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WELCOME

In the name of our Risen Lord Jesus Christ, may you find within these doors rest of soul, peace of heart and strength to walk with God all the days of your life.

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

January 6th, 2023 **7 pm**

PASTOR:	Reverend Paul Williams
ASSISTING ELDERS:	Ron Stresman & Keith Wright
ORGANIST:	Mrs. Kim Blais
MONEY COUNTERS:	Brad Biesenthal, W&J Nagora, Doreen Bailey
ALTAR GUILD:	Nancy Dunn, Kim Blais, Marilyn Pappin

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Holy Communion "is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the bread and wine, for us Christians to eat and to drink, instituted by Christ Himself." (Luther's Small Catechism) All who partake of this Sacrament are united to the crucified and glorified body and blood of Christ (1 Cor. 10:16) and, therefore, must also be united to one another in doctrine (Acts 2:42). Out of love for those who are not united to us in the Faith, we follow the biblical practice of "Closed Communion". If you are not a member in good standing of a congregation of the Lutheran Church—Canada, her sister Synods or have met with the Pastor or Elders, we respectfully ask you to refrain from partaking of the Sacrament. We thank you for respecting our Scriptural position and practises.

OUR WORSHIP THIS EVENING:

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First Hymn:	Hail, O Source of Every Blessing	#409
Hymn of the Day:	O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright	#395
Communion Hymn:	Arise and Shine in Splendor	#396
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Closing Hymn:	As with Gladness Men of Old	#397
Lessons:	Psalm 72:1-15; Is. 60:1-6; Eph. 3:1-12; Matt. 2:1-12	

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THE MEANING OF OUR EPIPHANY BANNER

The season of Epiphany is the time when we move from the birth of Christ to the proclamation of the Good News of great joy to all people. The crown symbolizes Christ leaving the throne of heaven to become a shepherd to the flock of humankind, represented by the shepherd's crook. This takes us back to the time of Christ's birth and reminds us of the travellers responding to the call to *"go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened"*. Today we celebrate the season of Epiphany as we respond to the call to *"go and tell"*.