise of forgiveness.
(Silence is kept for reflection.)

P God, wonderful counselor,

C **We confess that we have turned from your gifts and chosen our own way. We have not made room for you in our hearts or in our world. We have lived in fear; we have not welcomed the stranger; we desire gifts that will not endure. Forgive us our sins, known and unknown, and open us to receive the peace of Jesus dwelling in and among us. Amen.**

P God's lovingkindness has appeared to us in Christ our Savior. We are saved, not by anything we have done, but by God's mercy poured out on us richly. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Through the Spirit living in you, God give you faith to trust Jesus, who is Love born for you, now and always.

C **Amen.**

+ **GATHERING HYMN** *“As with Gladness Men of Old”* **ELW 302**

+ **GREETING**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

STEWARDSHIP

Tom Dunlop

+ **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray.

C **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 your glory, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 60:1-6

¹Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. ²For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. ³Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. ⁴Lift 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. ⁵Then 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. ⁶A 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.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 (*Sung responsively at 8:30 a.m.; Spoken at 10:30 a.m.*)

¹Give the king your jus- | tice, O God,
and your righteousness to | the king's son;
²**that he may rule your | people righteously
and the | poor with justice;**
³that the mountains may bring prosperity | to the people,
and the | hills, in righteousness.
⁴**Let him defend the needy a- | mong the people,
rescue the poor, and crush | the oppressor.**
⁵May he live as long as the sun and | moon endure,
from one generation | to another.
⁶**Let him come down like rain upon | the mown field,
like showers that wa- | ter the earth.**
⁷In his time may the | righteous flourish;
and let there be an abundance of peace
till the moon shall | be no more.
¹⁰**May the kings of Tarshish and of the | isles pay tribute,
and the kings of Sheba and Seba | offer gifts.**
¹¹May all kings bow | down before him,
and all the nations | do him service.
¹²**For the king delivers the poor who cry out | in distress,
the oppressed, and those who | have no helper.**
¹³He has compassion on the low- | ly and poor,
and preserves the lives | of the needy.
¹⁴**From oppression and violence he re- | deems their lives,
and precious is their blood | in his sight.**

SECOND READING: Ephesians 3:1-12

¹This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles — ²for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, ³and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, ⁴a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ.

⁵In 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: ⁶that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

⁷Of 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. ⁸Although 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, ⁹and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; ¹⁰so 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. ¹¹This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹²in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Bob Hoffman

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Gospel Acclamation



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.

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+ The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 2:1-12

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ²asking, "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."

³When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

⁶And 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."

⁷Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then 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." ⁹When 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. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On 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. ¹²And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Bob Hoffman

HYMN OF THE DAY *"O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"* **ELW 308**

A Let us proclaim our trust in the presence and power of god in our lives with the word of the Apostles' Creed.

+ **APOSTLES' CREED**

**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

A Dwelling in the presence of God with us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Drawn into the light of God, we pray for the proclamation of the grace of Jesus Christ. Give us courage and boldness to go forth into the world to tell the good news of what God has done. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Drawn into the glory of creation, we pray for the earth. Sustain every living thing with abundant resources, clean water, and sustainable harvests. Help us to steward all that you have provided. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Drawn into the brightness of God's presence, we pray for the nations of the world. Reveal your compassion and peace for the sake of all who live in the shadow of oppression, violence, and fear. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Drawn into the light of healing mercy, we pray for all who wait for healing and relief of suffering. Give us hope in the promise of new life where pain and suffering will be no more. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Drawn into the dawn of a new day, we pray for the ongoing reconciliation between people. Make us bold to name sin in our lives and unite us in the promise of forgiveness and mercy. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Drawn into the promise of everlasting light, we pray for those who mourn and give thanks for all the saints who now rest in the brightness of God's presence. Make us confident in our worship as we reflect the light of God with eternal praise. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Send your Holy Spirit on this congregation and our Call Committee as we prepare ourselves to call the pastor you have chosen for us. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Trusting in the presence of God by the power of the Holy Spirit, we commend all for whom we pray, dwelling in the light and hope of Christ, our Savior.

C Amen.

+ SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

(Please greet one another as we share Christ's presence in our midst.)

