

IN THE NAME OF CHRIST, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD, WELCOME to the worship of God in this brilliant Epiphany season. Since ancient times Epiphany (January 6) in the western heritage commemorated the Magi's visit to the Christ child. The name epiphany derives from the ancient practice of a monarch's visit into his/her realm for public conversations with the people. An "epiphany" is more than a 'sighting' or an appearance; and it is more than an audience. It is public interaction with the ruler. The joyous theme of the Epiphany Season is the public interaction of the Light of the world: God revealing himself to us through the public presence of God's own Child. Today we share in the increasing Light as it is revealed through our Lord's baptism. See and rejoice: God himself comes.

The WORSHIP SERVICE at 10:45 a.m.

PREPARATION

Prelude "Andante" from "Concerto for Viola" G. P. Telemann
Moment of Silence

- *Invocation
- *Thanksgiving for Baptism Page 97
- *An Act of Reconciliation: Sharing the Peace Page 106
- ***Hymn 305** "When Jesus Came to Jordan" KING'S LYNN
- *The Greeting Page 147
- *Kyrie Page 147
- *Hymn of Praise "Glory to God" Page 148
- *Prayer of The Day

Pastor: Almighty God,

ALL: you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

GOD'S WORD THROUGH WORDS

Word of Welcome Diane Conneman

First Lesson – Isaiah 43: 1-7

Psalm 29 1-4, 11 (sung responsively)

Ascribe to the ¹ LORD, you gods,
ascribe to the LORD glo- ¹ ry and strength.

²Ascribe to the LORD the glory ¹ due
God's name; worship the LORD in
the beau- ¹ ty of holiness.

³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
the God of ¹ glory thunders; the LORD is upon
the ¹ mighty waters.

⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- ¹ erful
voice; the voice of the LORD is a ¹ voice
of splendor.

¹¹O LORD, give strength ¹ to your people;
give them, O LORD, the bless- ¹ ings of peace.

All: Glory be to the Father and ¹ to the Son
and to the ¹ Holy Spirit. As it was
in ¹ the beginning, is now, and
will be for ¹ ever. Amen.

Second Lesson – Acts 8: 14-17

*Gospel Acclamation Page 151

*The Holy Gospel – Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

Children's Sermon "U R" Pastor Bair

Anthem from "Cantata for Epiphany Sunday"

I. Muntre Gedanken G. P. Telemann
(see bulletin for text and translation)

Sermon "Everyone Who is Called by My Name" Pastor Bair

***Hymn 459** "Wade in the Water" WADE IN THE WATER
Leader parts sung by Angus Godwin

*The Apostles' Creed Page 105

A RESPONSE OF PRAYER, PRAISE AND LIVES

Offering

Offertory from "Cantata for Epiphany Sunday"

II. Ein fremder Wunderstern
III. Angenehme Jesusblicke G. P. Telemann
(see bulletin for text and translation)

*Congregational Offertory **Hymn 186** "Create in Me..."

*Prayer of Intercession Page 152

*The Lord's Prayer Page 154

*The Benediction Page 155

***Hymn 310** "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" SALZBURG

*The Dismissal Page 155

Postlude "Fughetta in F" G. P. Telemann

*Please stand for this part of the liturgy or remain seated as you need.

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THANKS TO tenor Michael Clarkson, flutist Liisa Ambegaokar Grigorov, violinist/violist Jaime Kibelsbeck, and cellist Ruthie Grigorov for offering the Telemann solo cantata for Epiphany during the service today.

WORSHIPPING with this faith community for the first time? Sign the book in the narthex so that we may greet you more personally, and please share in the relaxed after-church time over goodies.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS are available from an usher.

HEARING ASSIST devices are available from the table in the narthex. Each device has an earpiece and volume control.

HANDICAP PARKING. There is a 'Handicap Parking' space on Oak Avenue across from the entrance to St. Luke. There are also four parking spaces behind the Church, and on Sunday mornings these are for the use of our members who have difficulty walking.

NAME TAGS. Thanks for helping us all remember by wearing one. Returning your magnetic tag to the rack in alphabetical order is much appreciated. Magnetic nametags are not recommended for those who have a pacemaker. We will be happy to accommodate you with a paper nametag.

NURSERY CARE is provided for young children during worship in two nurseries, which are on the same level as the sanctuary. Please feel free to use the facilities for your children.

CAMPUS MINISTRY LIST SERVE. To join, send an e-mail: stluke-campusministry-subscribe@yahogroups.com.

2010 ALTAR FLOWER CHART is posted in the narthex. Sign up for the Sunday of your choice, noting both donor and occasion.

FAITH AND CARE sign-up sheets are in the narthex for February volunteer opportunities. How can you help?

ST. LUKE NEWS

Baptism of Our Lord

10 January 2010

CATECHETICS CLASS will meet at 1:00 p.m. today.



TODAY FAITH AND CARE LUNCHEON, after the Worship Service. The lunch will be hosted by the January Faith and Care Team for the February volunteers. If you can't stay for lunch, coffee is also available. Everyone is invited to share!



