

St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

Bonduel, Wisconsin

January 5/8, 2023

The Epiphany of Our Lord



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Salutation and Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

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.

Amen.

Old Testament Reading — Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. ²For 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. ³And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. ⁴Lift 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. ⁵Then 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. ⁶A 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.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading — Ephesians 3:1-12

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.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter.

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, ²saying, “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.” ³When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

⁶“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.” ⁷Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. ⁸And 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.” ⁹After 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. ¹⁰When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. ¹¹And 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. ¹²And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed *(inside back cover of hymnal)*

Hymn **394** *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise*

Sermon **“They Needed it to be Revealed”** *Matthew 2:1–12*

Offering *(Please fill in the friendship register found on the end of each pew.)*

Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn **409** *Hail, O Source of Every Blessing*



Serving the Lord in Worship

Pastors	Rev. Timothy J. Shoup	Rev. Mark R. Palmer	
Pianist	Mrs. Debbie Welch		
Acolyte	Trevor Bohn	Madelyn Schroeder	Sophia Baciak

Prayers

In Need of Healing . . . *Jon Baker, Walter Blajeski, Sandy Ebert, Brianna Hancock, Gregory Kopitske, Jr., Stephanie Krause, Judy Manthei, Sue Nohr, Dalton Schmidt, Joe Schmidt, Tim Schultz, Kelly Sell, Stanley Sporisky, Jerry Steif, Tracy Sundstrom, Gene Tessmann, Mark Welch, and Cindy Wiseman.*



We Pray For . . . the family of *Kevin Shilts*, who went to his eternal rest on Saturday, December 31, 2022, and was given Christian burial at St. Paul on Thursday, January 5, 2023.

Baptism . . . *Brexlee Rae Carey*, daughter of Michael and Samantha Carey, was born on September 25, 2022. She will be baptized during our 10:15am service this weekend. Her sponsors are Emily Hanke and Steve Yaeger.

Announcements

Lutherans for Life Signature Ad in the Market Messenger . . . Sign up in the narthex after all services through **today**, Sunday, January 8. A donation of \$3 per name is suggested.

Adult Bible Study . . . will begin on January 8 between services on the Gospel of Matthew.

Tuesday Morning Bible Class . . . Join us each Tuesday from 7:00am–8:00am beginning January 10. We are turning to Amos, an Old Testament prophet who delivers a message for God's people today.

Amicos SPYRT Fundraiser . . . Every 2nd Tuesday of the month, Amicos in Bonduel will donate 25% of the days sales to our SPYRT youth group. Support our youth and support a local business, beginning January 10th.

Annual Voters' Meeting . . . The annual voters' meeting will be held on Sunday, January 29th at 11:30 am in the fellowship hall.

Attended/Communed—December 29, 2022/January 1, 2023

Thursday	12/29	7:00pm	86/ 65
Sunday	1/1	8:00am	147/126
Sunday	1/1	10:15am	<u>100/ 76</u>
		Total	333/267
		Livestream Views	122

Bells and Choir Rehearsals . . . will resume January 18. Bells will be at 6:00pm, followed by choir at 7:05pm.

Missing Some Dishes? . . . Several bowls, storage containers and platters have been left in the church kitchen after events. Is one (or more) of them yours? Please check out the table in the fellowship hall.

The Lutheran Hour . . . "Gifts to Share" (Colossians 1:29)

A body of water becomes stagnant when there is no outflow. The same could be said of us. Tune in next Sunday at 7:30am to hear Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler on WTCH/960 AM, WRVM/102.7 FM at 10:00am, or go to www.lutheranhour.org.

Rummage Sale . . . Faith United Lutheran Church, 11465 Old U Road, Gillett, will be having a rummage sale on January 19 and 20, 8:00am–4:00pm, and on Saturday, January 21, 8:00am–noon. On Saturday, there will be a half-price sale, and a bag of clothes will be priced at just \$1.00. Proceeds will benefit the Faith United Building Fun. This event is sponsored by Thrivent Action Team.

Wolf River Lutheran High School Campaign . . . has started its fourth annual campaign entitled, *If Not You, Then Who?* It's a great question to ask ourselves. It's so easy to say, "Let someone else support the school. Why me?" The answer is because it's your school and God's mission field. Prayerfully consider supporting your school with a donation from the heart. Help your school grow to become what God wanted, a mission field in our own backyard. Some of you have received a letter in the mail already, and those that haven't we have the campaign letter in the narthex for you. Pick one up and help us achieve the great commission from Matthew 28:19, "Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit." If you have any questions, call/text Joan at 715-851-2741. Together we can achieve great things. Answer the question, "If not you, then who?" with, let it be ME!

A Word from Your Wolf River Principal . . . I pray you all had a great Christmas. It doesn't seem possible that 2023 is here. With the start of the new year, our enrollment opens for the next school year. This is an exciting time for Wolf River. We hosted all 8th-grade students from the four Lutheran schools on Wednesday. There were 67 students present! It was an amazing time! As always, my goal is that each of our grade schools becomes a feeder school for Wolf River! I believe that together we can do great things for God's children! May each of you have a blessed week as you celebrate the new year! *Mrs. Kosmerchock*

WRLHS Registration Fair . . . will be held on January 23, 4:00pm-6:00pm for all 8th grade or new students and families. Make plans to attend. Families are invited to attend the home boys' basketball game as our guests.

ACOLYTE SCHEDULE NEXT WEEK

Jan. 12 Rilynn Marohl
Jan. 15 Lexie Rank Hadley Hillsberg

SCRIP SCHEDULE NEXT WEEK

Jan. 12 Sheila Bahr
Jan. 15 Patti Rosin Peggy Buchholz

EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

- Sunday 1/8** 8:00am Worship
9:00am Fellowship (Parish Fellowship #1)
9:00am Bible Study
9:00am Bible Bowl Practice
10:15am Worship
- Monday 1/9** 7:30am Strong Bodies
7:30pm Dartball
- Tuesday 1/10** *SPYRT Amicos Fundraiser*
7:00am Bible Class
8:00am Quilting
6:30pm Church Council
- Wednesday 1/11** 8:15am Chapel
4:00pm–5:00pm Food Pantry
5:30pm Gr. 7 & 8 Public School Confirmation
6:00pm Gr. 5 & 6 Public School Confirmation
6:30pm SPYRT Feed the Flock Bible Study
NO Bells or Choir (resume next week)
- Thursday 1/12** 5:30pm Board of Parish Education
7:00pm Worship — Holy Communion
- Friday 1/13** 7:30am Strong Bodies
- Saturday 1/14** 2:00pm Welcing-Mathew Wedding
- Sunday 1/15** 8:00am Worship — Holy Communion
9:00am Fellowship (Altar Guild)
9:00am Bible Bowl Practice
9:00am Bible Study
10:15am Worship — Holy Communion



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