

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH



*Making known  
by Word and Action  
the Healing Presence of God  
in Christ Jesus with Us  
and with the World.*

Immanuel's Mission



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When we celebrate Holy Communion we are eating and drinking the true body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins. Because the Bible says it is possible for someone to eat and drink to their harm if their understanding of the sacrament is lacking, we ask our visitors to speak with our Pastor before communing here the first time. Ask an usher to help you find our Pastor before the Service, or call during the week.



# Divine Service ~ Setting 1 (adapted)

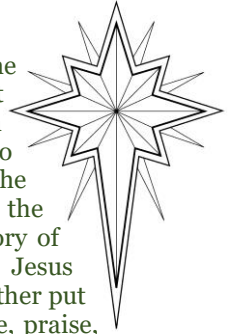
## The Epiphany of Our Lord

### January 6, 2019 – 9:30 am

**WELCOME** to all guests and members; we are glad that you are here to worship with us and hope you will return often as *our friends in Christ!*



The star that once led the Magi to the Christ Child is a type of the light that God has caused to shine so that all of us may know Christ Jesus as Savior and Redeemer. We would not have known Him except that the Lord made the light to shine in our darkness to reveal Jesus Christ to us and to lead our fearful hearts to faith. The star still shines through the light of God's Word and leads us into the presence of Him whom the Father sent to be our Savior. The glory of God is His steadfast love and mercy, which He has revealed in Jesus Christ. In Him we have been bidden, and in Him we come. Like Luther put it in the explanation of the Creed, the faithful response is to serve, praise, thank, and obey the Lord whom God has sent. And by the power of the Holy Spirit, that is exactly what we have come to do today—worship Christ, the Lord of the world.



## PRELUDE AND WELCOME

### OPENING HYMN

*"Brightest and Best of the Stars..."*

**LSB 400**



1 Bright - est and best of the stars of the morn - ing,  
2 Cold on His cra - dle the dew - drops are shin - ing;  
3 Shall we not yield Him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion,  
4 Vain - ly we of - fer each am - ple ob - la - tion,



Dawn on our dark - ness and lend us thine aid;  
Low lies His head with the beasts of the stall;  
Fra - grance of E - dom and of - f'rings di - vine,  
Vain - ly with gifts would His fa - vor se - cure.



Star of the East, the ho - ri - zon a - dorn - ing,  
An - gels a - dore Him in slum - ber re - clin - ing,  
Gems of the moun - tain and pearls of the o - cean,  
Rich - er by far is the heart's ad - o - ra - tion;



Guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.  
Mak - er and Mon - arch and Sav - ior of all.  
Myrrh from the for - est and gold from the mine?  
Dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.



- 5 Brightest and best of the stars of the morning,  
Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;  
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,  
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

*Please stand ...* **INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES**

- P** In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C** Amen.
- P** Arise, shine, for your light has come,  
**C** and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
- P** Great is the steadfast love of the LORD toward us,  
**C** and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.
- P** Nations will come to His light,  
**C** and kings to the brightness of His rising.
- P** The star that guided the Magi to the infant Jesus was the first light to come from the manger.  
**C** It was the Brightest and Best Light—a Light to dispel darkness ...  
a Light to shatter the darkness of sin, our sin!

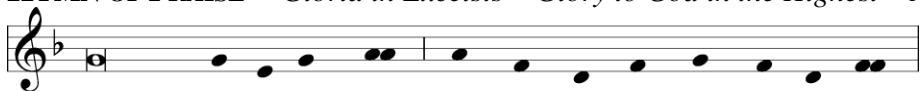
**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination...*

- P** Almighty God, thick darkness covers the whole earth, and the darkness of sin is on us, Your people.  
**C** We confess that we have walked in darkness instead of Your light. In our thoughts, words, and actions, we have turned away from Your face and have broken Your commands.
- P** You alone, O Lord, invite all nations to come to Your light. You beckon those who are broken to find wholeness in the brightness of Your rising.  
**C** Guide us again to the mercy of our Savior Jesus Christ, that He may dispel the darkness of our sin and renew us in the light of Your presence. Amen.
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C** Amen.

