



PROVIDENCE
CHURCH

Omnia et in omnibus Christus - Christ all and in all

A Reformed Evangelical Congregation

The Lord's Service

06 January 2019

Epiphany Sunday

Welcome

In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, we at Providence Church open wide our doors and welcome all who are spiritually weak and seek rest; all who mourn and long for comfort; all who struggle and desire victory; all who sin and need the Savior; all who are strangers and want fellowship; all who hunger and thirst for righteousness; all who are poor in spirit and desire the riches of the gospel; all who will come to Jesus Christ in living faith and repentance, looking to Him as both Liberator and Lord. If you are a visitor of Providence Church, we are grateful that you have joined us in our highest privilege, worshipping the Triune God. We hope you stay and talk with us after the service so we can get to know you better. If you would like to talk to Pastor Brito throughout the week, please feel free to either call him at 850.377.3049 or to email him at uriesou@gmail.com. Please visit our website at www.providencepensacola.org.

God is Renewing His Covenant With His People

God Calls Us And Cleanses Us

Prelude

Lydia Dearington

Exhortation:

Changing Us Through Unchangeable Forms

Call to Worship (Please Stand)

Pastor: Let us worship God, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Matthew 18:20; 28:19

People: Amen

Salutation: The Lord be with you!

Ruth 2:4

People: And also with you!

I rejoiced when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!"

Psalms 122:1-2

Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!

Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

Psalms 121:1-2

Maker of heaven and earth.

Pastor: Dearly beloved brethren if we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us, but if we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Therefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of heavenly grace.

Come, let us worship and bow down.

Psalms 95:6

People: And kneel before the Lord our Maker.

(Let all who are able kneel)

Pastor: Most merciful God,

All: Holy Father, you see us as we are, and know our inmost thoughts. We confess that we are unworthy of your gracious care. We forget that all life comes from you and that to you all life returns. We have not sought to do your will with our whole hearts. We have not lived as grateful children, nor loved as Christ loved us. Apart from you, we are nothing. Only your grace can sustain us. Lord, in your mercy, forgive us, heal us, and make us whole. Set us free from our sin, and restore us to the joy of your salvation now and forever. Amen.

(Continue Kneeling for Silent Confession)

Assurance of Pardon

(Rise and Hear the Good News of God's Forgiveness)

Pastor: The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in loving kindness. He has not dealt with us according to our sins nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. On this day know surely Your sins are forgiven through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Acts 13:38

All: Thanks be to God. Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. Amen!

Hymn of Faith (Please Stand)

Of the Father's Love Begotten, pgs. 246-247

People: Amen.

God Consecrates and Raises Up to Heaven

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

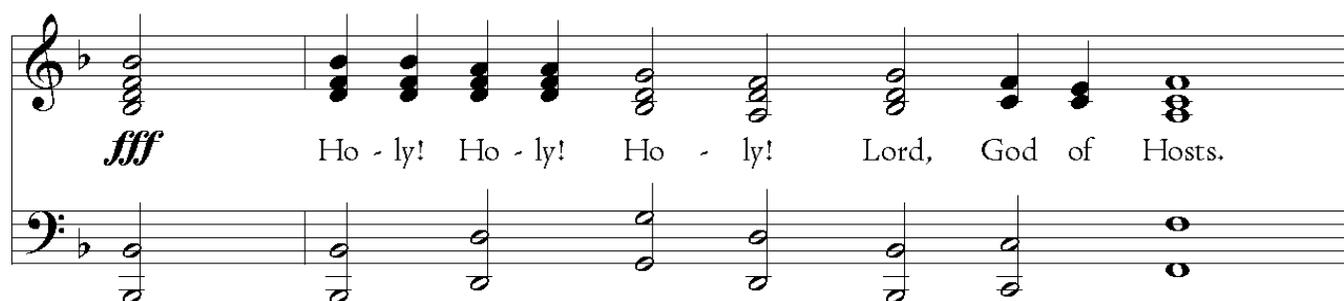
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us Give Thanks to the Lord our God!

It is proper and right to do so.

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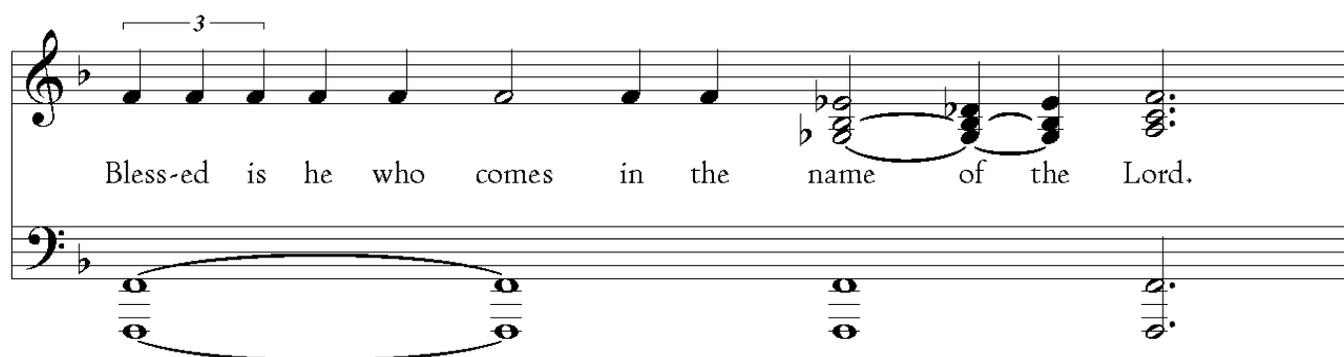
Pastor: Truly it is fitting, right, wholesome and beneficial that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks to You O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels, with all the company of heaven, and with all the Church on earth, we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



