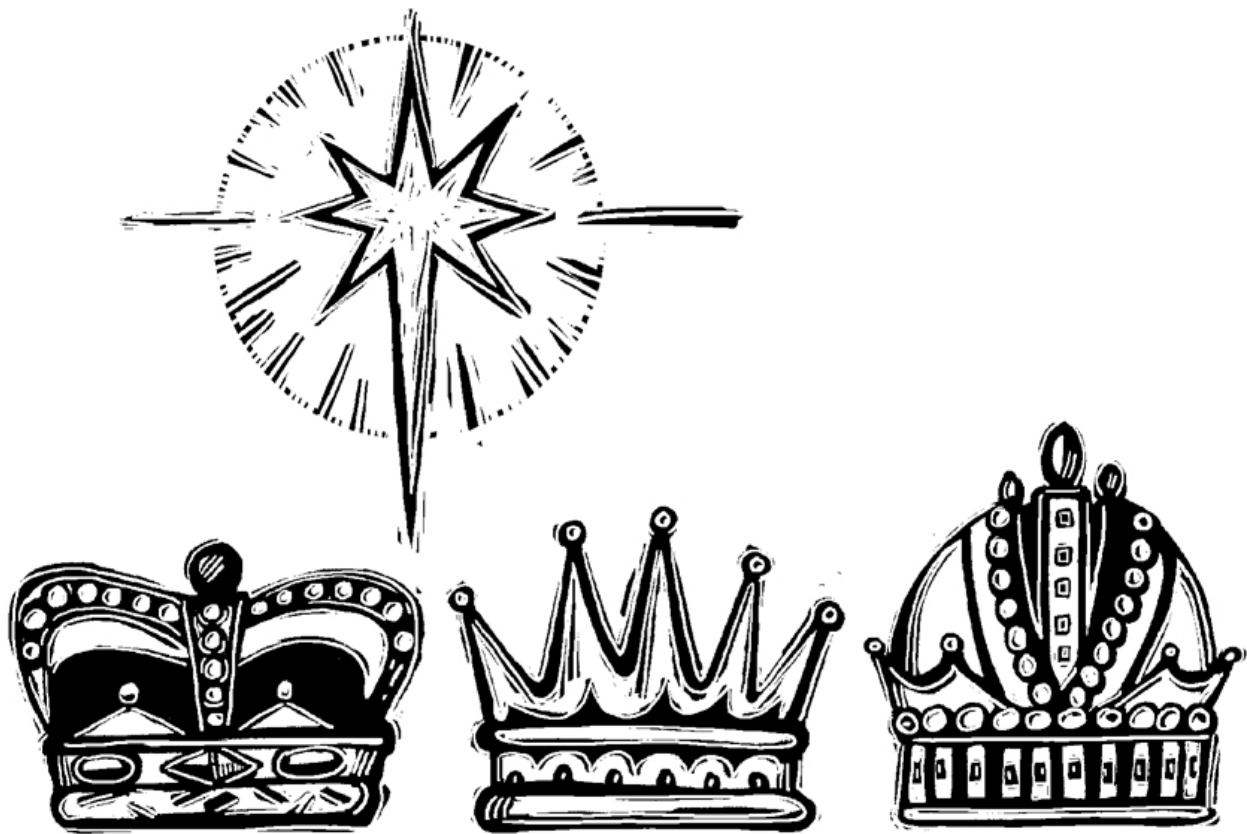


# *The Second Sunday after Epiphany*



**SHADES VALLEY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**January 17, 2010**

**10:30 a.m.**

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT SHADES VALLEY!

*The Sundays after Epiphany continue to celebrate the revelation of the glory of God to us as it was made known to the magi and to those on Jordan's banks at the baptism of Jesus--today using wedding imagery. Our God rejoices over God's people "as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride." By the power of the Spirit there are gifts galore for everyone. In Christ Jesus the best wine is saved for last. Taste and see.*

**HOLY COMMUNION - - Baptized Christians are welcome to come to the altar and receive by faith our Lord's real presence. The Lutheran Church teaches that the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is a priceless gift from God.**

**NURSERY - - We have a nursery supervised by an adult near our worship space. Children are especially important to us and we want to make sure they have a safe and loving environment. An usher can provide you with directions. We also welcome young children to the Lord's table to receive a personal blessing during communion.**

*The Altar flowers are given today  
to the Glory of God  
and in honor of  
our 57th Wedding Anniversary  
by  
Charles & Sissy Boyd*

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# SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 17, 2010

10:30 a.m.

