**January 5, 2025 | Feast of the Epiphany**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Spiritual Autobiography**

Deepening one’s spiritual life is a profoundly rewarding journey, often rooted in self-reflection, intentional practices, and meaningfully connecting with the world and others.

I invite you to go deeper into your relationship with Jesus this Advent, encouraging everyone to interact and write their Spiritual Autobiography by asking: how was Jesus born in you? This reflection will take you to your earliest memories of hearing and knowing about God up to the present day and point us toward the future.

Take time this Advent to “Be Still” and to reflect on how Jesus has been with you throughout your life. Journals will be provided to you with prompts on December 1. Please see Lisa if you have additional questions.

**West Suburban Grief Group | See dates and times below**

The West Suburban Grief Coalition provides a safe, non-threatening environment where people may share and understand feelings of grief and move forward with their lives. Please reach out to Dave Kjos with any questions at: (763) 432-2585 or dmekjos@gmail.com.

4:00 – 4:30 pm – Optional Time Open for Socializing, Refreshments, Browsing Our Library, and 1st-Time Attendees’ Registration  
4:30 – 5:00 pm – Meeting Begins – Devotion & Speaker  
5:00 – 6:00 pm – Break-Out Group Sessions

Effective: **December 5 – February 27, 2025,** *Mount Olivet Lutheran Church, 12235 Old Rockford Road, Plymouth, MN 55441.* Please contact Pastor Kristin Dybdal at 763-559-2775 no need to make a reservation to attend.

**Sunday, January 5, 2025: 10:00 AM**

**Epiphany Sunday**

The Rev. Judy Hoover, presider

The Rev. Lisa White Smith, preacher

[Isaiah 60:1-6](https://www.lectionarypage.net/YearABC_RCL/Epiphany/Epiph_RCL.html#Ot1)

[Ephesians 3:1-12](https://www.lectionarypage.net/YearABC_RCL/Epiphany/Epiph_RCL.html#Nt1)

[Matthew 2:1-12](https://www.lectionarypage.net/YearABC_RCL/Epiphany/Epiph_RCL.html#Gsp1)

[Psalm 72:1-7,10-14](https://www.lectionarypage.net/YearABC_RCL/Epiphany/Epiph_RCL.html#Ps1)

Maureen Wilson – Chalice Minister

Vivian Ballah Swaray – Chalice Minister

Sandy Connor – 1st Reader

Edwin Swaray – 2nd Reader

Jane Kalin – POP Reader

Peter Miller – Usher

Gary Garrison – Usher

Art & Sherry Jaeger – Greeter

Anne Holoch – Coffee Hour

**NO Sunday School**

Kelly Guncheon – Audio Technician

**Sunday, January 12, 2025: 10:00 AM**

**First Sunday after the Epiphany**

The Rev. Lisa White Smith, presider

The Rev. Lisa White Smith, preacher

[Isaiah 43:1-7](https://www.lectionarypage.net/YearC_RCL/Epiphany/CEpi1_RCL.html#Ot1)

[Acts 8:14-17](https://www.lectionarypage.net/YearC_RCL/Epiphany/CEpi1_RCL.html#Nt1)

[Luke 3:15-17, 21-22](https://www.lectionarypage.net/YearC_RCL/Epiphany/CEpi1_RCL.html#Gsp1)

[Psalm 29](https://www.lectionarypage.net/YearC_RCL/Epiphany/CEpi1_RCL.html#Ps1)

Dorothy Hayes – Chalice Minister

Steve Debner – Chalice Minister

Wendy Cain – 1st Reader

Dan Cain – 2nd Reader

Karen Orn – POP Reader

Duni Ankrah – Usher

Sub Requested – Usher

Sub Requested – Greeter

Laurie Felder – Coffee Hour

XXXX – Sunday School Lead

Helen Kupka – Sunday School Helper

Roger Krueger – Audio Technician

**A close-up of a calendar

Description automatically generatedAnnual Meeting | January 26, 2025**

**Sunday, January 26, service will be at a special time, 9:00 AM.** The annual meeting will follow the service in order to give us enough time to ensure all the business for the past year is reviewed and the upcoming year is ready! Please join us for this important church meeting!