**HYMN OF PRAISE** “*Gloria in Excelsis ~ Glory to God in the Highest*” P.154



**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



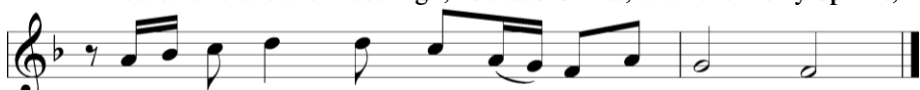
You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT PRAYER**

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

**P** 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. **C** Amen.



*Please be seated...*

## OLD TESTAMENT

## Isaiah 60:1–6

**L** The Old Testament Reading for The Epiphany of Our Lord is from Isaiah, chapter sixty.

<sup>1</sup> *Arise, shine, for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.*

<sup>2</sup> *For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;  
but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will be  
seen upon you.*

<sup>3</sup> *And nations shall come to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your rising.*

<sup>4</sup> *Lift up your eyes all around, and see; they all gather  
together, they come to you;  
your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters  
shall be carried on the hip.*

<sup>5</sup> *Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall*

*thrill and exult,  
because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you,  
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.*

<sup>6</sup> *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 bring good news, the praises of the Lord.*

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## EPISTLE

## Ephesians 3:1–12

**L** The Epistle is from Ephesians, chapter three.

*For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles—  
²assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God’s grace that was given to  
me for you, ³how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have  
written briefly. ⁴When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery  
of Christ, ⁵which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as  
it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit. ⁶This  
mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and  
partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. ⁷Of this gospel I was  
made a minister according to the gift of God’s grace, which was given me by the  
working of his power. ⁸To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this  
grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, ⁹and  
to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in  
God who created all things, ¹⁰so that through the church the manifold wisdom of  
God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly  
places. ¹¹This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ  
Jesus our Lord, ¹²in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through  
our faith in him.*

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.



## SONG “We Three Kings”

1 We three kings of Orient are  
bearing gifts we traverse afar,  
field and fountain, moor and mountain,  
following yonder Star.

Chorus: O... Star of wonder, star of night,  
Star with royal beauty bright,  
Westward leading, still proceeding,  
guide us to Thy perfect light.

2 Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,  
gold I bring to crown Him again,  
King forever, ceasing never over us all to reign.

3 Frankincense to offer have I —  
incense owns a Deity nigh;  
Prayer and praising, all men raising,  
worship Him, God on high. ...

4 Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume  
breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,  
sealed in the stone-cold tomb. ...

5 Glorious now behold Him arise:  
King and God and Sacrifice;  
“Alleluia, alleluia!” sounds through the earth and skies. ...



*Please stand...*

## HOLY GOSPEL

st Matthew 2:1–12

**P** The Holy Gospel according to st Matthew, the second chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.



Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup>saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.” <sup>3</sup>When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; <sup>4</sup>and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. <sup>5</sup>They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: <sup>6</sup> “‘And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.’” <sup>7</sup>Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup>And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come

and worship him.” <sup>9</sup>After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup>When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. <sup>11</sup>And going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. <sup>12</sup>And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

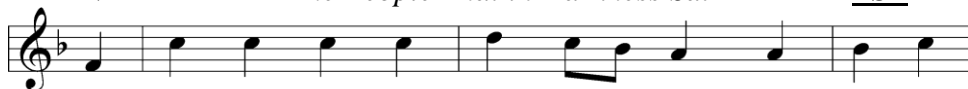
**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Please be seated... then stand for stanza 6*

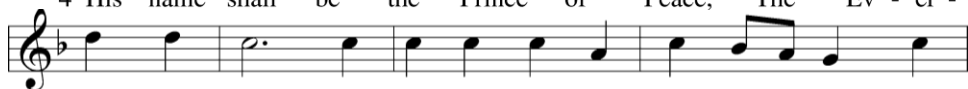
**HYMN**

*“The People That in Darkness Sat”*

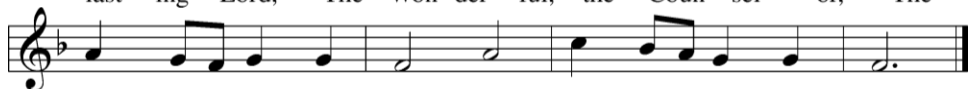
**LSB 412**



1 The peo - ple that in dark - ness sat A glo - rious  
2 To hail Thee, Sun of Righ - teous - ness, The gath - 'ring  
3 To us a Child of hope is born, To us a  
4 His name shall be the Prince of Peace, The Ev - er -



light have seen; The light has shined on them who long In  
na - tions come; They joy as when the reap - ers bear Their  
Son is giv'n, And on His shoul - der ev - er rests All  
last - ing Lord, The Won - der - ful, the Coun - sel - or, The



shades of death have been, In shades of death have been.  
har - vest trea - sures home, Their har - vest trea - sures home.  
pow'r in earth and heav'n, All pow'r in earth and heav'n.  
God by all a - dored, The God by all a - dored.