**PERSONAL DEVOTIONS** (*Before the service speak to God. During the service let God speak to you. Following the service speak to one another.*)

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*We stand*

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

As God's beloved children, let us call to mind our sin and our need for reconciliation with God and one another.

*A period of silence helps us call to mind the many ways in which sin has scarred both our personal and community life. Please kneel as you are able.*

Strong and faithful God,

**we confess that we have not lived as your holy people in the world. We have closed our hearts to your love. We have resisted your light. We have failed to proclaim your mercy. Forgive what we have done and what we have left undone, heal us with your abundant grace, and help us walk as children of the light. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.

As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## ENTRANCE HYMN

### “How Great Thou Art”

ELW 856

- 1) **O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the works thy hand hath made,  
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,  
thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;**

*Refrain*        **Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
how great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
how great thou art! How great thou art!**

- 2) **When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; *Refrain***
- 3) **But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
that on the cross my burden gladly bearing  
he bled and died to take away my sin; *Refrain***

- 4) **When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" Refrain**

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## GREETING

Arise, shine; for your light has come. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## THE HYMN OF PRAISE

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Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,  
we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



other faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

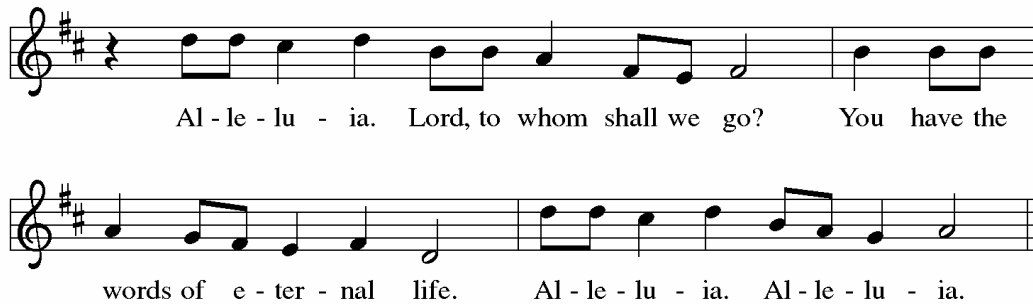
The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*We stand*

## THE GRADUAL VERSE

“Alleluia”

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Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel according to John, the second chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

**John 2:1-11**

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

*We sit*

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## SERMON

“Endless Joy”

**Pastor Daniel Dahl**

*We stand*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

“Beautiful Savior”

**ELW 838**

- 1) **Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee, light of my soul, my joy, my crown.**
- 2) **Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.**
- 3) **Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the sky.**
- 4) **Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!**

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## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Drawn to the light of Christ, made bold in the waters of baptism, and filled with the Spirit, we lift up our prayers in confidence that God loves and listens to us.

*A brief silence follows. Please kneel as you are able.*

We give you thanks for the gift of your church, where we are fed and hear your word. Strengthen us with your Spirit so that we might be gifts to others. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks for the world around us. Equip us to care for our environment, to add to its beauty and wonder, especially in those places marred by war and abuse. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks for our homes and the communities in which we live. Bind us to our neighbors in this place and throughout the world, making us brothers and sisters to one another. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks for the gift of relationships founded in you. Bless the commitments and promises we have made to one another, and bring wholeness to those whose relationships are broken. Lord, in your mercy,**hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks for your healing word. Write it on the bodies, hearts, and minds of those who suffer physically, mentally, or spiritually, so that your Spirit might give them relief from their pain. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Good and gracious God, we ask all these things and whatever else you see that we need with a sure and certain hope in your goodness and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

*We stand*

## THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

*(This tradition of greeting, going back to the early church, offers those at worship an opportunity to share the presence of the risen Christ in complete relationship with him as a prelude to Holy Communion.)*

The Peace of the Lord be with you always!

