

We hope you feel welcomed by our community, inspired by the message of Jesus today and excited to live that out in the coming week

Welcome To Worship



WORSHIP

Worship is a big deal to us. Something happens in us and through us when we gather. Jesus said it this way: “For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.” When we gather together for worship we can experience the presence of God in a way that we can’t on our own. It isn’t just about learning and it certainly isn’t about getting on God’s good side. Worship is a corporate way to personally experience (be in relationship with) God and others. Welcome!

GIVE

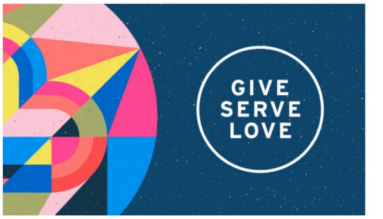
Want an easy way to give digitally? Scan the QR code below and head to the give page of our website for all the info!



CONNECT

The best way to stay connected to Epiphany is to sign up to receive our twice per week emails we call “Connect”. On Tuesday and Friday we send out the latest information about our ministries, worship, events and more.

You can see our most recent emails by scanning this QR Code and following the link. If you wish, you can even sign up to receive Connect for yourself! The sign up form is on the same page. Open your phone's camera and scan the code below to stay connected!



NEW

If you are new to Epiphany we want to tell you a little about our us. We hope to be a church that focuses on the love of Jesus, invites you to follow Jesus in the way you live and seeks to spread that invitation to all people, including those in the LGBTQIA+ community, all family types, ethnicities, ages and social classes. We want to follow Jesus and passionately proclaim that his love is for all. If you wish to know more about our welcome and inclusion statement, visit us here.

We would love to hear a little bit about you. Scan the QR code below for an easy way to let us know what you think or ask us a question.

EPIPHANY

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
November 8 , 2026 9:00 a.m.

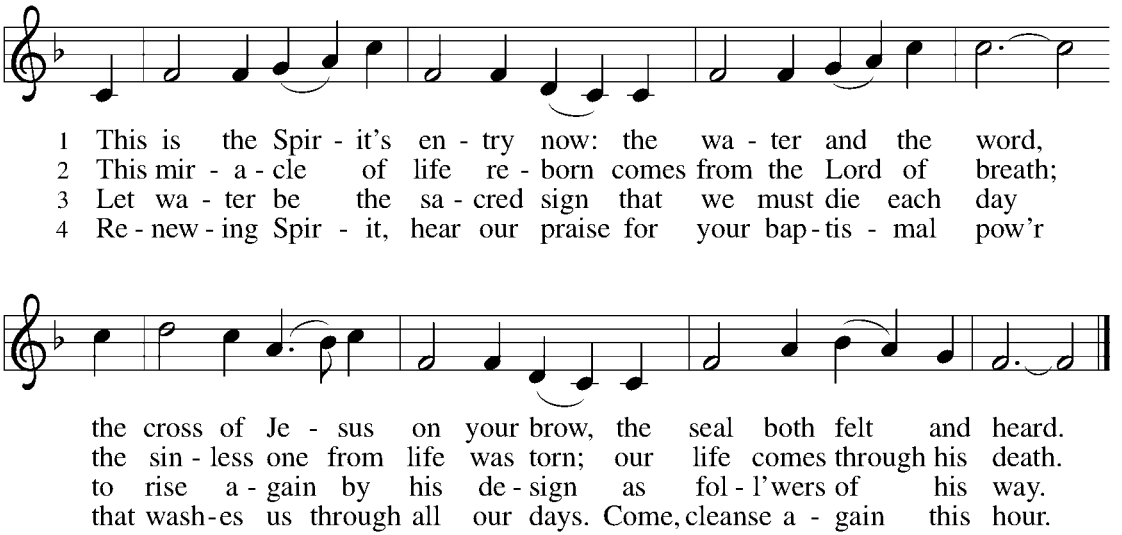
PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand

OPENING HYMN **ELW #448**

This Is the Spirit's Entry Now



Text: Thomas E. Herbranson, b. 1933
Music: LAND OF REST, North American traditional
Text © Thomas E. Herbranson, admin. Augsburg Fortress

