

EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD**JANUARY 4, 2026****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.

C **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.**

P 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.

C **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 First Article

Creation

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

What does this mean?

I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life.

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

This is most certainly true.

LEARN BY HEART*Ecclesiastes 7:1*

A good name is better than precious ointment, and the day of death than the day of birth.

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 42:1–9; Rom 6:1–11; Matt 3:13–17

CONGREGATION AT PRAYER**INVOCATION**

INTROIT (front page)

MEDITATION: *Portals of Prayer* and Catechism

LEARN BY HEART: Bible Verse (front page)

DAILY READINGS:

SU:	1/4	Isaiah 63:15—65:2	Luke 2:41–52
M:	1/5	Isaiah 65:8–25	Luke 3:1–20
T:	1/6	Isaiah 66:1–20	Luke 3:21–38
W:	1/7	Ezekiel 1:1–14, 22–28 (Habakkuk 1:1—3:19)	Romans 1:1–17
TH:	1/8	Ezekiel 2:1—3:11	Romans 1:18–32
F:	1/9	Ezekiel 3:12–27 (4:1—11:25)	Romans 2:1–16
SA:	1/10	Ezekiel 18:1–4, 19–32 (Ezekiel 19:1—24:27)	Romans 2:17–29

HYMN OF THE MONTH: LSB #399 The Star Proclaims the King is Here

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

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

BENEDICTION

P Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

C **Amen**