

† Thank you for worshiping with us! †

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THE GRACE HUB

CHURCH

12:30pm



Sunday January 6th, 2018

The Grace Hub

† Sunday Worship †
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FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

PRELUDE MUSIC —
'HOPE OF DELIVERANCE'
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN "ARISE YOUR LIGHT HAS COME" WOV# 652

WE REFLECT

(Please stand if able)

Pastor Mary: We are the brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ, co-heirs with Christ of all the blessings and riches that our great God has stored up for His children. As such, God has imparted to us insights to which our forefathers never had access.

ALL: *It is these insights concerning God's saving grace that we are to share with the world.*

Pastor Mary: This is a privilege and responsibility to live, love and serve according to the precepts of God and by means of the grace that He has granted to us through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Momentary silent pause, 3 seconds

ALL: *Help us, O God, to become what You have destined & empowered us to become. Help us to realize Your purpose and mission for the world.*

Pastor Nicole: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a servant of the Word, announce the Grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: AMEN *(Please make the sign of the Cross) †*

Up & Coming Announcements

Our Lessons this day were from: Psalm 72:1-15; Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12

- ♦ Java with Jesus is at the Starbucks on Rancho @ 9am
- ♦ Please stay tuned and pray for us to get a space to rent soon for services.
- ♦ All hymns will either be from the Lutheran Book of Worship or the With One Voice. A Special heartfelt thank you to First & Santa Cruz Lutheran church for their recent donation of 12 WOVs!

*Make a Friend, Be a Friend &
Bring a friend to Christ
(at the Grace Hub!)*



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☼ The Grace Hub Church ☼*

WHO WE ARE:

*We are a hybrid blend of Lutheran
& Congregational Roots
We are missional with the Gospel
& We are dedicated to Discipleship*

Prayer for Spiritual Formation

Pastor Mary:

Loving and Gracious Lord Jesus

Help us to see Your guiding providing light
shining in the darkness

Help us to again recall how you came into our world
To save us in more ways than one.

Help us to manifest that light of love and grace

As a wisdom of a New Nature begun to be reaped.

We lift our eyes to your Grace & Glory

May you rise always in our hearts through this prayer

(Please observe a moment of Silence)

ALL: AMEN

BENEDICTION

Scattering Proclamation *(Reverend Nicole Collins)*

Leader: Gracious God, may we transform our hearts to
You for Your Glory and mission in this world. May You
continue to guide our hearts, guard our steps as we go
forth with the Good News!

In the name of the Father, † Son & Holy Spirit

ALL AMEN *(Please make the sign of the Cross)*

SENDING HYMN

‘WE THREE KINGS OF ORIENT ARE’ WOV 646

LEADER: GO IN PEACE, AND SERVE THE LORD!

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD!

A Reading from The Prophet Isaiah

¹Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. ²For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. ³Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. ⁴Lift 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. ⁵Then 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. 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 proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Leader: The Word of the Lord

ALL: Thanks Be to God

A Reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians

¹This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— ²for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, ³and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, ⁴a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. ⁵In 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: ⁶that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. ⁷Of 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. ⁸Although 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, ⁹and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery

hidden for ages in God who created all things; ¹⁰so 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. ¹¹This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹²in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Leader: The Word of the Lord **ALL: Thanks Be to God**

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew

Please Stand

Leader: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew

ALL: Glory to You, O Lord

¹In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ²asking, “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.” ³When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ⁶“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.”” ⁷Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then 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.” ⁹When 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. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On 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. ¹²And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Leader: The Word of the Lord *ALL: Praise to You, O Christ*

‘RADIANCE RISING’ *Sermon by Reverend Nicole Collins*

HYMN OF THE DAY

‘I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT

WOV# 649

✠ PEACE & PRAYER CIRCLE ✠

HOLY COMMUNION

Please take this opportunity to reflect in your heart how this Means of Grace—Christ actual presence feeds and restores your soul. As St. Paul would say: Listen with your heart wide open. Then, TASTE, SEE & DELIGHT that the Lord is Good!

LORD’S PRAYER: Please recite what version is comfortable for you. *(Please be seated)*

Epiphany Affirmation of Faith *(Please be seated)*

Leader: Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

All: For in him all things in heaven and on earth were created: things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers; all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from among the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

AMEN.