**And also with you.**

*We sit*

## THE OFFERING

### “O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts”

*~Carl Schalk*

*O Jesus, joy of loving hearts, the fount of life, the light of all:  
From ev'ry bliss that earth imparts we turn, unfilled, to hear your call.  
Your truth unchanged has ever stood; you plead with all to call on you; to those  
who seek you, you are good; to those who find you, life is new.  
We taste you, ever living bread, and long to feast upon you still; we drink of you,  
the fountainhead; our thirsting souls from you we fill.  
O Jesus, ever with us stay! Make all our moments fair and bright!  
Oh, chase the night of sin away! Shed o'er the world your holy light.*

*Sanctuary Choir*

*The offering is received as the Lord's table is prepared.*

*We stand*

## THE OFFERTORY HYMN

**ELW 182**

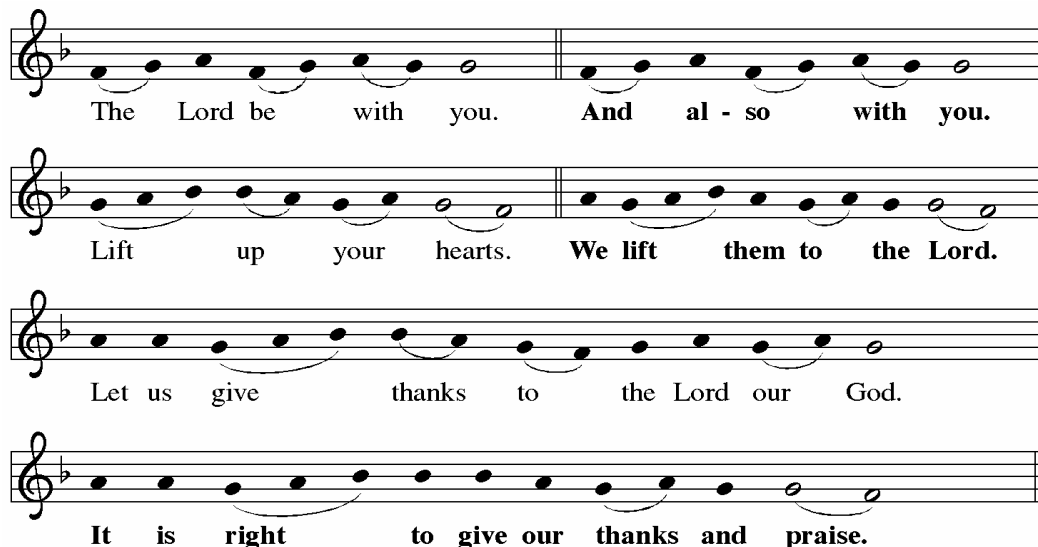
**Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

## THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of all creation,  
all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

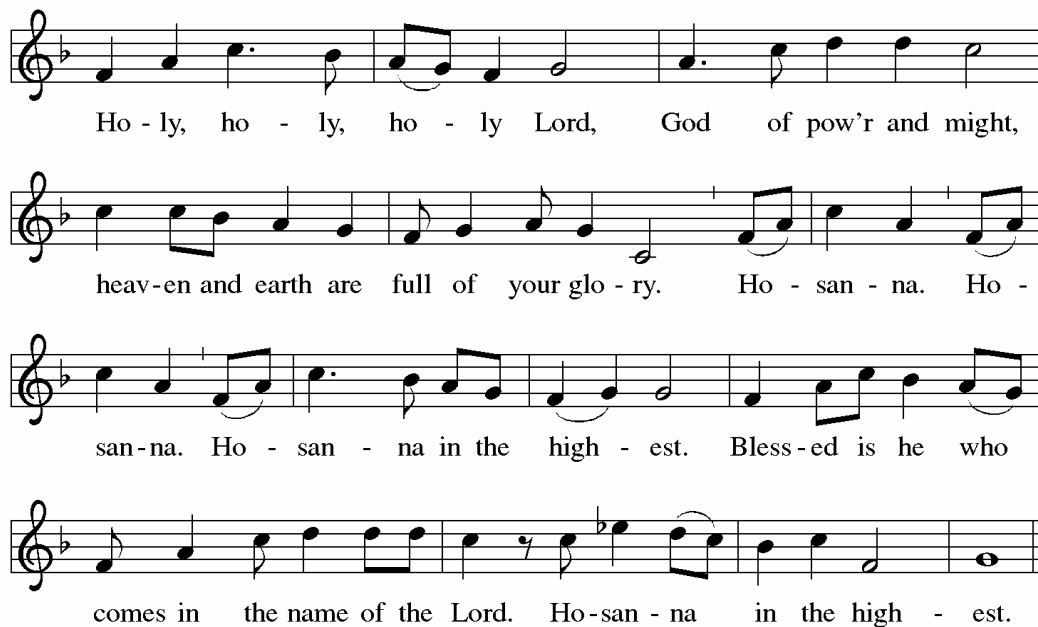
## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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The Lord be with you. And al - so 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 our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

