



*When they
saw the star,
they rejoiced
exceedingly
with great joy.*

Matthew 2:10, ESV



January 2 & 5, 2020

St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church

Juneau Salem-Lowell Horicon

The Epiphany of Our Lord

COME, LET US WORSHIP THE KING!

OPENING HYMN 80

“Angels from the Realms of Glory”

STAND

INVOCATION AND ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE

M: In the name of the Father,

C: who is the “Father of the heavenly lights.”

M: In the name of the Son,

C: who is the “Light of the world.”

M: In the name of the Holy Spirit,

C: who reveals that light to us through the gospel. Amen.

M: Arise! Shine! Your light has come and the glory of the Lord rises upon you.

C: The darkness of sin surrounds the earth. Nations upon nations are turning away from the Lord.

M: But you are honored to live in the Light of the Lord.

C: His glory and grace are shining on us.

M: The Lord is present.

C: Look! We are standing on holy ground!

M: Let us reflect the light of God’s love

C: so that others may live in his light!

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

RESPONSE TO THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS

**Songs of thankfulness and praise,
Jesus, Lord, to you we raise,
Manifested by the star
To the Magi from afar,
Branch of royal David's stem,
In your birth at Bethlehem.
Anthems be to you addressed,
God in man made manifest. (CW 82:1)**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Lord God, by the leading of a star you once made known to the nations your one and only Son. Guide us, also, who know him now by faith, to come at last to the perfect joy of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 60:1-6 (EHV)

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

²Look, darkness covers the earth,
and deep darkness covers the peoples,
but the LORD will dawn upon you,
and his glory will be seen over you.

³Nations will walk to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

⁴Look up. Look all around and see!
All of them have been gathered. They are coming to you.
Your sons will come from far away,
and people will carry your daughters on their side.
⁵Then you will look and be radiant.
Your heart will race with excitement and burst with joy.
For great riches from the sea will be delivered to you.
The wealth of the nations will come to you.
⁶Caravans of camels will cover your land,
young camels from Midian and Ephah.
All those from Sheba will come.
They will carry gold and incense,
and they will announce the good news of the praise of the LORD.

CHILDREN'S DEVOTION

PSALM 72

Printed on page 93 in the front of the hymnal. Please sing in unison.

EPISTLE LESSON

Ephesians 3:2-12 (EHV)

² Surely you have heard of the administration of God's grace given to me for you, ³ namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation (as I have already written briefly). ⁴ When you read this, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ. ⁵ This mystery was not made known to people in past generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets. ⁶ This mystery is that in Christ Jesus the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and people who also share in the promise through the gospel.
⁷ I became a servant of this gospel, in keeping with the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. ⁸ To me—even though I am the very least of all the saints—was given this grace: to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ ⁹ and to enlighten everyone about the administration of this mystery. In past ages this mystery remained hidden in God, who created all things. ¹⁰ He did this so that, through the church, the multifaceted wisdom of God in the heavenly places might now be made known to the rulers and authorities. ¹¹ This was done according to the eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. ¹² In him we can freely approach God with confidence through faith in him.

STAND

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12 (EHV)

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, when Herod was king, Wise Men from the east came to Jerusalem. They asked, ²“Where is he who has been born King of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.” ³When King Herod heard this, he was alarmed, and all Jerusalem with him. ⁴He gathered together all the people’s chief priests and experts in the law. He asked them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵They said to him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, because this was written through the prophet:

⁶You, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are certainly not least among the rulers of Judah: because out of you will come a ruler, who will shepherd my people, Israel.”

⁷Then Herod secretly summoned the Wise Men and found out from them exactly when the star had appeared. ⁸He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search carefully for the child. When you find him, report to me, so that I may also go and worship him.”

⁹After listening to the king, they went on their way. Then the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them, until it stood still over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw the star, they rejoiced with overwhelming joy. ¹¹After they went into the house and saw the child with Mary, his mother, they bowed down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹²Since they had been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they went back to their own country by another route.

BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY 91

“The Star Proclaims the King Is Here”

SERMON

Matthew 2:1-12

The Wise Men Put True Worship on Display

STAND

SERMON RESPONSE (CW 82 v. 5)

“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”

**Grant us grace to see you, Lord,
Mirrored in your holy Word.
May our lives and all we do
Imitate and honor you
That we all like you may be
At your great epiphany
And may praise you, ever blest,
God in man made manifest.**

BE SEATED

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN 83 vv. 1 & 3

“As With Gladness Men of Old”

Please stand and sing as the ushers bring the plates forward.

