

# CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD + January 6, 2025 +

### VESPERS FOR THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD + January 6, 2025 +

The Kingdom of Heaven



We welcome our members and guests to Christ Lutheran today, and pray God's richest blessings upon you during this time of worship!

> LARGE PRINT worship folders are available at the usher stand at the back of the nave.

#### WELCOME:

"David bore witness to God, the Truth, when he said, 'Unto thee, O Lord, belongeth mercy, for thou renderest to every man according to his work."

-George McDonald, Unspoken Sermons

#### **OPENING VERSICLES**

#### PSALM



Lord, you were favorable | to your land;\* you restored the fortunes of | Jacob.

## You forgave the iniquity of your | people;\* you covered | all their sin.

You withdrew | all your wrath;\* you turned from your hot | anger.

#### Restore us again, O God of our sal- | vation,\* and put away your indignation | toward us!

Will you be angry with us for- | ever?\* Will you prolong your anger to all gener- | ations?

#### Will you not revive | us again,\* that your people may re- | joice in you?

Show us your steadfast love, | O Lord,\* and grant us your sal- | vation.

Let me hear what God the | Lord will speak,\* for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to | folly.

Surely his salvation is near to those who | fear him,\* that glory may dwell | in our land.

#### Steadfast love and faith- | fulness meet;\* righteousness and peace kiss each | other.

Faithfulness springs up | from the ground,\* and righteousness looks down | from the sky. p. 229

Psalm 85

| Yes, the Lord will g<br>and our land will   | ive   what is good,*<br>yield its   increase. |                 |
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| Righteousness will g and make his foot-   |   |                 |
| Glory be to the Fath<br>and to the Holy   S<br>as it was in the be-<br>is now, and will b | ginning,*                                     |                 |
| Please be seated  |   |                 |
| FIRST READING   |   | Isaiah 42:1-7   |
| <ul><li>L O Lord, have merc</li><li>C Thanks be to God</li></ul>                          | •   |                 |
| SECOND READING  |   | Matthew 3:13-17 |
| <ul><li>L O Lord, have merc</li><li>C Thanks be to God</li></ul>                          |   |                 |
| COMMON RESPONSOR  | RY  | р. 230          |
| OFFICE HYMN   | The Only Son from Heaven                      | #402            |
| MEDITATION  | The Monarchy                                  |                 |
| Please stand  |   |                 |
| MAGNIFICAT  |   | p. 231          |
| Kyrie   |   | p. 233          |
| LORD'S PRAYER   |   | p. 233          |
| Collects  |   | p. 233          |
| BENEDICAMUS   |   | p. 234          |
| BENEDICTION   |   | р. 234          |
| CLOSING HYMN  | Hail, O Source of Every Blessing              | #409            |

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