

The Epiphany of our Lord The Name of Jesus January 1, 2023 10:45 a.m.

#### As We Gather

The darkness of sin and death are as hidden to us as the darkness of night is hidden by the artificial lights of a city. The revelation of God is not only that God is light and in Him is no darkness but that we are in darkness and have no light. The Epiphany moment is that the true light, He who is the light of the world, has come, and in Him we are made light by Baptism and faith. Today, we pray for that light to fill our darkness that we may know the fullness of the revelation of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. His light is so great that it overcomes every enemy and bridges the distance between all cultures and all peoples. We pray the Lord that we may walk in His light even to everlasting life.

# Ancient Gates by Brooke Ligertwood, Jason Ingram, Scott Ligertwood

There is singing at the ancient gates
There's a melody of ceaseless praise
Age to age the sound is only growing stronger

There's a throne beneath the Name of Names There is seated on it One who reigns And His Kingdom now is here and getting closer

Chorus 1
So praise Him like we're there in glory
Here and now He's just as holy
Jesus He's so worthy of it all

He exists in everlasting light So on heaven's streets there is no night Every tear is wiped away We'll know no sorrow

Worship Him with joyful sound Sing until your voice gives out No matter where or who's around Release your worship

# Chorus

Praise Him like we're there in glory Here and now He's just as holy Jesus He's so worthy of it all

Bring your song He loves to hear it Bring Him every prayer soaked lyric Jesus He's so worthy of it all

Bridge (Repeat as desired)

The One who was
The One who is
The One who is to come

Chorus
Praise Him like we're there in glory
Here and now He's just as holy
Jesus He's so worthy of it all

Bring your song He loves to hear it Bring Him every prayer soaked lyric Jesus He's so worthy of it all

### Welcome

### Invocation

# **Opening Sentences**

Psalm 8

Pastor: O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

People: Out of the mouth of babes and infants,

you have established strength because of your foes,

to still the enemy and the avenger.

Pastor: When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

People: what is man that you are mindful of him,

and the son of man that you care for him?

Pastor: Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings

and crowned him with glory and honor.

People: You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;

you have put all things under his feet,

Pastor: all sheep and oxen,

and also the beasts of the field,

People: the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,

whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

Pastor: O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

### How Majestic

by Kari Jobe, Chris Tomlin, Matt Redman and Jason Ingram

Without a word the mountains speak The song that all creation sings. The painted skies, the sun and stars, The heavens tell how great You are, The heavens tell how great You are.

#### Chorus

How majestic is Your name! How majestic is Your name! Jesus, wonderful, powerful, You're the Lord of all. How majestic is Your name!

A rugged cross, a humble King, how beautiful the mystery That love would bleed from majesty. Chorus

### **Bridge**

All rise, all rise in highest praise!
Your name will reign through all eternity!
Our hope, our strength, our victory;
We bow down, down at Your feet. Chorus

# **Confession and Forgiveness**

Pastor: As we approach our triune God and gather in His majestic name, we draw

near with a true heart and confess our sins.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Pastor: Together we confess:

People: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things,

judge of all people, we admit and confess our sinfulness.

Pastor: We have turned away from one another in our thinking, speaking, and

doing.

People: We have done the evil You forbid and have not done the good You

demand. We do repent and are truly sorry for these our sins.

Pastor: Have mercy on us, heavenly Father, because of the obedience of our Lord

Jesus Christ, Your Son.

People: Forgive us and with the power of the Holy Spirit, move us to serve

You faithfully. Set our feet upon the new path of life, that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your

holy name.

# **Words of Forgiveness**

### **Behold the Lamb of God** by Andrew Peterson and Laura Story

We who walk in darkness deep now see the light of morning. The mighty God, the Prince of Peace, a child to us is born.

### Chorus:

Behold the Lamb of God Who takes away our sin.
Behold the Lamb of God, the life and light of men.
Behold the Lamb of God, who died and rose again.
Behold the Lamb of God, who comes to take away our sin.

Wand'rers in the wilderness, O hear a voice is crying. Prepare the way, make straight the path. Your King has come to die. Chorus (twice)

### Old Testament Isaiah 60:1-6

<sup>1</sup>Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. <sup>2</sup>For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. <sup>3</sup>And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. <sup>4</sup>Lift up your eyes all around, and see; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried on the hip. <sup>5</sup>Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and exult, because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. <sup>6</sup>A 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 bring good news, the praises of the LORD.

<sup>1</sup>For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles— <sup>2</sup>assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for you, <sup>3</sup>how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly. <sup>4</sup>When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ, <sup>5</sup>which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit. <sup>6</sup>This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

<sup>7</sup>Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God's grace, which was given me by the working of his power. <sup>8</sup>To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, <sup>9</sup>and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things, <sup>10</sup>so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. <sup>11</sup>This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, <sup>12</sup>in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him.