The budget for 2025 will also be available for review on January 19 following the service. If you have questions for the Treasurer, please email Bruce at bmanthey23@gmail.com.

***Check back here as we add more events and activities for our community.***

**Dates to mark on your calendars!**

**January 5, 2025** – Feast of the Epiphany

**January 26** – Annual Meeting following the service

\*\***SERVICE TIME CHANGE at 9:00 AM\*\***

**(so we can get the whole meeting covered)**

March 5 – Ash Wednesday

March 11 thru April 8 – Lenten Series begins (5 weeks on Tuesday)

April 17 – Maundy Thursday at 6:30 PM

April 18 – Good Friday 12:00 PM (Stations of the Cross) & 6:30 PM (Service)

April 19 – Combined Easter Vigil with St. Davids & Trinity (Excelsior)

April 20 – Easter Egg Hunt at 9:30 AM

April 20 – Easter Celebration at 10:00 AM

May 17 – Heritage Night – 6:00 PM

**Announcement submission**: if you would like to submit an announcement for Sunday, please email [adminepiphany@msn.com](mailto:adminepiphany@msn.com) by Wednesday at 2 pm before the week(s) you would like it to appear. Thank you!

**We lift up in prayer:** Adam & Marnie, Ashley, Colby, Garrett & Jaime, Karen, Ryder, Sean, Anna Abruzzese, Una Ankrah, Betty Baer, The Bannister family, Frances Bryant, Sandy Connor, Steve & Virginia Debner, Joan Dehzad, Joyce De Joung, Barbara Engelland, Joyce Hetherington, Clint Hewitt, Yvette Hewitt, John Holgate, Chuma & Dorthey Ikegwuani, Stephen Ingerson, Irene Joyce, Tom Kipp, Dave Kjos, Dave & Dee Luikart, Sarah McCready, Bev Metz, Barb Pfaffe, The Reutelers, Myrna Rikki, Maria Rivera, Karen Snapko, Alma Tawag, Tom Teale, Allan Van Dine, Phyllis Van Dine, Susan & Frank Whitman, Pearl & David Wright, and Joan Zimmerman & family.

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| **THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR EVENTS** | | |
| **Sunday**  8:00 AM -12:00 PM  Church Office open | **January 5**  **Feast of the Epiphany** | 10:00 AM **Sunday Service** ([Livestream](https://www.youtube.com/@churchoftheepiphany8774/streams))  10:15 AM Sunday School  *12:00 PM UCFGM (Church)*  8:30 PM Compline (Zoom) |
| **Monday**  Church Office Closed | **January 6** | 7:30 AM Morning Prayer (Zoom)  8:30 PM Compline (Zoom) |
| **Tuesday** | **January 7** | 7:30 AM Morning Prayer (Zoom)  8:30 PM Compline (Zoom) |
| **Wednesday** | **January 8** | 7:30 AM Morning Prayer (Zoom)  6:30 PM Worship Music Team Practice  8:30 PM Compline (Zoom) |
| **Thursday** | **January 9** | 7:30 AM Morning Prayer (Zoom)  7:00 PM Jubellation |
| **Friday** | **January 10** | 7:30 AM Morning Prayer (Zoom) |
| **Saturday** | **January 11** | *4:30 PM UCFGM Music practice (Sanc)* |
| **Sunday**  8:00 AM -12:00 PM  Church Office open | **January 12**  **1st Sunday after the Epiphany** | 10:00 AM **Sunday Service** ([Livestream](https://www.youtube.com/@churchoftheepiphany8774/streams))  10:15 AM Sunday School  *12:00 PM UCFGM (Church)* |

*\*Events in italics are outside groups using the church for their programs.*

**Additional Worship Opportunities**

Morning Prayer (M-F at 7:30 AM) – [Zoom Link](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85414871990?pwd=SkMyOFJibWVzQ25hU1dzRGo4dXJvUT09) (in email)

Compline on Zoom (Sun-W at 8:30 PM) **-** Zoom Link (in email)

North Ridge Service | Wednesdays at 10:30 AM

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**Ways to donate to Epiphany or pay your weekly/monthly pledge.**