VESPERS AT ST. LUKE: Tuesday, January 19 at 7:30 p.m. Contemporary choral music by Whitacre, Pärt, and the world premier of "De Profundis" by Michael Clarkson.

PHOTOS NEEDED - We are looking for photos from our St. Luke community for use on our website. If you have nice digital photos of our church, our events and especially our people, please email them to saint.luke.ithaca@gmail.com. Please include names of people in photos if you know them. If you or your children are in the photos, please include permission for use.

NEW HUMANITY NEWSLETTER ARTICLES will be due on Friday, January 29 for the Ash Wednesday edition. If you have something to share, please email your article to Michelle Gray, lluthera@twcny.rr.com.

MONDAY MIDDAY BIBLE BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY meets on Mondays at 12:15 p.m. Join the group for quiet meditation and direction-setting for the coming year. All are welcome. Questions? Contact Susan Hoskins (sbh1@cornell.edu) or Diane Conneman (dyk2@cornell.edu).

MIGHT YOU SERVE AS A SACRISTAN? HAVE A FEW MINUTES to give but at your convenience? Like to help fellow worshippers but quietly "behind the scenes"? Can you change the colorful paraments and fill the altar candles? You may be just the person to become our new sacristan, who gives care to such things among us. Speak to PB or Everett Nelson.

"YOU'LL LAUGH TILL YOUR SIDE DISH HURTS!" Church Basement Ladies at Ithaca's State Theater, Tues., Feb. 9, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. **Tickets** \$32.50/ \$28.50/ \$23.50. A celebration of the church basement kitchen and the women who work there. This musical comedy features their relationships as they organize food and solve the problems of a rural Minnesota church. Funny and down to earth, audiences will recognize these ladies as they witness the church year unfold from below the sanctuary. For ticket info. www.purchase.tickets.com/buy/TicketPurchase?orgid=26827&schedule=list

QUILTING FOR THOSE IN NEED: If you sew, have extra fabric to share or can tie knots, check out how you can help make quilted blankets for distribution by Lutheran World Relief. Details are on flyers in the narthex. Meet with us at 9:30 a.m. on every 1st & 3rd Thurs. in our Adult Ed room.

ARE YOU ACCESSING THE ST. LUKE WEBSITE? [<http://www.stlukeithaca.org>] It includes photos, a calendar of events, documents (from weekly bulletins to the Constitution and By-laws), and improved audio of our morning worship services.

FAITH IN ACTION: DIRECT PRAYER REQUESTS to Louise McGee at 844-4303. A prayer chain of St. Luke folks prays regularly, privately, and confidentially for the parishioners' concerns.

FAITH AND CARE: *USHERS:* Kristina Wight & Debbie Antal; *GREETERS; ASSISTING MINISTER:* Jeff Snedeker; *ACOLYTES:* Peter Hoskins & Mark Dodici; *READERS:* Ruth Grigorov & Nicole Nelson; *COFFEE SERVERS: SET-UP: & CLEAN-UP:* Susan Hoskins; *BAKERS (after church):* Marlys Wilhelm & Angus and Joan Godwin.

NEXT SUNDAY: Epiphany 2, Holy Communion Service, 10:45 a.m.; Lessons: Isaiah 62: 1-5; 1 Corinthians 12: 1-11; John 2: 1-11; Sermons: "Silent" and "For The Common Good"; Hymns: 167, 312, 460, 501.

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TEXT & TRANSLATION FOR THE TELEMANN CANTATA:

I. Muntre Gedanken, fliehet der Wollust gefährliche Schranken, schwingt euch nach Bethlehem zu! Da lacht eure süße Wonne, da strahlt eureFreudensonne, da ruht eurer Seelen Ruh.

I. Cheerful thoughts, flee from the dangerous realms of worldly pleasure, ascend towards Bethlehem! There laughs your sweet delight, there shines your sun of joy, there rests your peace of mind.

II. Ein fremder Wunderstern zeigt itzt der Juden König, unsern Herrn, als der Gerechtigkeit hell aufgegang'ne Sonne; so, daß die frohe Schar der Weisen vom fernen Morgenlande ihn, auch in seiner Kindheit tiefem Stande, mit Sehnsucht, Ehrfurcht, Glauben, Wonne, und zarter egung, ehrerbietig preisen. Wie gern wollt ich, mit loberfülltem Lallen, vor seinen Füßen niederfallen! Dies wäre mir die schönste Lust vor allen.

II. A strange wondrous star now points out the king of the Jews, our Lord, as the brightly risen sun of justice; such that the joyful band of the wise men from the East even in his lowly state of childhood deferentially praise him with longing, awe, faith, delight, and tender emotion. How gladly would I fall to his feet, stammering his praises! This would be the most splendid pleasure of all.

III. Angenehme Jesusblicke! Wenn ich mich an euch erquicke, ist mir mehr als menschlich wohl. Eurer Anmut süße Stärke macht mich, daß ich's lieblich merke, glaubens-, trosts-, und freudenvoll.

III. Pleasant glance of Jesus! When I refresh myself through thee, I feel more than humanly well. The sweet strength of thy graciousness fills me, I delightedly perceive, with faith, comfort, and joy.