

EPIPHANY SUNDAY

January 6, 2019

WE HAVE COME TO PAY HIM HOMAGE!



GOLD HILL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

A CONGREGATION OF THE MONTANA SYNOD OF

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA (ELCA)

Welcome to Gold Hill Evangelical Lutheran Church, and a special welcome to our guests and those returning after a time away. We're gathered as a Christian community to worship the Lord!

Please know that you are always welcome here.

***Our Congregation's Mission Statement:
EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, UNITED TO SERVE***

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning!

Please let us know if there are other ways we can be of service. Guests are invited to fill out the small green contact card in the rack in front of you and hand it to the Pastor or other worship leaders or place it in the offering plate. We promise not to 'stalk' anyone – we're just trying to let you know we care.

The Guiding Principles of God's People at Gold Hill Lutheran

Principle 1: Jesus Christ is our Lord & Savior

Principle 2: The Holy Spirit & worship strengthen us

Principle 3: We are a welcoming & inviting community in Christ

Principle 4: We share the Word with confidence and courage

Principle 5: Our faith leads us to serve joyfully

Principle 6: We are generous with our gifts

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Today's Worship Leaders

Worship Leader:	Pastor Laurie Jungling
Assisting Minister:	Julie Corbin
Music Ministers:	Dorothy Schultz
Communion Ministers:	Julie Corbin
Ushers:	Byron DeWaay & Jeanette Nielsen
Roving Greeters:	Patti Chain and HeatherLynn Meeks
Additional Servant Ministers:	Ruschelle Tyvand, Tavia Broudy

Today's Liturgy: Setting 10 ELW, p. 203

P=Presiding Minister A=Assisting Minister

C=Congregation

GATHERING

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

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 Song "As With Gladness" ELW #302

Greeting ELW p. 203

Kyrie ELW p. 203

“Glory to God” ELW p. 204

Prayer of the Day

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.

WORD (all scriptures are on the back pages of the bulletin)

Old Testament Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalm 72:1-7, 11-14

Reading from the Early Church Ephesians 3:1-12

Gospel Acclamation ELW p. 205

Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

Young People’s Message Pastor Laurie

Sermon Pastor Laurie

Hymn of the Day “O Morning Star” ELW #308

The Apostles Creed (see the folder in the back inside cover)

Prayers of Intercession

Respond to each petition with **Your Mercy is Great.**

Peace

P: The Peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

Gathering of Offering

Offertory “Our Gifts Belong to You”

Our gifts belong to you Lord, our gifts belong to you.

We lift them up to you, Lord, and sing Alleluia.

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Offering Prayer

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.

MEAL

Great Thanksgiving ELW p. 206

Holy, Holy, Holy ELW p. 207

Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer ELW p. 208

Lamb of God ELW p. 208

Hymns during Communion

“In the Bleak Midwinter” ELW #294

“What Child is This” ELW #296

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

(Served at the Rail)

Blessing of Communion Ministers

Communion Blessing

Prayer After Communion

SENDING

Benediction

Announcements

Sending Song “Rise, Shine, You People!” ELW #665

Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Share the joy of Christ!

C: We go, empowered by the Holy Spirit, united to Serve.

Thanks be to God!

OLD TESTAMENT reading

Isaiah 60:1-6

1 Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. 2 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. 3 Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. 4 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. 5 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. 6 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.

Psalm 72:1-6, 11-14

A: Give the king your justice, O God,

C: and your righteousness to a king's son.

A: May he judge your people with righteousness,

C: and your poor with justice.

A: May the mountains yield prosperity for the people,

C: and the hills, in righteousness.

A: May he defend the cause of the poor of the people,

C: give deliverance to the needy, and crush the oppressor.

A: May he live while the sun endures,

C: and as long as the moon, throughout all generations.

A: May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass,

C: like showers that water the earth.

A: In his days may righteousness flourish

C: and peace abound, until the moon is no more.

A: May all kings fall down before him, all nations give him service.

C: For he delivers the poor who cry out in distress, the oppressed, and those who have no helper.

A: He has compassion on the lowly and poor, and saves the lives of the needy.

C: From oppression and violence he redeems their life; and precious is their blood in his sight.

Ephesians 3:1-12

1 This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— 2 for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, 3 and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, 4 a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. 5 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: 6 that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. 7 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. 8 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, 9 and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; 10 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. 11 This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, 12 in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Matthew 2:1-12

1 In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, Magi from the East came to Jerusalem, 2 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." 3 When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; 4 and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. 5 They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: 6 "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.' " 7 Then Herod secretly called for the Magi and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. 8 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."

9 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. 10 When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. 11 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. 12 And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.