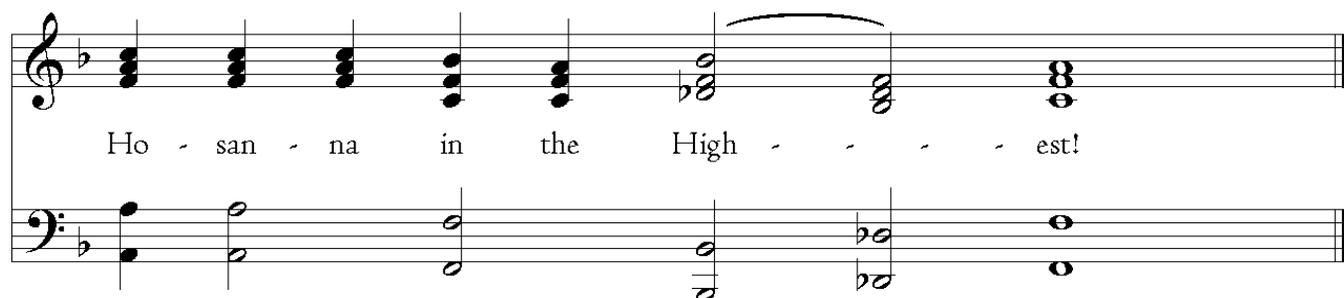
fff Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Lord, God of Hosts.



Hea-ven and earth are full of Your glo-ry! 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!

Pastor: May the kings of Tarshish and of the coastlands render him tribute;

People: may the kings of Sheba and Seba bring gifts!

May all kings fall down before him, all nations serve him!

For he delivers the needy when he calls, the poor and him who has no helper.

He has pity on the weak and the needy, and saves the lives of the needy.

From oppression and violence he redeems their life, and precious is their blood in his sight.

Long may he live; may gold of Sheba be given to him!

May prayer be made for him continually, and blessings invoked for him all the day!

May there be abundance of grain in the land; on the tops of the mountains may it wave; may its fruit be like Lebanon; and may people blossom in the cities like the grass of the field!

May his name endure forever, his fame continue as long as the sun!

May people be blessed in him, all nations call him blessed!

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

Blessed be his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory!

Amen and Amen!

The prayers of David, the son of Jesse, are ended.

All: Amen! Yes, Amen.

Confession of the Nicene Creed (*please remain standing*)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Pastoral prayer and Sung Lord's Prayer (see hymnal's back cover)

Please respond at the end of each section:

Pastor: Father, hear our prayer!

People: For Your Steadfast Love Endures Forever!

Reading of God's Word (*Please Stand*)

Old Covenant Reading:

Isaiah 60:1-6

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

New Covenant Reading:

Ephesians 3:1-12

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading in the Midst of the People:

Matthew 2:1-12

Pastor: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Month:

What Child Is This, pg. 250

People: Amen.

Sermon:

Pastor Uri Brito (Outline on back page)

Title:

Epiphany as Discipleship Training

Text

Isaiah 60:1-6; Matthew 2:1-12

Offertory:

(Ex. 23:15; 34:20; Dt. 16:16)

Pastor: Let us worship God with our tithes and offerings.

Hymn of Faith:

As With Gladness Men of Old, pg. 251

People: Amen.

Offertory Prayer

Pastor: Christians, how do you respond to our Lord?

People: We give only what the Lord has first given to us.

We present ourselves as living sacrifices,

And we offer the sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving.

We cheerfully give these tithes and offerings

In obedience to the Lord, for the glory of His Name,

The health of the Church, and for the sake of the world. Amen.

God Communes With Us

The Lord's Supper is observed every Sunday as the climax of covenant renewal worship. We invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and his body, the Church. By eating the bread and wine with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging to the Session of this local church that you are in covenant with God as an active member of a congregation in which the Gospel is faithfully confessed. If you have any doubt about your participation, please speak to one of the pastors before or after the service.

Celebration of Holy Communion ***(Please be seated)***

Passing of the Bread (*"The Lord be with you" "The Lord bless you"*)

Passing of the Wine (*"The Peace of Christ be with you" "And also with you"*)

Congregational Response

Gloria Patri

(Please Stand with Hands Raised)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, A-men, A-men.

God Commissions Us

The Lord's Commission

Matthew 28:18-20

Pastor: *Our mouths will speak the praise of the Lord!*

People: Let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever. AMEN!

