

Isaiah 60:1-6

¹Arise, 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.

Ephesians 3:1-12

¹For 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.

Matthew 2:1-12

¹Now 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.

The Epiphany of our Lord



Joy Lutheran is here to welcome all people, celebrate Christ Jesus as Lord and Savior, nourish spiritual growth for all and serve human needs in every way.

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE
Traditional Service 8 a.m.
Sunday School & Bible Class 9:15 a.m.
Contemporary Service 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Joy Lutheran Church. If you are visiting us today, please sign our lobby guest book and fill out a white Visitor Information card in the pew. If you have a prayer request, please use the reverse side of the Visitor Information card and hand it to an usher or put it in the offering plate.

Communion Joy Lutheran Church celebrates Holy Communion at each regular worship service. This is a special meal that celebrates our unity of faith in Jesus who is our Lord and Savior. In this meal, Jesus gives us His body and blood, in, with and under the bread and the wine to forgive our sins and to strengthen our faith. Confessing this oneness of faith, we invite you to share in this special meal.

Children in Worship We encourage children to participate in worship services. We have children's bulletins and activity bags available for small children.

January 6, 2019



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OFFERING ENVELOPES Please take your offering envelopes if you haven't done so. They will be stored in the office after today.

WOMEN OF JOY MEETING This Tuesday, 9:30 a.m.

LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING This Tuesday, 7 p.m. There may be another meeting next Tuesday, January 15, if needed.

ELDERS MEETING This **Thursday**, January 10, 7 p.m.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY There will be a Women's Bible Study beginning this Friday, January 11, at 9:30 a.m. in the basement of the church. It is a 5 week session. The topic will be "Making the Most of Your Christian Life". It will be led by Pat Jaeger.

JOY VOLUNTEERS will be working at Shalom Shop this Saturday (the 2nd Saturday of the month), January 12, Noon—3 p.m. To volunteer, contact Marilyn Benting, 763-689-3898.

PASTOR DANIEL will be at a PALS Conference starting after church next Sunday through next Tuesday, January 15.

POINSETTIAS may be taken home. Any plants left after next Sunday will be thrown away.

COMPUTER CLASSES in the church basement with Dave Larson will start next month. Most of them are scheduled on Thursdays, 10 a.m.—1 p.m., but a two-part Microsoft Excel class is scheduled for **Thursday and Friday, April 25 & 26**, 10 a.m.—1 p.m. Please check with Denice before you plan to use the church basement.

THE LUTHERAN WITNESS for January is in the narthex. Theme: Light for All Nations. Some articles are "Lutheran and Unashamed", "Let's Be Who We Are", "Evangelism: Learning to Witness from the Apostles' Creed".

MOVING BOXES AND BUBBLE WRAP Phyllis Koosman has moving boxes (purchased from a moving company) and bubble wrap available. Please call Phyllis, 763-689-3671, if you or someone you know could use any of it.



ANNUAL VOTERS' MEETING
Sunday, January 27
One Worship Service 9 a.m.
 Meeting will be after the service

Check future bulletins if there will be a potluck after the meeting.

Please have your 2018 team reports to Denice by Tuesday, January 22. Thank you!

JANUARY 6—JANUARY 13, 2019

Today	Traditional Service	8 AM
	Fellowship between services	
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class	9:15 AM
	Contemporary Service	10:30 AM
Tuesday	<i>Women of Joy Meeting</i>	9:30 AM
	Volunteers at Shalom	12:30—4 PM
	Leadership Team Meeting	7 PM
Wednesday	Choir	6 PM
	Confirmation	7 PM
	Band	7 PM
Thursday	Elders Meeting	7 PM
Friday	Women' Bible Study	9:30 AM
Saturday	Men's Bible Study	8 AM
	Volunteers at Shalom	Noon—3 PM
Sunday, January 13	Traditional Service	8 AM
	Fellowship between services	
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class	9:15 AM
	Contemporary Service	10:30 AM

Refreshments:
Next Sunday, January 13:

Assisting in Worship

Service	Reader	Sound/PowerPoint	Ushers
Today 8 a.m.	Konnie O'Neil	Ministry opportunity	Joan Burke and Konnie O'Neil
Today 10:30 a.m.	Sandy Wing	Ministry opportunity	Mike Spanier
Next Sunday 8 a.m. January 13	<i>Pat Jaeger</i>	Ministry opportunity	<i>Gordon Cell</i>
Next Sunday 10:30 a.m. January 13	<i>Mark Krueger</i>	Ministry opportunity	<i>Sarah and Vicki Larson</i>

TELEPHONE PRAYER CHAIN CONTACT: Marlys Moline, 763-689-3884.
If Marlys is unavailable, please call the church office—763-689-4355.

In our prayers we remember: the family of Jack Peterson; Don Westerberg; Larry Boettcher; Sheri Lundeen; Marlys Moline; Elaine Kriesel

Keep these military personnel and their families in your prayers: Eric Bjorklund; Marcus Bjorklund; Pat & Tricia Cassidy; Kent & Jen Reichle