

# Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

## The Epiphany of our Lord

January 6, 2024

5:00 p.m.

*Jesus Christ Is the Light of the World!* “Remember, Lord of life and grace, how once, to save our fallen race, You put our human vesture on and came to us as Mary’s son. Alleluia! Today, as year by year its light bathes all the world in radiance bright, one precious truth outshines the sun: Salvation comes from You alone. Alleluia! (Ancient Latin Text)

Welcome to the Divine Service. Guests desiring to commune are asked to speak to the Pastor before approaching the altar. For the spiritual care and welfare of all we practice closed communion. Guests, please sign our guest register in the narthex.

### Divine Service Setting Two Lutheran Service Book p. 167

*Please follow the order of service printed in the hymnal beginning on page 167. The propers for the day (readings, hymns) are listed below.*

#### Hymn of Invocation 810

“O God of God, O Light of Light”

#### Introit *sung by the choir.*

*Antiphon* *(liturgical text)*  
Behold the Lord, the Ruler hath come,  
and the kingdom and the power and the glory are in His hand.

*Psalm* *(Ps. 72:1-2, 10-22)*  
Give the king Thy judgments, O God,  
and Thy righteousness unto the King’s Son!

Glory be to the Father and the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

*(antiphon is repeated)*

#### Old Testament Reading Isaiah 60:1-6

The Light of the Gospel of Christ shall shine.

#### Choral Response

“Rise, O Light of Gentile Nations” arr. Keith L. Vieregge

Rise, O Light of Gentile nations, Jesus, bright and Morning Star;  
Let Your Word, the gladsome tidings, ring out loudly near and far,  
Bringing freedom to the captives, peace and comfort to the slave,  
That the heathen, free from bondage, may proclaim Your power to save.

Knowing You and Your salvation, grateful love dare never cease  
To proclaim Your tender mercies, gracious Lord, Your heav’nly peace.  
Let us sound the gospel tidings to the earth’s remotest bound  
That the sinner has been pardoned and forgiveness can be found.

Savior, shine in all Your glory on the nations near and far;  
From the highways and the byways call them forth, O Morning Star.  
Guide them whom Your grace has chosen out of Satan’s dreadful thrall  
To the mansions of your Father there is room for sinners all.

#### Epistle Ephesians 3:1-12

The mystery of God’s grace in Christ is revealed.

#### Alleluia-Verse *sung by the choir*

All they from Sheba shall come;  
they shall bring gold and incense,  
and they shall show forth the praises of the Lord.  
Arise, shine, O Jerusalem,  
for the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. Alleluia!  
We have seen His star in the East  
and are come with gifts to worship the Lord. Alleluia!

#### Holy Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

The Magi are led by the star.

#### Hymn of the Day 403

“O Savior of Our Fallen Race”  
*Stanzas 2 and 4 sung by the choir*

#### Offertory Hymn 397

“As with Gladness Men of Old”

#### Distribution Hymns

“O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright” 395  
“What Child Is This” 370  
“The Star Proclaims the King Is Here” 399

#### Hymn to Depart 390

“Let Us All with Gladsome Voice”