5 His righteous government and pow'r  
Shall over all extend;  
On judgment and on justice based,  
His reign shall have no end,  
His reign shall have no end.

6 Lord Jesus, reign in us, we pray,  
And make us Thine alone,  
Who with the Father ever art  
And Holy Spirit, one,  
And Holy Spirit, one.

**SERMON** *“Arise! Shine! ... Get up! Listen! Speak! Dispel Darkness!!”*

*Please stand...*

## **CONFESSION OF FAITH**     *The Nicene Creed*

**P** Let us profess our faith together...

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.



## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*(Each petition concludes:*

*"...Lord, in Your mercy:")*

*Congregational response:*

*"hear our prayer!")*

## **SHARING THE PEACE**

*(We greet one another in the Name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation/unity of the Spirit.)*

*Please be seated as music begins...*

## **OFFERING / MUSICAL OFFERING**

*(As the Offering is gathered, please sign the attendance folder near the center aisle and pass to the person sitting next to you.)*





*Please stand...* **OFFERTORY HYMN** “*The First Noel*”

1. *The first Noel the angel did say*

*was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay,  
in fields where they lay keeping their sheep,  
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.*

**Chorus:** *Noel, Noel! Noel, Noel!*

*Born is the King of Israel!*



2. *They looked up and saw a star shining in the east, beyond them far;  
and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night..*

3. *And by the light of that same Star three wise men came from country far;  
to seek for a King was their intent, and to follow the Star wherever it went.*

*Noel, Noel! Noel, Noel! Born is the King of Israel!*

4. *This Star drew nigh to the northwest, o'er Bethlehem it took its rest,  
and there it did both stop and stay right over the place where Jesus lay.*

*Noel, Noel! Noel, Noel! Born is the King of Israel!*

5. *Then entered in those wise men three,*

*full reverently upon their knee,  
and offered there in His presence  
their gold and myrrh and frankincense.*

*Noel, Noel! Noel, Noel!*

*Born is the King of Israel!*



6. *Then let us all with one accord  
sing praises to our heavenly Lord,  
that hath made heaven and earth of naught,  
and with His blood mankind bought.*

*Noel, Noel! Noel, Noel!*

*Born is the King of Israel!*



## THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

### PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

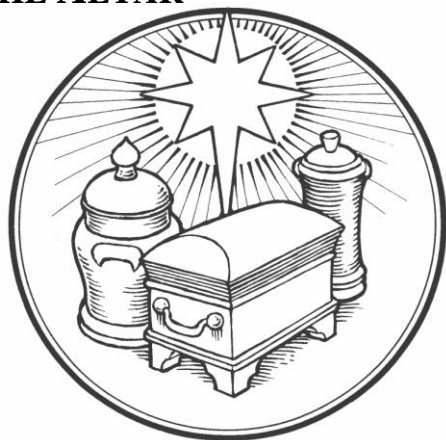


**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

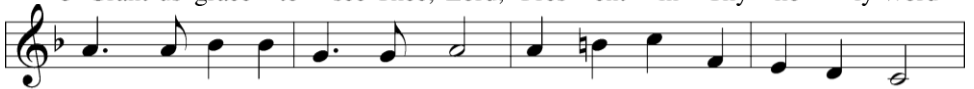
### PROPER PREFACE

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

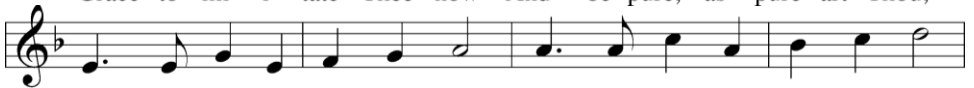
### SANCTUS HYMN “Songs of Thankfulness & Praise” stz. 1, 5 LSB 394



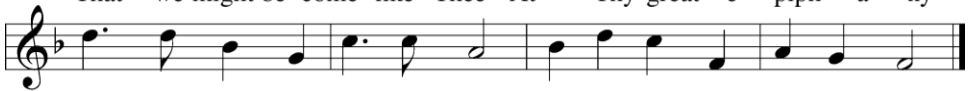
1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,  
5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest - ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,  
Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:  
That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

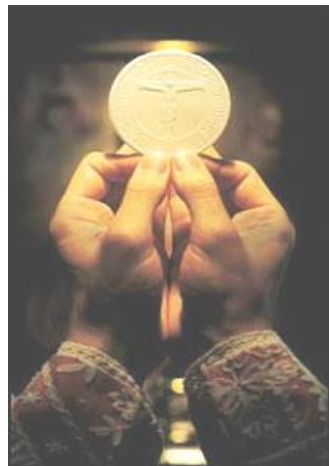
### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name; Thy Kingdom come;  
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil;  
for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: *“Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”* In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: *“Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”*



## THE PEACE



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**G** A - men.

