

The Nativity with Magi by Sadao Watanabe. Dye stencil print on Momigami paper, crumpled by hand, 1969.



The Epiphany

January 7, 2024 8:00 and 9:30 a.m.

The Holy Season of Epiphany: Light, Manger, Magi, Revelation

The Episcopal Church says the following about the Season of Epiphany:

"A season of four to nine weeks, from the Feast of the Epiphany (January 6), through the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday. The length of the season varies according to the date of Easter. The gospel stories of this season describe various events that manifest the divinity of Jesus. The coming of the Magi is celebrated on the Epiphany... We are called to respond to Christ in faith through the showings of his divinity recorded in the gospels of the Epiphany season."



This year we have five of the possible Sundays that stretch from January 7 to February 11. Each day of Epiphanytide we gain several minutes of daylight—literally there is more light in our lives. During our worship services we will hear gospel stories primarily from Mark's gospel. Almost all the gospel passages focus on the ways that Jesus revealed to his disciples and the world that he was the Christ, the light of the world.

We would like to start a new tradition here at Christ Church: chalking the door to one's home in the season of Epiphany. This tradition started in medieval times in central Europe. The custom is practiced by millions of Christians around the world today and is rooted in the visitation of the "wise men from the East" to the infant Jesus and his parents. See the announcement in the Blue Sheet and sign up via the QR Code or link in the weekly eNews to have your door chalked and blessed.



As one canon of the Church of England wrote so eloquently, "It is, moreover, a constant reminder that Christ is incarnate in the love and care we show each other in our ordinary lives together, and also our relationship with friends and strangers who cross the threshold of our homes in the course of the year."

We invite you into this holy time of revelation of Christ to the world, where the days become longer, the light brighter, and we look for how Jesus has been revealed to us in our lives.



New Epiphany Adult Education Class: Praying and Singing Our Way Through Worship Sundays January 14—February 4 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Join Richard Clemmitt, our Organist and Choirmaster, and Rev. Matthew Hanisian, our Rector, for a new series about our Book of Common Prayer and the Hymnal 1982. We will discuss how to best use them during our services on Sunday mornings along with some pro tips. Whether you are brand new to Christ Church or a cradle Episcopalian we guarantee you will have fun and learn something new about using these wonderful resources in our pews. For more information, please Richard Clemmitt at rclemmitt@christchurchwinnetka.org Matthew+ contact or matthew@christchurchwinnetka.org.

Celebration of Holy Eucharist, Rite II – 8:00 a.m.

Our services are taken from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and The Hymnal 1982 (H). We invite you to participate fully in our worship of God, both with your joyful singing and with your spoken responses which appear in bold italics.

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn: As With Gladness Men of Old

H 119

Please stand as you are able and sing.

Opening Acclamation

BCP 299

Blessed be God: Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

There is one Body and one Spirit; There is one hope in God's call to us.

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism; One God and Father of all.

Collect of the Day

BCP 214

First Reading p. 4 of bulletin Psalm 72:1-2, 10-14 p. 5 of bulletin Second Reading p. 6 of bulletin p. 6 of bulletin p. 7 of bulletin p. 7 of bulletin

Sermon The Reverend Matthew Hanisian

One minute of silence.

The Baptismal Covenant Please stand as you are able.

Prayers for the Candidates

The Peace

BCP 304

BCP 305

BCP 308

Announcements and Giving

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

Fraction Invitation

Distribution of Holy Communion

ALL are welcome to receive Holy Communion at Christ Church. Should you wish, instead, to receive a blessing simply cross your arms over your chest. Please wait until both the host and wine have been offered before departing the altar rail.

A gluten-free host is available from the standing station on the far right of the communion rail.

If you are unable to come forward for any reason, but would like to receive Holy Communion, please inform an usher so our clergy can bring Communion to you.

Post-Communion Prayer BCP 365
Blessing

Dismissal BCP 366

BCP 366

Celebration of Holy Eucharist, Rite II, and Holy Baptism – 9:30 a.m.

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This service is being livestreamed.

THE WORD OF GOD

We offer this music to open your mind for meditation and your heart for prayer.

Voluntary

All Glory Be to God on High

(BWV 662)

J. S. Bach

(1685-1750)

Welcome

Please stand as you are able and sing.

Opening Hymn: Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning H 117

Opening Acclamation BCP 299

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Collect of the Day BCP 214

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

60:1-6

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.

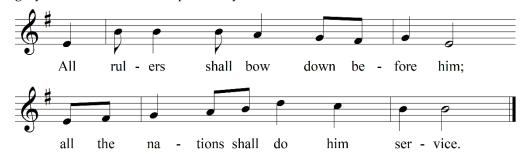
The Collect of the Day "collects" our individual thoughts into unified prayer that we might respond to the lessons we are about to hear. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 72:1-2, 10-14

St. Helena Psalter

Sung by the choir and then repeated by all:



Please join in singing the following verses (congregation and choir together):



Give the king your justice, O God, * and your righteousness to the king's son,

That he may rule your people <u>righteously</u> * and the poor with <u>justice</u>;

Repeat Antiphon

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay <u>tribute</u>, * and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.

For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress * and the oppressed who has no helper.

Repeat Antiphon

He shall have pity on the lowly and <u>poor</u>; * he shall preserve the lives of the <u>needy</u>.

He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, * and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

Repeat Antiphon

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A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians

3:1-12

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.

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Please stand as you are able and sing.

