

Peace Ev. Lutheran Church

Central Avenue at 171st Place
Oak Forest, Illinois 60452
Rev. David T. Mensing, Pastor

The Epiphany of Our Lord

January 6, 2019

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Hymn 126: "Arise and Shine in Splendor!"

Opening Liturgy – Order of Service, Hymnal, p. 15ff.

Epistle Lesson: Isaiah 60:1-6

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 2:1-12

The Nicene Creed (Hymnal, p. 22)

Hymn 129: "Hail, Thou Source of Every Blessing!"

The Sermon: Standard Gospel Text: Matthew 2:1-12

Theme: The Guiding Star of God's Holy Word

I. Our need to follow it ourselves;

II. Our obligation to share its light also with others.

The Offering "to prove the sincerity of your love." (II Corinthians 8:8)

The General Prayer and Prayer for our Communicants

Hymn 130: "O Jesus, King of Glory!"

Communion Liturgy – Hymnal, p. 24ff. (Note that we observe the Scriptural practice of Close Communion. Please see the back cover regarding this.)

Hymn 308: "Invited, Lord, by Boundless Grace"

(To be sung during the distribution of the Sacrament)

The Benediction of the Lord Congregation: "Amen, Amen, Amen!"

Announcements for the Week

For spiritual care during the week, particularly in case of serious illness or urgency, please call Pastor Mensing, either at his **study**, (708) 532-4288, or at **home** at the parsonage, (708) 532-9035, or on his **cell phone**, (708) 601-3943.

VISITORS are always welcome to attend our services. Please register in our Guest Book, and leave also your address and telephone number if you would like to have our Pastor contact you further. And please come again!

TODAY, January 6th 2:30 p.m., **Sunday School Teachers' Training Class**

Our Pastor's Schedule this week:

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. are normally the Pastor's regular "**Office Hours.**" Unless he is running an errand, attending a meeting elsewhere, making a pastoral call at a hospital or nursing home, or is at lunch, he will normally be "on site." However, if you need to see him in person, it always pays to call first.

In addition...

Monday, January 7th 4:00 p.m., **Confirmation Class** (Aaron & Jonah)

6:00 p.m., **Confirmation Class** (Nathan)

7:00 p.m., **Confirmation Class** (Samuel)

Tuesday, January 8th No classes or meetings scheduled

Wednesday, January 9th No classes or meetings scheduled

Thursday, January 10th 11:00 a.m., **Confirmation Class** (Nathan)

12:00 noon, **Confirmation Class** (Samuel)

4:00 p.m., **Confirmation Class** (Aaron & Jonah)

Friday, January 11th No classes or meetings scheduled

Saturday, January 12th **Pastoral Preparation Time** for Sunday; also for special meetings and such consultations as are of an urgent nature. Please call ahead if possible.

Next Sunday, January 13th **First Sunday after the Epiphany**

— 8:30 a.m., **Sunday School** and **Adult Bible Class** for all.

— 10:00 a.m., **The Divine Worship Service** also for all.

— After our **Fellowship Potluck Luncheon** (at about noon), the **Regular January Voters' Meeting** at about 1:00 p.m.

A blessed week to all of you!