Please sit

WE CELEBRATE THE BAPTISM OF ROMAN MICHAEL SLATOFF

READING Amos 5:18-24

A A reading from Amos

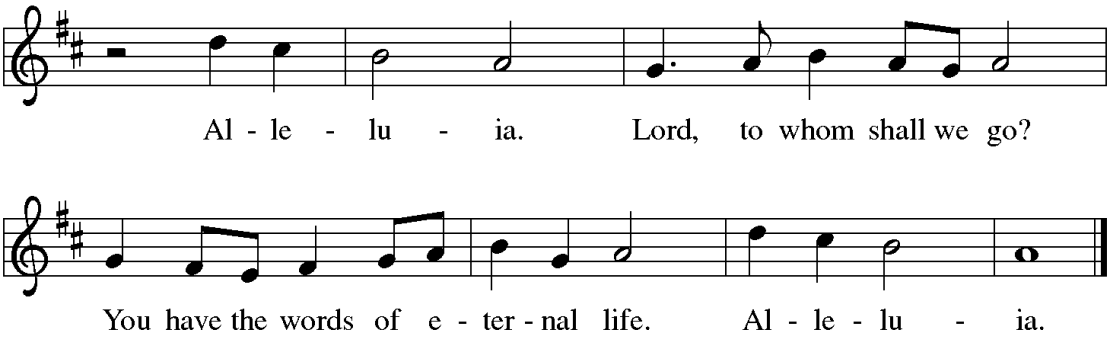
[8] Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD!
Why do you want the day of the LORD?
It is darkness, not light,
[19] as if someone fled from a lion
and was met by a bear
or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall
and was bitten by a snake.
[20] Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light,
and gloom with no brightness in it?

[21] I hate, I despise your festivals,
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.
[22] Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,
I will not accept them,
and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals
I will not look upon.
[23] Take away from me the noise of your songs;
I will not listen to the melody of your harps.
[24] But let justice roll down like water
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

A The word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL Matthew 25:1-13

P The Gospel according to Matthew the twenty-fifth chapter.
C Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] [1] "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. [2] Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. [3] When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, [4] but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. [5] As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. [6] But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' [7] Then all those young women got up and trimmed their lamps. [8] The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' [9] But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' [10] And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. [11] Later the other young women came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' [12] But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' [13] Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

P The Gospel of the Lord
C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit

SERMON Pastor Brad Gee

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY **ACS #949**

Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning



Text: African American spiritual
Music: KEEP YOUR LAMPS, African American spiritual

APOSTLES' CREED

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.

PRAYERS

A United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.

C Amen.

PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

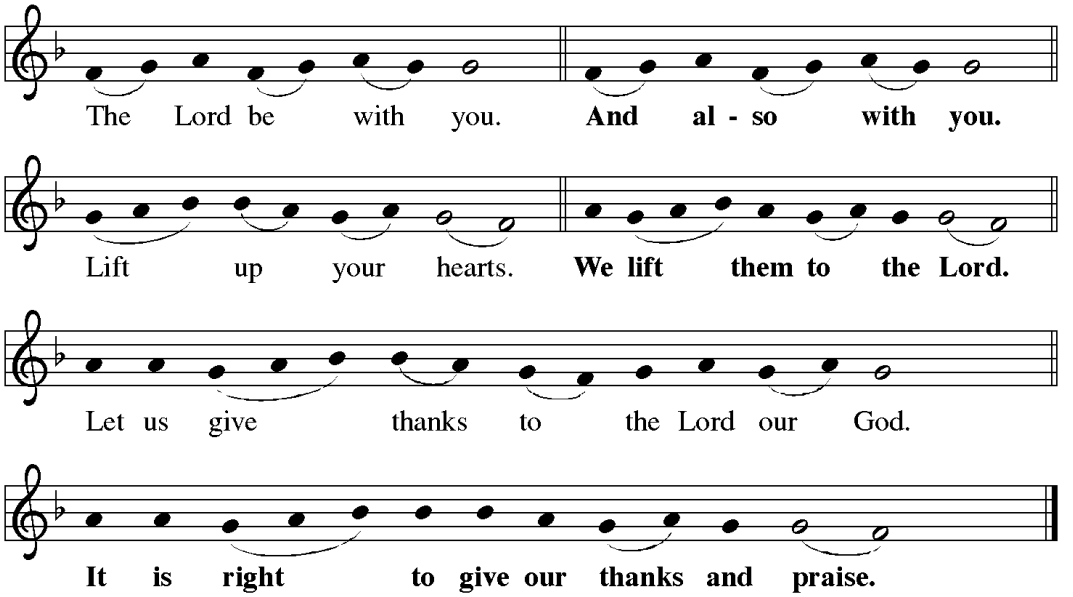
C And also with you.

