



January 5, 2025

*Epiphany of
Our Lord*

Welcome to OSLC

TODAY

10 am

Sunday Worship/
Communion

4pm

Confirmation

THIS WEEK

Tuesday

4pm

WELCA Bible Study

6pm

Music & Worship Mtg

Wednesday

4pm

Connect

7:30pm

Council

Thursday

6pm Food Pantry

NEXT WEEK

Sunday

10am

Sunday Worship

10am

Sunday School

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunday January 19th is youth led Sunday, Please remember to sign up to help with the service.

Offering Envelopes 2025 Offering Envelopes are ready to be picked up.

Giving reports for 2024 will be generated in January and in mailboxes by February 1st.

Youth Programs Connect resumes January 8th. Sunday School resumes January 12. Youth Group resumes January 15th.

Annual Meeting: Mark your calendars for January 19th! Annual reports are due by January 8th.

Order of Service

Welcome and Announcements

Song: *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

ELW 270

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting.

Amen.

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

God-with-us,

we confess that we have turned away those seeking shelter, claiming there is no room when we have plenty. We have made power and wealth our idols, while you show us true glory: a baby in a manger. We have overlooked the shepherds, expecting good news in prettier packaging. Too often, we have valued violence instead of your peace. Turn us from our ways to your ways. Grant us the grace to begin again. Free us from all that keeps us bound, and forgive our sin, through Jesus Christ, who gives himself for us. Amen.

Hear the good news and rejoice!

You are God's chosen ones,
holy and beloved, forgiven in Christ,
and freed to respond in joy.

Amen.

Prayer of the Day: Almighty God, you have filled all the earth with the light of your incarnate Word. By your grace empower us to reflect your light in all that we do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First 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.

Word of God, Word of Life....**Thanks be to God**

Psalm: Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14

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 hills, in righteousness.

⁴ **Let him defend the needy among the people,
rescue the poor, and crush the oppressor.**

⁵ May 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 water the earth.**

⁷ In 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.**

¹¹ May 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.**

¹³ He has compassion on the lowly and poor,
and preserves the lives of the needy.

¹⁴ **From oppression and violence he redeems their lives,
and precious is their blood in his sight.**

Second Reading: 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.

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*The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, **Glory to You, O' Lord.***

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

¹ In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men 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 wise men 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
*This is the Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O' Christ.***

Sermon

Pastor Kayla

Hymn of the Day: *Jesus, the Light of the World* insert

Holy Baptism:

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Theo James Langerud

Son of: Josh & Karissa Langerud

Sponsor: Jocelyn Tucker

Prayers of the Church: *God, of grace, receive our prayer.*

Offertory Song: *We Are an Offering* **ELW 692**

Offering Prayer: God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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Communion Songs: *Lamb Of God,*
P&W 214, 218, 219, 220, 221

Prayer after Communion: We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Song:

Bright and Glorious in the Sky (vs 1,2,5,6) **ELW 301**

Dismissal: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

VISITOR INFORMATION

Welcome! We are so glad you are here!

Restrooms are on the first level, as you entered the building. A diaper changing table can be found in the nursery and in one of the main floor restrooms.

Communion: We welcome all people at the Lord's supper, regardless of age, background, or church tradition. If you would like to receive communion, simply extend your hands to receive. Grape juice and gluten free communion elements are available.

Little Lutherans:

- **Worship Bags** and age appropriate toys are available in the back to be used during worship.
- A **playground** is available at the front of the sanctuary for children needing more room to move and play during worship. Parents are required to sit with their children in this space.
- **Sunday School** is dismissed during the Joyful Noise song.

Thank you to those who assisted with worship today!

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Reader

Communion Assistants

Song Leader

Coffee

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