**As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold,
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright,
So, most gracious Lord, may we
Evermore your followers be.**

**As they offered gifts most rare
At your cradle, rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy,
Pure and free from sin’s alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to you, our heav’nly King.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH - EPIPHANY

M: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary’s son, in the fullness of time you came into our world to save us from sin and death:

C: **You ushered in the day of grace so long foretold.**

M: Beloved Son of the Father, revered by the Magi, baptized by John, you came preaching and teaching, healing and comforting, forgiving and encouraging:

C: **You brought the light of life to those walking in darkness, and the joy of salvation to those doomed to death.**

M: Prince of Peace, shine like a beacon for us and the people of our world. Let the good news of salvation be heard in the remotest corners of the earth. Open our own lips to speak your name to those around us who still live without faith or hope:

C: Arouse us and our missionaries to flood the world with the light of your gospel.

M: Lord of the Church, let your peace rule our hearts that we may use our gifts to serve you and each other in willing gratitude and joy. Watch over our loved ones near and far, that they may remember your love and rejoice in your salvation. Strengthen the faith of the sick and the disheartened. Give hope to those in despair and comfort those who mourn:

C: Be gracious to all and lead us to reflect your love in everything we say and do.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Finally, bring us and all your believers to the heavenly home where we will stand in the full light of your glory and with all your saints and angels sing the everlasting song of triumph and we join together and pray

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

M: Let us praise the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

BLESSING

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

HYMN 411

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

Hymn requested in honor of Charlotte Schmidt’s 100th Birthday

Preacher: Joel Luetke

Liturgist (Juneau): Paul Schupmann

Organist: Dale Grulke / Matt Lober

Open Forum

Our congregation wants your input!

*In the past, St. John's had Open Forum meetings a week prior to the Quarterly Voter's Meeting to allow our members the opportunity to ask questions and learn more about current events within our congregation. Now with three campuses, we are working harder than ever to be sure that communication between all campuses continues! **The traditional time for Open Forums is changing.** Please fill out the pink insert in this bulletin to give us your feedback regarding Open Forum's. (The next Voter's Meeting will be Sunday, January 26th at 6:30 PM at the Juneau Campus.) Thank you!*

Christmas Decorations: Salem-Lowell will be removing their Christmas decorations after church today, January 5th. Everyone is welcome to help!

Worship Attendance

12/22 Weekend 539
(40, 125, 167, 76, 131)
Christmas Eve 958
(313, 510, 135)
Christmas Day 298
(255, 43)
12/29 Weekend 376
(58, 146, 80, 92)

Offerings given to our Lord 12/22

General	\$14,298.98
Debt	\$701.90
Improvement	\$50.89
Lakeside	\$78.35
Missions	\$1,168.39
Total	\$16,298.51

Offerings given to our Lord 12/24

General	\$14,691.59
Debt	\$275.00
Improvement	\$5.00
Missions	\$7,775.00
Total	\$22,746.59

Offerings given to our Lord 12/25

General	\$8,654.29
Missions	\$1,165.00
Total	\$9,819.29

Offerings given to our Lord 12/29

General	\$11,526.88
Debt	\$1,577.00
Lakeside	\$78.35
Missions	\$602.39
Total	\$13,784.62

This Week at St. John's

Sunday (1/5)

- 8:00 AM Worship @ Juneau
8:30 AM *Gospel Motivation* Bible Class & Sunday School @ Lowell
9:15 AM *Gospel Motivation* Bible Class, Sunday School & Confirmation @ Juneau
9:30 AM Worship @ Lowell
10:30 AM Worship @ Juneau
11:30 AM Elders @ Juneau

Monday (1/6)

- 6:30 PM *Bible on Trial* Bible Class @ Lowell

Tuesday (1/7)

- 8:15 AM *When Christ Walked Among Us* Bible Class @ Juneau
10:00 AM *Luke* Bible Class @ Clearview
1:30 PM Jesus Cares @ Clearview

Wednesday (1/8)

- 8:15 AM Bible Information Class @ TBA
5:00 AM Confirmation @ Juneau
6:30 PM Trustees @ Juneau
7:00 PM Adult Choir @ Juneau

Thursday (1/9)

- 6:30 PM Worship w/ Communion @ Juneau

Saturday (1/11)

- 11:00 AM Blue Zones Potluck Moia @ Lowell
5:00 PM Worship with Communion @ Horicon

Sunday (1/12)

- 8:00 AM Worship w/ Communion @ Juneau
8:30 AM *Gospel Motivation* Bible Class & Sunday School @ Lowell
9:15 AM *Gospel Motivation* Bible Class, Sunday School & Confirmation @ Juneau
9:30 AM Worship w/ Communion @ Lowell
10:30 AM Worship w/ Communion @ Juneau

Gospel Motivation

This series has eight lessons.

