

SAINT MARK'S

EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

Minneapolis



◆ The Feast of the Epiphany

January 6th, 2025 | 7:30pm Choral Eucharist

Tonight we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany. Epiphany marks the visit of the Magi, or “Wise people” to Jesus' and his beloved Mother Mary and Joseph. Similar to the Passover traditions based on the writings from Exodus when the Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, put lamb blood on your doors - we are all invited to Bless our homes for the coming year.

A tradition called “Chalking the doors” is a way to celebrate and physically mark our lives and homes acknowledging that Christ dwells within. God is Blessing our lives with our comings and goings. The Presider Blessed the chalk for our use on the Eve of Epiphany (yesterday/Sunday morning) with this Blessing:

Loving God, bless this chalk, that it may be helpful to your people; and grant that through the invocation of your most Holy Name - all who use it in faith to write upon the doors of their homes the names of your saints, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar, may they remember in their hearts as their go about their days; the Blessings of Christ our Lord. Amen.

Chalking the door, while it might look like scribbles at first glance on someone else's door, there is a logical symbolism behind each mark. **C, M, and B** have two meanings:

-The letters abbreviate the Latin words *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, meaning “May Christ bless the house.”

-They also represent the initials of the traditional names of the three Magi: **Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar.**

While these are probably not actually the names of the magi (especially since we don't know the exact number of magi or their names!), these names have been commonly used since 500AD. The numbers on either side represent the year - hence 20+C+M+B+25

With time the chalk will fade. As it does, we let the meaning of the written symbols sink into the depths of our hearts and be manifest in our words and actions. Please take home a piece of chalk, mark the lintel (The horizontal structure of the entrance to your house, apartment, tent, room etc) as follows:

20 + C + M + B + 25

Saying: The Three Wise ones, Caspar, Malchior and Balthazar followed the star to Gods Son, who became human SO MANY YEARS AGO. May Christ bless this home and remain with us throughout the year

Welcome

THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn 119: As with gladness men of old

Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria in excelsis Deo (*Sung by the choir*)

Herbert Sumson

Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

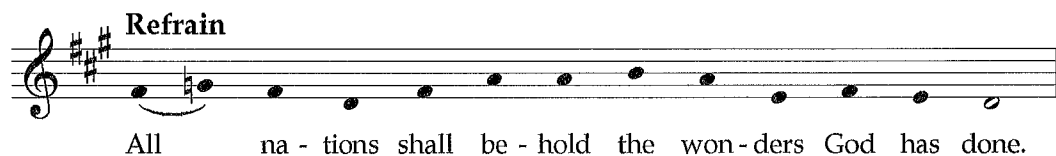
Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. 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 proclaim the praise of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14 (*congregation sings the refrain*)



Give the King your justice, O God: and your righteousness to the King's Son;
 That he may rule your people righteously: and the poor with justice;
 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people: and the little hills bring righteousness.

Refrain

He shall defend the needy among the people: he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure: from one generation to another.

Refrain

He shall come down like rain upon a mown field: like showers that water the earth.
 In his time shall the righteous flourish: there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

Refrain

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute: and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.
 All kings shall bow down before him: and all the nations do him service.

Refrain

For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress: and the oppressed who has no helper.
 He shall have pity on the lowly and poor: he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence: and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

Refrain

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by

the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 127: Earth has many a noble city

The Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'" Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Siri Hauge Hustad

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Following each intercession:

We pray to you, O Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

The Presider concludes with the following:

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: mercifully accept the prayers of your people and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Please be seated.

The Holy Communion

All are welcome and encouraged to support Saint Mark's financially as an expression of gratitude for God's generosity. Your gift in this offering, or through a pledge commitment, automatic transfer or online, sustains and enriches our prayer, learning and community service. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Offertory Anthem: The Three Kings

Peter Cornelius

Three kings from Persian lands afar to Jordan follow the pointing star:
And this the quest of the travelers three, where the new-born king of the Jews may be.
Full royal gifts they bear for the King: gold, incense, myrrh are their offering.

The star shines out with a steadfast ray: the kings to Bethlehem make their way,
And there in worship they bend the knee, as Mary's child in her lap they see;
Their royal gifts they show to the King: gold, incense, myrrh are their offering.

Thou child of man, lo, to Bethlehem the kings are traveling, travel with them!
The star of mercy, the star of grace, shall lead thy heart to its resting place.
Gold, incense, myrrh thou canst not bring; offer thy heart to the infant King.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God our thanks and praise.

Sanctus & Benedictus (*sung by the choir*)

Herbert Sumsion

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer

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, for ever and ever. Amen

The Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei (sung by the choir)

Herbert Sumsion

- Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
- Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
- Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion of the People

All seeking God are welcome at Christ's table.

