

# Church of the Good Shepherd

*The Feast of the Epiphany*

January 6, 2019 – 7:30 am & 9:30 am

“Because of the mystery of the Word made flesh, you caused a new light to shine in our hearts. Help us to be a light of peace to the world.” (Preface for Epiphany)

**Your prayers requested** for the spread of the Gospel to all the world. For all our troops in active service, especially Ross Richards, Jonathan Velishka and Sam Gillespie, Special Forces. For those on our Wednesday Healing Prayer List, especially Victor, John, John S., Becky, Xavier, Chris, Dot, Michael, Andy, Grant, Pamela, Joann, Larry, Carissa, Joan, Jimmy, Maggie, Brenda, Steve, Ray, Mary, Phil, Annette, Richard, Zeld, the Wetherill family, Robbie, Leona, Brad.

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## Celebrations:

1/9 Margaret & Chip Liversidge, Ana & Ben Wetherill;  
1/12 Anna Ross; 1/13 Harry Clark, Jr.

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Thrift Shoppe hours: Fri & Sat—8 am—1 pm.

Sunday: 11:15 am—Choir Rehearsal  
Tuesday: 10:00 am—Food Pantry  
1:00 pm—Food Pantry Board Meeting  
7:00 pm—AA Meeting  
Wednesday: 9:30 am—Morning Prayer & Healing  
Litany  
5:30pm— Soup & Study  
Thursday: 9am-2pm—HELP Winter Senior Social  
9:00 am—Daughters of the King  
5:30 pm—Vestry

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Sunday, December 23, 2018  
Pledges—\$733 Plate—\$535

Page numbers = Red Book of Common Prayer; Hymn numbers = Blue Hymnal

*The 7:30 am service will be Morning Prayer: Rite One,  
beginning on page 38 of the Book of Common Prayer*

## Daily Morning Prayer: Rite Two

Prelude *Fantasia on “How Brightly Shines,”* Buxtehude  
Processional Hymn 117 *Brightest and Best of the Stars*  
Opening Sentences p 76  
Confession of Sin p 79  
Versicles p 80  
Venite Music Insert  
Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 *(Sung at 9:30 service)* p 685  
*At the end of the Psalm all sing or say*  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.  
Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 60:1-6  
The Third Song of Isaiah Music Insert  
New Testament Lesson: Ephesians 3:1-12  
The Song of Simeon Music Insert  
New Testament Lesson: Matthew 2:1-12  
The Apostles’ Creed p 96  
The Prayers p 97  
The Lord’s Prayer p 97  
Suffrages A p 97  
The Collect of the Day, The Epiphany p 214  
A Collect for Sundays p 98  
A Collect for Peace p 99  
Prayer for Mission p 100  
Hymn 119 *As With Gladness*  
*We greet each other in the Name of the Lord.*  
Announcements  
Offering *Three Kings of Orient,* Te Velde  
Doxology Hymn 380 (s. 3)  
Intercessions for the Christian People  
Response: **Hear our prayer.**  
The General Thanksgiving p 101  
The Grace p 101  
Hymn 128 *We Three Kings*  
Postlude *Epilogue on “As With Gladness,”* Harris

## The Collect

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.*

## Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 60:1-6

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.

## New Testament Lesson Ephesians 3:1-12

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.

## New Testament Lesson The Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

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.