EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD (OBSERVED)

JANUARY 8, 2023

CONGREGATION AT PRAYER

Epiphany A Psalm 45:6-8a; antiphon: v. 17

P I will cause your name to be remembered in all generations; therefore nations will praise you forever and ever.

Your throne, O God, is forever and ever. The scepter of your kingdom is a scepter of uprightness; you have loved righteousness and hated wickedness.

Therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions; your robes are all fragrant with myrrh and aloes and cassia.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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CATECHISM

The Third Article—Sanctification

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

LEARN BY HEART Romans 6:4

We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

COLLECT

O God, by the leading of a star You made known Your only-begotten Son to the Gentiles. Lead us, who know You by faith, to enjoy in heaven the fullness of Your divine presence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Is 49:1–7; 1 Cor 1:1–9; Jn 1:29–42a

INVOCATION

INTROIT (front page)

MEDITATION: Portals of Prayer and Catechism

LEARN BY HEART: Bible Verse (front page)

DAILY READINGS:

SU:	1/8	Song of Songs 5:2—6:3	John 6:1–21
M:	1/9	Song of Songs 6:4—7:5	John 6:22-40
T:	1/10	Song of Songs 7:6—8:14	John 6:41–59
W:	1/11	Ecclesiastes 1:1–18 (Esther 1:1—10:3)	John 6:60–71
TH:	1/12	Ecclesiastes 2:1–26	John 7:1–13
F:	1/13	Ecclesiastes 3:1–22	John 7:14-31
SA:	1/14	Ecclesiastes 4:1–16	John 7:32-53

HYMN OF THE MONTH: LSB #395 O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright

APOSTLES' CREED

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

- For the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for the spread of His knowledge throughout the whole world
- Birthdays this upcoming week: Tina; Judy; Wayne; Margaret
- Baptism Birthdays this upcoming week: Wanda; Carol

COLLECT (front page); **LORD'S PRAYER**

BENEDICTION

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.

C Amen