Sequence Hymn: We Three Kings of Orient

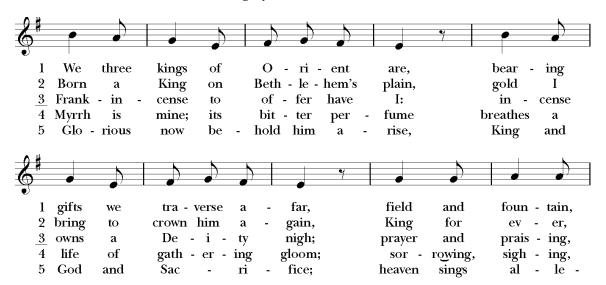
Verse 1 – Sung by all

Verse 2 - King Nathaniel Dorsey, soloist

Verse 3 – King Moss Roberts, soloist

Verse 4 – Queen Ainsley Werner, soloist

Verse 5 – Sung by all





The Holy Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. *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 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. 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.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Reverend Matthew Hanisian

One minute of silence.

Please stand as you are able.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates		BCP 301
Prayers for the Candidates	Please be seated.	BCP 305
Thanksgiving over the Water		BCP 306
The Baptisms		BCP 307
The Baptisms of Madelyn Grace Benson and Quinn Kimberly Ganz		
The Peace	~ ,	BCP 308

that in our worship we are connected to a larger fellowship – the Church – the Body of Christ, on whose heart lies the cares and concerns

of the world.

The Prayers of the People remind us

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

Praise Ye the Lord, Ye Children

Christopher Tye

Praise ye the Lord, ye children: praise ye the Name of the Lord.

Blessed be the Name of the Lord for evermore.

The Lord's Name is praised from the east unto the west.

The Lord is high above all nations: and his glory is above the heavens.

Please stand as you are able and sing.

Hymn at the Presentation

Praise God, from whom all blessing flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia. Praise God above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

Sanctus & Benedictus

HS 130

You are invited to remain standing.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

Fraction

H S 164

H 127

Invitation

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Communion Hymn: Earth Has Many a Noble City

The Presentation reminds us that the gifts we give to God this morning are given in joyful thanksgiving for all the many blessings with which God has showered us in our lives.

The Sanctus. which begins "Holy, holy, holy," is a hymn of remembrance, consecration, and praise where our voices echo the voices of the angels who eternallypraise God with these words. Our worship also includes the Benedictus, "Blessed is the one," a Christological acclamation of the coming of Christ into the world, taken from Matthew's gospel.

The Fraction or breaking of the bread symbolizes the Body of Christ broken on the cross. This ultimate sacrifice of Christ is for us, a moment of both solemnity and joy.

Communion Anthem

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

arr. David Willcocks

Infant holy, infant lowly, for his bed a cattle stall;

Oxen lowing, little knowing Christ the Babe is Lord of all.

Swift are winging angels singing, Nowells ringing, tidings bringing, Christ the Babe is Lord of all.

Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping vigil till the morning new; Saw the glory, heard the story, tidings of a gospel true.

Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, praises voicing, greet the morrow, Christ the babe was born for you!

Polish carol, trans. Edith M. Reed

Post-Communion Prayer

Please stand as you are able.

BCP 365

Blessing

Closing Hymn: What Star is This, With Beams So Bright?

H 124

Dismissal

BCP 366

Voluntary

Toccata (BWV 566) J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Please come forward to listen to the organ voluntary. If you need to leave the sanctuary before the conclusion of the voluntary, please do so quietly so that all may enjoy our musical gift to God.

You are invited to join us for an Epiphany reception in the McClain Room following worship this morning.

The flowers for our worship this morning are given: In loving memory of Oliver and Virginia Champagne and Delano and Mariette Ladd from Marcy and Chip Champagne;

In celebration of the life of Bob Julian by Marj Julian;

In memory of Georganne and Ken Chalmers from the Werner family.

The Dismissal
asserts the
relationship
between
worship and
living. It is
a call to
mission, a call
to live the
baptismal and
Eucharistic life
in the world

Epiphany at Christ Church

Door Chalkings: A New and Ancient Epiphany Tradition January 9 - 21, Parishioners' Homes



Christ Church will revive the ancient practice of blessing the entry door to one's home. This tradition dates to medieval times in Europe and starts the new year with a symbol of blessing and peace. Families are invited to

participate in the short 10-minute service. Schedule to have your door chalked by scanning the QR Code here.



Praying and Singing Our Way Through Worship

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Taizé Service for Epiphany January 14, 5:30 p.m., Sanctuary

During the season of Epiphany, a time when light is a frequent theme, we invite you to enter a world of peace and beauty with us in our candle-filled worship space. You'll be surrounded in quiet succession by readings, prayers, silence, and lovely music. For more information, please contact Richard Clemmitt at relemmitt@christchurchwinnetka.org.



Evensong and Dinner February 4, 5:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Join us for our Youth & Adult Choir's final Evensong in preparation for touring to Boston. Evensong is the most beautiful musical service in our Anglican faith tradition. An informal dinner will be served afterward for those wishing to remain for some fun social time. We'd love to have you with us. For more information, please contact Richard Clemmitt at relemmitt@christchurchwinnetka.org.



Serving In Our Worship Today

8:00 a.m. Service

Ushers: Michael Peregrine, Jenny Keller

Lector: Craig Fowler Intercessor: Craig Fowler

Altar Guild: Anne Taft, Judy Harmon, Charlotte

Robertson, Judy Devlin

Flower Guild: Jane Whitesides, Debbie Ross

Flower Delivery: Debbie Ross

9:30 a.m. Service

Ushers: Julie Flood, Debbie Ross, Andy Lea

Lector: Priscilla Barlow Intercessor: Jenna Maclachlan

Crucifer:

Torches: Andrew McQueen Server: Owen Kramer

Hospitality Team: Barbara Perley, Bill Perley,

Sue Fullerton, Mary Ward

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The Reverend Matthew Hanisian
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The Reverend Rod Quainton
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