

# The Epiphany of Our Lord



## **Festival of Epiphany**

A Savior is born for all nations

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

January 6, 2026

## Welcome!

We are honored that you are with us today. May the Word of God that you hear strengthen your faith and increase your desire to serve the Lord! If you are a guest today, we are thankful you have joined us. We hope that you will join us again soon.

## The Festival of the Epiphany of our Lord – January 6, 2026

### Christ the Savior is born for all nations

Christ the Savior is Born: Love's pure light beams from thy holy face

The Twelve Days of Christmas are the days from Christmas Day until January 5. Then on January 6 we begin a new season. What is special about January 6? It is the day when the Christian Church celebrates the Festival of the Epiphany.

Epiphany comes from a Greek word meaning “reveal.” When the Savior was born, he was first revealed as love’s pure light to Israelites: Mary, Joseph, the shepherds. Today we see the Lord miraculously guiding foreigners across countless miles, so the Savior’s holy face could be revealed to them as well.

The Festival of Epiphany is sometimes known as Christmas for the Gentiles. We Gentiles (non-Jews) rejoice in the good news that this Jewish baby is a gift for all people. He is the Christ, the Savior of the world.



### Connection card

*During the offering  
we ask that you  
complete an online  
connection card.*



### Give online

*If you prefer  
online giving, you may  
scan this code.*

### Service notes

Tonight’s service is a time for meditation and prayer. Everything you will need for the service will be projected on the screens in the front of the Ministry and Education Center. Please sit toward the front to see the screens.

During the service we will light candles. We ask that you keep the candles upright. Please only tip unlit candles.

Please fill out a Connection Card by scanning the QR code to the left.

### Offering to the Lord

We will not formally gather offerings during the service. The offering plates are located on the table by the screen in the back of the room. You may also give online by using the QR code to the left.

God bless your worship tonight.

## **Serving at Worship**

Minister

Pastor Gary Pufahl

Piano

Lisa Thiesfeldt

Choir

Sarah Kern, Christina Crabtree, April Long, Kris Pufahl,  
Kevin Bode, Josh Winterstein, Dan Gruman, Nathaniel Ehlers

Sound technician

George Willis

Media technician

Chris Wempner

## **Refreshments after worship tonight**

Please join us for pizza and nachos in the Cedar Room and the Courtyard after worship tonight. We thank Mr. Chet Jaehnig for serving us this evening.

## **Pancake breakfast – January 11, 2026**

Please join us for a pancake breakfast on Sunday, January 11, from 9:00 until 10:30 a.m. The proceeds will go toward our youth ministry to help offset the expenses for the International Youth Rally this summer.

## **Special voters' call meeting – January 13, 2026**

Pastor James Backus returned our call to serve as one of our pastors. We will have a special congregational voters' meeting on Tuesday, January 13, at 6:30 p.m. to call another pastor to oversee our youth and family ministries.

## **Open forum – January 18, 2026**

We will have an open forum on Sunday, January 18, at 9:15 a.m. to discuss our ministries to the Lord and his people. Please join us to learn about these ministries and to share your thoughts.

Arise, shine, for your light has come,  
and the **glory of the LORD**  
rises upon you.

—Isaiah 60:1





# About Us

**E**mmanuel Lutheran Church shares the love of Jesus and the truth of his saving Word with the people in our church, our community and the world.

The objectives of our mission are:

- To **preach**, by proclaiming the Word of God, as we worship and praise God in a loving Christian atmosphere;
- To **teach**, by fostering an ongoing increase in knowledge and maturity in God's Word;
- To **reach**, by sharing the gospel of God's Word with all people, and to do so;
- By **each** member actively participating in our ministry.

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**E**mmanuel Lutheran Church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). We are united in faith and teaching with the other churches of the Wisconsin Synod as well as the churches of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS).

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