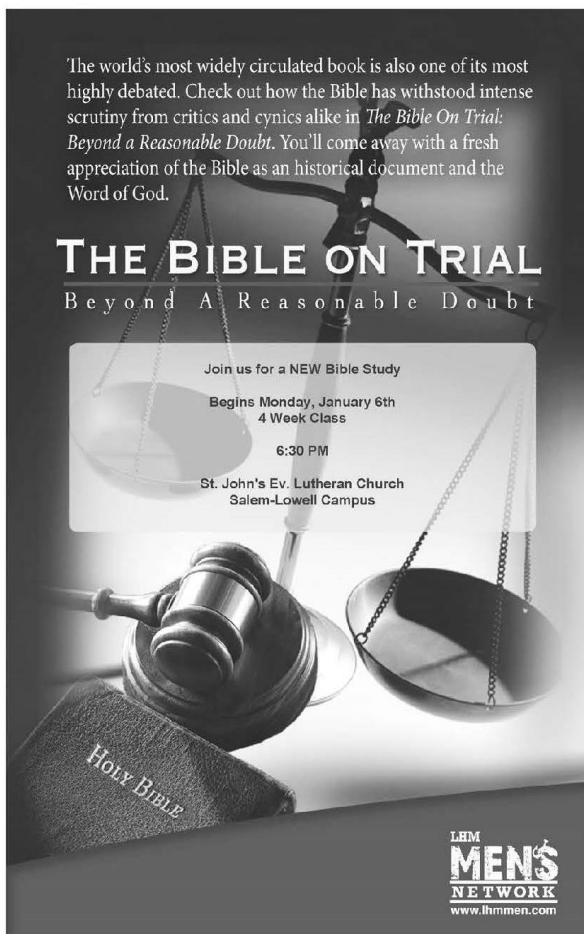
Starts Sunday, January 5th

Why do we do what we do? In this upcoming 8-week series, we will explore both Old and New Testament accounts that will remind us of a need for a Savior and show us his example of love and humility that moves us to forgive and reflect his love to others.

Our new Staff Minister, Ryan Kummerow, will be leading the Bible Study.

NEW BIBLE INFORMATION CLASS

We will be starting a new Bible Information Class (BIC) with Pastor Schupmann on Wednesday mornings at 8:15 AM beginning on January 8th. Please join us as we go over the basic truths of Scripture. All are invited to attend, especially those who are interested in possible church membership. Please contact the church office for the location (location will be determined based on the number of people attending.) Thank you!



The world's most widely circulated book is also one of its most highly debated. Check out how the Bible has withstood intense scrutiny from critics and cynics alike in *The Bible On Trial: Beyond a Reasonable Doubt*. You'll come away with a fresh appreciation of the Bible as an historical document and the Word of God.

THE BIBLE ON TRIAL

Beyond A Reasonable Doubt

Join us for a NEW Bible Study

Begins Monday, January 6th
4 Week Class

6:30 PM

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OLD TESTAMENT Bible Study

Old Testament Bible Study

Meets on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Tuesdays
Juneau Campus at 7:00pm

Our Tuesday evening Bible class with Pastor Brandt has been working its way through the Old Testament. We are currently in the book of Isaiah. Please feel free to jump in at any time as we meditate on God's Word and rejoice in his faithfulness as he continually points us to Jesus our Savior.



Kick off the New Year with some healthier eating habits and relationship building! Join Blue Zones Project Dodge County and St. John's for a Potluck Moai Launch. Come together for a common purpose to connect and enjoy a free, delicious, plant-slant meal. Soup and sides will be provided.

**Enter to win a copy
of the best-selling cookbook
*The Blue Zones Kitchen!***



Saturday, January 11 @ 11 a.m.

**St. John's Salem-Lowell Campus
Fellowship Hall**

105 Juneau Rd., Lowell

Questions? Contact Rachel at church@stjohnsjuneau.org



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Worship Services

(same service at all locations)

Thursday

6:30pm Juneau

Saturday

5:00pm Horicon

Sunday

8:00am Juneau

9:30am Lowell

10:30am Juneau

Bible Class & Sunday School

Sunday Bible Class and Sunday School
Juneau Campus 9:15-10:15
Salem-Lowell Campus 8:30-9:15 AM



WELCOME

We are so glad you joined us to worship our Lord Jesus today! St. John's is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). We are happy to answer your questions about our service, our beliefs, or communicant membership in either of our congregations.

Please join us again soon!

PERSONAL PRAYER AFTER WORSHIP

Good Shepherd, I was glad to be here, gathered with your flock to worship you. Cause the Word I have heard to take root in my heart and bear fruit in my life. Guide me in paths of righteousness, that my words and actions might lead others to glorify you. Amen.

St. John's Locations

Juneau Campus

920-386-3313
400 S. Main St.
Juneau, Wisconsin

Horicon Campus

920-386-3313
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Horicon, Wisconsin

Salem-Lowell

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Lowell, Wisconsin

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If you have difficulty hearing, we have a hearing loop installed at the Juneau Campus. Simply turn your hearing aid setting to "T" and it should pick up the frequency. If you don't have that setting on your hearing aid or don't have a hearing aid but need help listening to the service, there are a limited number of listening devices that you can pick up in the narthex. An usher will be able to help you