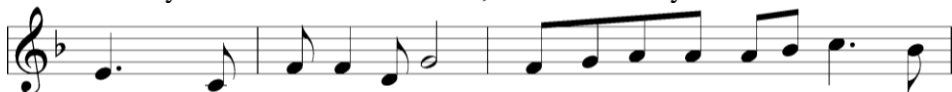
## AGNUS DEI



**G** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

*You may be seated...*

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

*“O Morning Star, How Fair...”* **LSB 395**

*“Arise and Shine in Splendor”* **LSB 396**

**HOTM** *“Let our Gladness Banish...”* **LSB 371**

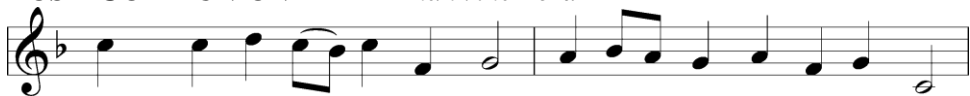
*“The Star Proclaims the King...”* **LSB 399**



*Please stand...*

## POST-COMMUNION

*"Thank the Lord"*



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

## POST-COMMUNION RESPONSES AND COLLECT

**P** Arise, shine, for your light has come,

**C** and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

**P** For the Light of salvation in Christ breaking into the world:

**C** Praise to You who sends the Light!

**P** For the enlightenment of our hearts by faith:

**C** Praise to You who sends the Light!

**P** For the bright gift of eternal life with Christ:

**C** Praise to You who sends the Light!

**P** In Your light, O Lord, do we see Light. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we see clearly Jesus Christ and trust in Him only. Bring us with those of every generation and tongue to make our common confession of faith and to walk together as children of the Light. Bless us with the many gifts of Your grace that we walk in Christ, who is our light and our life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C** Amen.

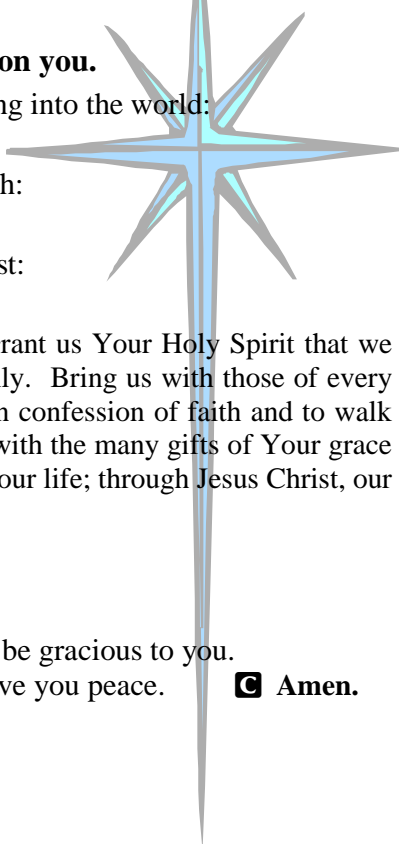
## BENEDICTION

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C** Amen.



**CLOSING HYMN***“As with Gladness Men of Old”***LSB 397**

Historical note on the hymn: William Dix (1837–1898) was sick in bed on Epiphany (1858) while convalescing from a serious illness. He read the Gospel for the day and by evening he had composed “As with Gladness Men of Old” based on that Gospel.



1 As with glad-ness men of old Did the guid-ing star be-hold;  
2 As with joy-ful steps they sped, Sav-ior, to Thy low-ly bed,  
3 As they of-fered gifts most rare At Thy cra-dle, rude and bare,  
4 Ho-ly Je-sus, ev-'ry day Keep us in the nar-row way;  
5 In the heav'n-ly coun-try bright Need they no cre-at-ed light;



As with joy they hailed its light, Lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright;  
There to bend the knee be-fore Thee, whom heav'n and earth a-dore;  
So may we with ho-ly joy, Pure and free from sin's al-loy,  
And when earth-ly things are past, Bring our ran-somed souls at last  
Thou its light, its joy, its crown, Thou its sun which goes not down;



So, most gra-cious Lord, may we Ev-er-more be led by Thee.  
So may we with will-ing feet Ev-er seek Thy mer-cy seat.  
All our cost-liest trea-sures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heav'n-ly King.  
Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glo-ry hide.  
There for-ev-er may we sing Al-le-lu-ias to our King.

**POSTLUDE**





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