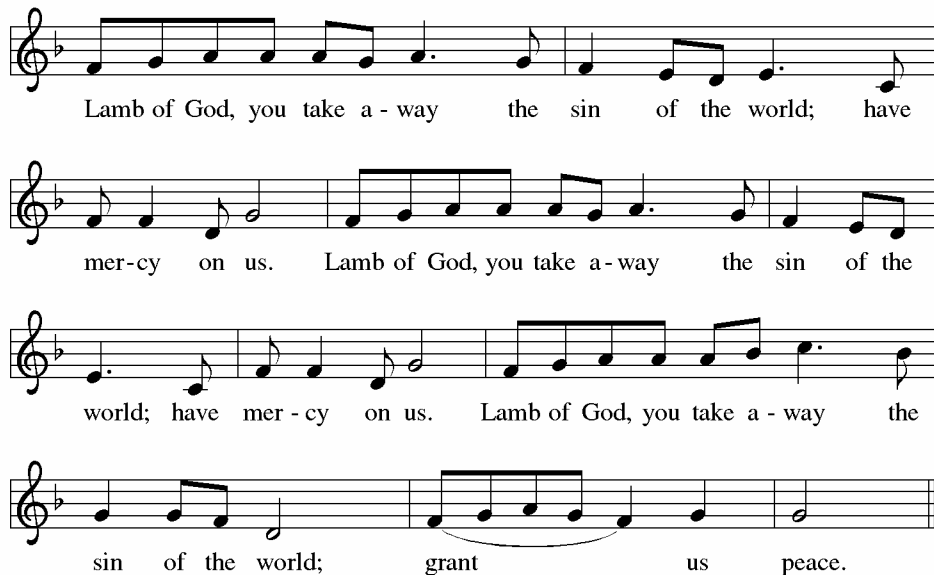
## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, forever and ever. Amen.

*We sit*

## HOLY COMMUNION

*(All who call upon the name of Jesus Christ as Lord are invited and encouraged to come forward. Communion is by **intinction**. Simply hold the wafer in your hand until the cup comes to you. Then, dip the wafer in the cup as the words of reception are spoken. Each communicant may make the sign of the cross as a remembrance of Holy Baptism, and speak the word, "Amen" as communion is received.)*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“Now the Silence”

ELW 460

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

ELW 742

*We stand*

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
**Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **BENEDICTION**

### **SENDING HYMN**

### **“Joy to the World”**

**ELW 267**

- 1) **Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her king;  
let ev'ry heart prepare him room and heav'n and nature sing,  
and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.**
- 2) **Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ,  
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**
- 3) **No more let sin and sorrow grow nor thorns infest the ground;  
he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found,  
far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.**
- 4) **He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love,  
and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.**

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## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Share the good news.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **POST SERVICE MUSIC**

## *This Week at Shades Valley*

### **Today, January 17th . . .**

10:30am    Worship  
5:30pm    Youth Lock-In

### **Next Sunday, January 24th . . .**

8:00am    Worship  
9:15am    Sunday School for ALL  
10:30am    Worship

### **Monday, January 18th . . .**

8:00am    "Hands on Birmingham" *Youth Service Day*  
9:30am    Quilters  
OFFICE CLOSED FOR MLK DAY  
NO Augsburg Bible Study

### **Tuesday, January 19th . . .**

1:00pm    Staff Meeting

### **Wednesday, January 20th . . .**

2:00pm    Recorders  
5:30pm    Dinner  
5:30pm    Sr. High Bible Study  
5:30pm    Jr. Bells  
6:00pm    Prayer Shawl Ministry  
6:00pm    Adult Bible Study  
6:00pm    Sr. Bells  
6:30pm    Children's Choir  
7:15pm    Sanctuary Choir

### **Friday, January 22nd . . .**

6:00pm    Bunco, Bingo & Chili -- *for ALL ages*

**Office Hours:**  
**Monday -- Thursday**  
**9:00 am to 3:00 pm**

**Friday**  
**9:00 am - 12:00 noon**

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Mack Sexton

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS**

Kathryn Waters & Andrew Gnann

**USHERS**

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Johnny Poole, Gordon Graham

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Gail McCormick