- *To receive communion with us, please receive the Bread in your open hands.*
 - *Gluten Free is available at the station on the left (closer to the lectern, not on the seal); To receive the wine, assist the Chalice Bearer by using your hand to guide the base of the Chalice. If you wish to receive the wine by intinction (dipping the wafer), please do so.*
 - *To receive a blessing only, cross your arms over your chest as you come forward. Those wishing/ needing to receive communion at their seated location may request seated communion by speaking with an usher.*
 - *You are also invited to receive prayers and the laying on of hands at the Enmegabbowh prayer station, located in the back of the church. You are always welcome to light a candle and pray on your own in this area as well.*
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Anthem at Communion: Bethlehem Down

Peter Warlock

'When he is King we will give him the King's gifts,
Myrrh for its sweetness, and gold for a crown,
Beautiful robes,' said the young girl to Joseph,
Fair with her first-born on Bethlehem Down.

Bethlehem Down is full of the starlight -
Winds for the spices, and stars for the gold,
Mary for sleep, said for lullaby music
Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold.

When he is King they will clothe him in grave-sheets,
Myrrh for embalming, and wood for a crown,
He that lies now in the white arms of Mary,
Sleeping so lightly on Bethlehem Down.

Here he has peace and a short while for dreaming,
Close huddled oxen to keep him from cold,
Mary for love, and for lullaby music
Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold.

Hymns at Communion

112: In the bleak midwinter
321: My God, thy table now is spread

Sending Eucharistic Visitors

In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these Holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.
We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup.

All who are able will please stand or kneel.

Postcommunion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn 124: What star is this with beams so bright

The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern BWV739

J.S. Bach



JANUARY 2025

SAINT MARK'S EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

THE CALL TO SERVE

To know and love God and others is at the core of our faith, and our community. We also know that the rhythms of our day-to-day lives can be demanding. Please use this monthly calendar to keep up to date with your cathedral – for Sundays and days in-between Sundays. Note that the list is not all-inclusive; much more information about these and other events may be found on the website calendar at www.ourcathedral.org/events.

Highlights

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| 1/1, Wednesday | New Year's Day, Cathedral is closed |
| 1/4, Saturday | Climate Justice meeting, 10:00 am, all are invited |
| 1/5, Sunday | Fellowship in Community room, throughout the morning |
| 1/6, Monday | Feast of the Epiphany Choral Eucharist, 7:30 pm |
| 1/9, Thursday | Women's Group, 6:00 pm, all are invited |
| 1/12, Sunday | Forum: Climate Justice, 9:15 am, Banquet room |
| 1/12, Sunday | Newcomers Gathering, 12:00 pm, Heritage room |
| 1/12, Sunday | Sunday Night Supper, 4:00 pm @ Plymouth Congregational Church |
| 1/14, Tuesday | SAAGES: Book discussion - <i>Ordinary Grace</i> by William Kent Krueger, 10:00 am |
| 1/15, Wednesday | Winter Round Table #1, 6:00 pm, Community room, registration online |
| 1/19, Sunday | Forum: Vestry led, 9:15 am, Banquet room |
| 1/19, Sunday | Reception for featured artist Ryan Tisher, 12:00 pm, Art Gallery |
| 1/19, Sunday | Music Series Concert: Red Thread, a folk ensemble, 2:30 pm – free admission |
| 1/20, Monday | Martin Luther King Jr, holiday, Cathedral is closed |
| 1/22, Wednesday | Winter Round Table #2, 6:00 pm, Community room, registration online |
| 1/23, Thursday | Sound Journey Meditation with Annie Fitzgerald, 6:00 pm, registration required |
| 1/25, Saturday | Men's Ministry, 9:00 am, Library, all are welcome |
| 1/26, Sunday | Annual meeting day. One morning service @ 10:00 am. Meeting @ 11:00 am. Lunch following. |
| 1/29, Wednesday | Winter Round Table #3, 6:00 pm, Community room, registration online |
| January | Art Gallery: "I Wonder as I Wander", photography of Ryan Tischer |
| January | Choral Society rehearsals resume, new members welcome; contact Raymond Johnston for information |

January 2025

Every Sunday

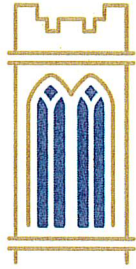
- Fellowship, in the Community room 9 am – 12:30 pm, with refreshments
- Cathedral Bookshop, on the first level 9 am – 12:30 pm
- Formation for youth, ages 12 – 18, 9:15 am
- Formation for adults, 9:15 am
- Nursery care for ages 1 – 5 years, 9:15-12pm
- Children’s Worship during 10:30 worship (begins approx. 10:45)
- Docent-led tours of the Nave (worship space) at the conclusion of 10:30 worship
- On the second level, visit the Library, Heritage Room and Art Gallery

Weekly Worship

- Sunday: 8:00 am and 10:30 am Holy Eucharist
- Sunday: 5:00 pm Choral Evensong
- Wednesday: 12:15 Holy Eucharist
- Thursday: 9:00 am Contemplative Prayer
- Saturday: 5:30 pm, Santa Misa; contact: The Rev Neptali Rodriguez, padreneptali@gmail.com

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