Please sit

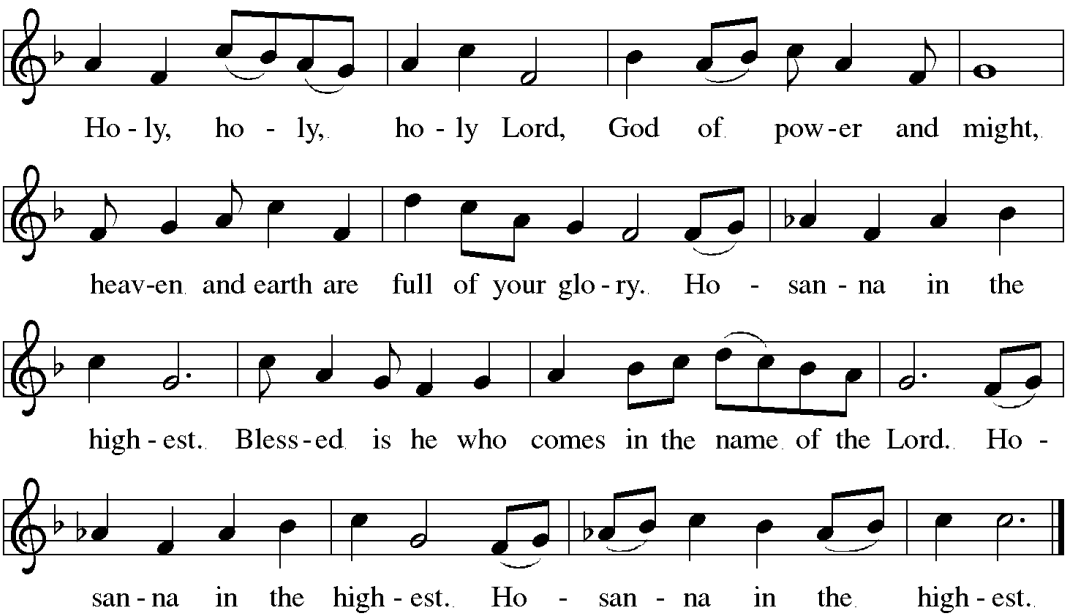
SPECIAL MUSIC Adult Choir

Watch Now -Schram

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



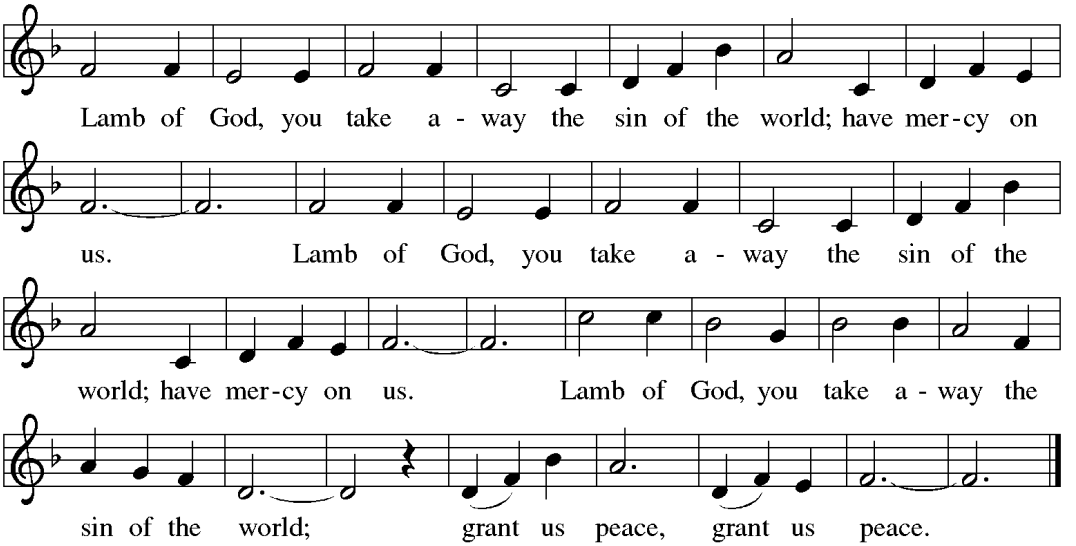
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