WE SHARE OUR GIFTS & TITHES

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (8:30 a.m.)**“We Three Kings”**

ARR. UNKNOWN

Chancel Choir

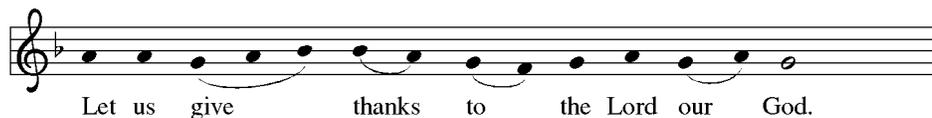
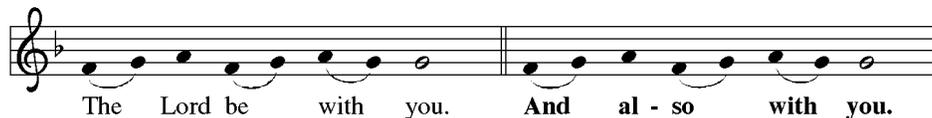
OFFERTORY HYMN (10:30 a.m.)**“In the Bleak Midwinter”**

ELW 294

+ OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray.

C **Holy God, your beauty shines forth from the manger and your love flows from the cross. As you gather us around these signs of your love come among us, warm us to extend your care among the hungry and all in need. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

+ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life. Blessed are you for the birth of creation. Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams. Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will. Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: this cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

P With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

C **Come, Lord Jesus.**

P Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

C **Come, Holy Spirit. All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

+ **THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(Spoken)*

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Come to the table where Christ meets you. Eat, rejoice, and be glad!

(Eucharist is celebrated by intinction, the dipping of bread into the wine or juice. All are welcome to partake of the sacrament.)

A Please be seated.

Lamb of God

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.

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COMMUNION HYMNS *“Bright and Glorious Is the Sky”* ELW 301 *“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”* ELW 779

A Please stand as you are able.

+ **COMMUNION ACCLAMATION**

C **The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace. Amen.**

+ **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**

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Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -
 filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the
 sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions
 and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.
 Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

A Let us pray.

C God of wonder, in Jesus we behold the light of the world come near. As you have come among us now, send us out in joy, hastening to share the good news of your love. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit dwelling among us now and forever. Amen.

+ **THE BLESSING**

P God the Creator who delights in you, Jesus the Savior who is born for you, and the life giving Spirit who shines on you, + bless you and keep you in hope and peace.

C Amen.

+ **SENDING HYMN**

“This Little Light of Mine”

ELW 677

+ **PRAYER FOR SENDING**

C O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us such trust in your presence and power in our lives to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but knowing only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us. Amen.

+ **DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Share the joy of Christ.

C Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A CALL FOR ACTION

Every week, Shepherd of the Glades will be collecting and donating canned and boxed food to help persons in need at St. Matthew’s House, Grace Place, and Immokalee Friendship House. Suggested items are canned food of all kinds, powdered milk, peanut butter, jellies/jams, cereals, soups, rice, pasta, etc. Items need to be within code date and unopened. Just bring your donations to the Church and give to the ushers. All items are being delivered locally. The last delivery was to St. Matthew’s House.



FOR OUR YOUNGEST WORSHIPPERS

If you are worshipping with a child, there are activity bags for children to use during service which are located near the front door on the table. Please feel free to make use of them.

PASTOR’S WINTER BIBLE STUDY

Pastor Bob’s Bible study begins on Thursday, January 10, 2019, at both 2:00 and 7:00 p.m. in Hanson Hall. The study will be on the Gospel of Luke.

WELCOME BACK LUNCHEON

Next Sunday after the 10:30 a.m. service will be our annual “Welcome Back” Luncheon in Hanson Hall. Please be sure to sign up if you are coming so we may plan for food.

THIS WEEK AT SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES:

Office hours this week are: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday.

Epiphany of our Lord Sunday, January 6, 2018, 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Worship with Pastor Bob; 10:30 a.m. Sunday School

Monday & Wednesday, January 7 and January 9, 9:00-10:00 a.m. Bone Builders, Hanson Hall

Tuesday, January 8, 2019, 5:30 p.m. Council meeting

Thursday, January 10, 2019, 2:00 and 7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study with Pastor Bob

Friday, January 11, 2019, 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study in Choir Room

Ways to Be Faithful with the Lord

- ✝ Put God first
- ✝ Seek and do God's will
- ✝ Pray daily
- ✝ Worship weekly
- ✝ Study & know God's word
- ✝ Love & serve others
- ✝ Tithe thankfully
- ✝ Share the Gospel
- ✝ Participate at church
- ✝ Repent unfaithfulness

**Return to the Lord
Follow Jesus**

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