Psalm 145:21

Closing Hymn:

O Come, All Ye Faithful, pg. 243

People: Amen!

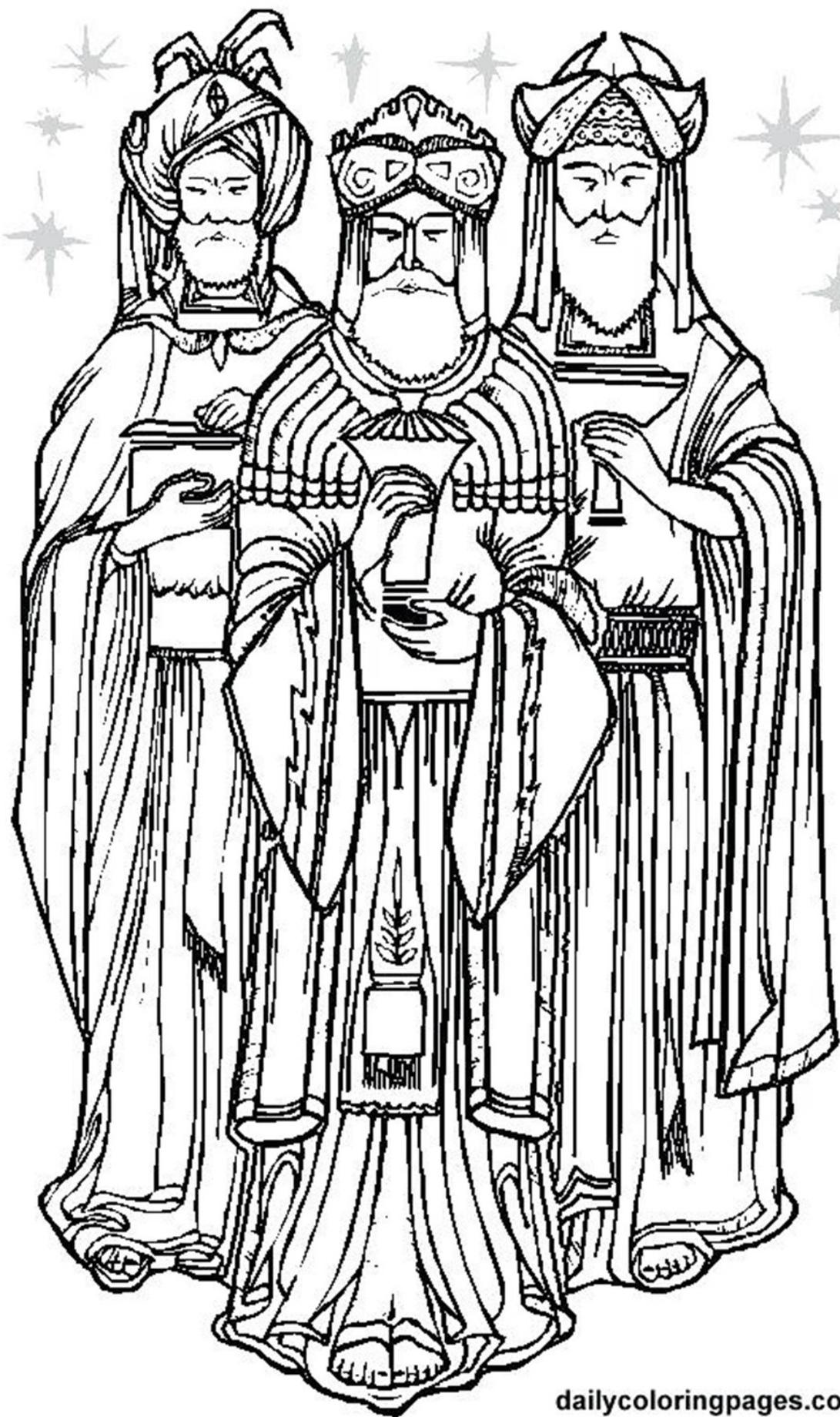
Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

Threefold Amen

Pastor: *Go in Peace to Love and to Serve our Risen Christ!*

All: Amen!



Announcements:

Emerald Coast Coalition for Life Rally and Walk for Life is next Saturday at 11am. Pastor Stout need a few helpers and would love to see many of you come out and walk. Let him know if you can be there.

Thanks to the Hunters for opening their home last night.

Next Ladies' study January 16th. Chapter 9 of Feminine Threads

Men's Study begins again in February. We will be studying Jeremiah. Let Pastor Stout know if you are interested so we can order enough books.

Fellowship Meal January 27th

Vespers Service with Pizza and Salad February 6th

Outline Isaiah 60:1-6; Matthew 2:1-12

The word Epiphany means "manifestation." It refers to the manifestation of Jesus to the Gentiles. It was a sign that the kingdom of God would go to all the nations of the earth. It was also a call to bow down before the great King, Jesus Christ. Epiphany is a discipleship training season.

I. The Way of the Appearance

II. Jesus' Epiphany in Worship and Gift-Giving

III. Worship: Training in Body Postures

Gift-Giving: Training in Love

IV. Epiphany is Discipleship Training

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