## Noel

by Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, and Matt Redman

Love incarnate, love divine, star and angels gave the sign. Bow to babe on bended knee, the Savior of humanity. Unto us a Child is born; He shall reign forevermore.

Noel, Noel! Come and see what God has done! Noel, Noel! The story of amazing love! The light of the world given for us. Noel.

Son of God, and Son of man, there before the world began. Born to suffer, born to save, born to raise us from the grave. Christ, the everlasting Lord; He shall reign forevermore.

Noel, Noel! Come and see what God has done! Noel, Noel! The story of amazing love! The light of the world given for us. Noel. (repeat) ¹Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, ²saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." ³When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

6"And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel."

<sup>7</sup>Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup>And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." <sup>9</sup>After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup>When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. <sup>11</sup>And going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. <sup>12</sup>And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

# The Apostles' Creed

# Children's Message

# **Psalm 8 (How Majestic Is Your Name)** b

by Shane Bernard

When I look at Your heavens The moon and stars You set in motion Oh God I sing all glory and honor What is man that You are mindful The son of man That you would care for Him We sing all glory and honor

#### Chorus

Oh Lord our Lord Oh how awesome are Your ways How majestic is Your Name In all the earth Oh Lord our Lord May we see Your kingdom come Father may Your will be done In all the earth

In all the earth You gave dominion to Your children
And You crowned them Oh God
With Glory and honor So we'll sing of Your Name
Live our lives for Your greatness Oh God
And Your glory and honor Chorus

**Bridge (twice)** 

The earth is full of The glory of God
Come make much of The Name above all names
Creation cries out And every knee bows
Jesus we crown you Oh Lord our Lord
Chorus

Sermon				
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### A King Like This

by Chris Tomlin, Matt Redman, and Jonas Myrin

A King like this, majesty laying in a manger. A King like this, unto us is born a Savior. The Light, the Light has come.

A King like this, the highest name and the song of heaven. A King like this, born of flesh into our suffering. The Light, the Light has come.

#### Chorus:

He is Christ, the Lord. He is Christ, our Savior. I bow my heart before no other name. I bow my heart before no other King.

A King like this, a saving love that would not forsake us; Betrayed by a kiss, and led to the cross for our forgiveness. The Light, the Light has come. Chorus

We lift up our eyes, the Light has come! We lift up our eyes, the Light has come! We lift up our eyes, the Light has come! We lift up our eyes, lift up our eyes!

He is Christ, the Lord. He is Christ, our Savior. He is Christ, the Lord. He is Christ, our Savior. I bow my heart before no other name. I bow my heart before no other King. I bow my heart before no other name. I bow my heart before no other King.

A King like this, a throne of grace that will stand forever. The angels sing, glory, glory, hallelujah! The Light, the Light has come. The Light, the Light has come.

# **Lift Our Hearts in Prayer**

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy: **People: Hear our prayer.** 

# **Lord's Prayer**

# The Blessing

# **Your Name Is Power** by Chris Llewellen and Gareth Gilkeson

You're the only answer to the darkness You're the only right among the wrong You're the only hope among the chaos You are the voice that calls me on

Pre-Chorus
Louder than ev'ry lie
My sword in ev'ry fight
The truth will chase away the night

#### Chorus

Your name is power over darkness
Freedom for the captives
Mercy for the broken and the hopeless
Your name is faithful in the battle
Glory in the struggle
Mighty it won't let us down or fail us
(Your name is power)
(Your name is power)

I know it is written hope is certain
I know that the Word will never fail
I know that in ev'ry situation
You speak the power to prevail Chorus

# Bridge

When You speak You scatter darkness
Light arrives and heaven opens
Holy Spirit let us hear it
When You speak the church awakens
We believe the change is coming
Holy Spirit let us see it (Repeat)

Tag

Your name is power over darkness Your name is power in the chaos Your name is power Chorus

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Large print copies of this Worship Bulletin and Bibles are available from an usher.

#### Communion

Those baptized and confirmed Christians who share our Lutheran confession of faith are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper with us. Since the Lord's Supper is a testimony of our unity in faith and love, those Christians of a different confession of faith who desire to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with a Pastor before worship. All are welcome to come to the altar and receive a blessing. The desire to receive a blessing can be indicated by crossing arms over the chest.

Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available. After communion, individual cups are to be placed in the baskets near the aisle. For further discussion and a guide to self-examination before communion, see the Holy Communion Guide in the pew pocket.

#### **Communion in the Pew**

Please notify an usher if you would like to be served communion in the pew.

#### **Care Needed During Worship**

Should you or anyone with you today experience a health-related problem, look for someone wearing a yellow lanyard/nametag (seated on the center aisle left side as you exit sanctuary). They have specialized training to assist you.

#### **Nursery Available**

Children are welcome in worship here at Zion but if a little one (or their parent) needs a short break the church lobby is available for walking and comforting. The nursery is located to the left as you exit the sanctuary if you should need a quiet space. Diaper changing stations are located in the handicapped stalls of the restrooms.