Please sit

LAMB OF GOD



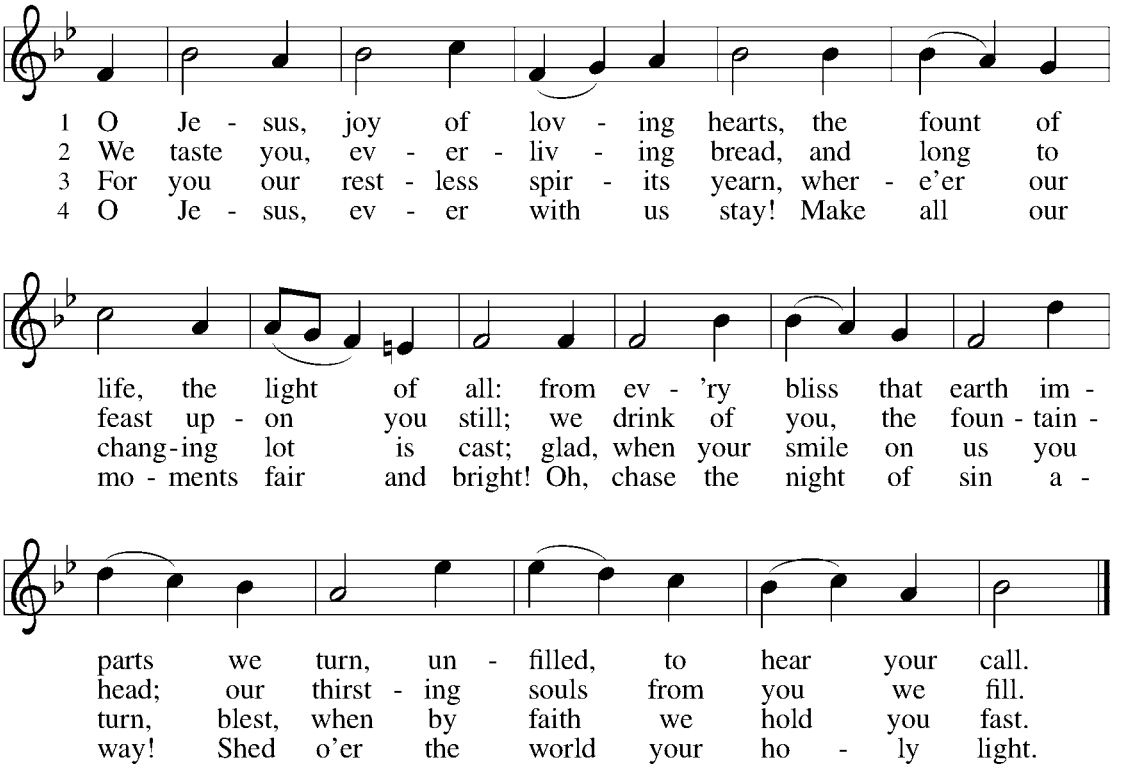
Music: *Bread of Life*, Jeremy Young, b. 1948
Music © 1995 Augsburg Fortress.

COMMUNION

All are welcome to share in communion this morning! Gluten-free wafers are available if needed. White grape juice is available in the center of the tray. If you would like to have communion brought to you in the pew, please don't hesitate to raise your hand to catch the traveling server's attention and also let the usher know. If you have questions about communion, contact Pastor Brad at: pastorbrad@epiphany-lutheran.com.

COMMUNION HYMN ELW #658

O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts



Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Ray Palmer, 1808–1887, alt.
Music: WALTON, W. Gardiner, *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

Please stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

P May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of the bread and wine that we have shared, strengthen us and unite us in bonds of love and peace.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever.

C Amen

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE WEEK

CLOSING HYMN **ELW #810**

O Jesus, I Have Promised



Text: John E. Bode, 1816–1874, alt.
Music: MUNICH, *Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch*, Meiningen, 1693

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

EPIPHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Ministers	ALL THE MEMBERS OF EPIPHANY
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Director of Education & Technology	Jeff Mitchell
Director of Music	Terry McCandless
Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministries	Ali Adams
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