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From Pastor Ruth Ann



Epiphany!

January 6, Wednesday, is “Epiphany of our Lord”. This is the day we remember the Wise Men going to search and find Jesus. We pray the prayer of the day...

O God, on this day you revealed your Son to the nations by the leading of a star. Lead us now by faith to know your presence in our lives, and bring us at last to the full vision of your glory, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Epiphany does mean ‘manifestation’. Jesus has been made known, or made manifest (also revealed) to all nations through these Wise Ones who followed the new star in the sky. God’s Son didn’t come only for the Jewish people. God’s Son came to earth for all people!

People who studied the stars, maji, were not looked upon favorably by Jews. These astrologers (like the ones who studied what we saw on December 21st, just last month!), were guided to find the Holy Family. As it says in Matthew 2:1-12:

¹In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ²asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.” ... When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

As you know, each gift symbolized a particular meaning of Jesus’ life. Gold for his royalty as king,

frankincense as a priest would use, and myrrh for anointing of the dead.

What gifts can each of us bring to Jesus in this season of epiphany? Our hearts? Time to pray? Hope and thanks that a vaccine is coming? Knowing that Jesus was for all people, perhaps our gift could be inclusivity. Spend some time in thought about what gifts you want to bring to Jesus during January.

Walking it with you in the light!

Pastor Ruth Ann

Pastor Deb’s Faith Formation Notes



This year as most of us continue to spend a lot more time at home, consider blessing your home for the New Year. As Christians we know that God is with us wherever we are and wherever we go. Asking God to be with us in the New Year reminds us of God’s continued presence and makes home a sacred place.

You may simply offer a prayer and blessing at the door of your home or you may also go from room to room and say a prayer for each place. Ask for sustaining and nourishing food to be made in your kitchen or a good night’s rest in your bedroom.

Here is a prayer and blessing from our Advent devotion book (that you may already have a copy of) called “*Our Hope and Expectation*” from Augsburg Fortress.

O God, you revealed your Son to all people by the shining light of a star. We pray that you bless this home and all who live here with your gracious presence. May your love be our inspiration, your wisdom our guide, your truth our light, and your peace our benediction; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Happy New Year! *Pastor Deb*

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Sunday School for Preschool – 5th Grade

Join us for Sunday School beginning January 3 (by Zoom until we can be back in the building) at 9:45-10:30am every Sunday.

Confirmation Class – Middle School Youth

Sunday, January 10, 1:00-2:00pm by Zoom
Topic = Apostles’ Creed: Article 3

Sunday, January 24, 1:00-2:00pm by Zoom
Topic = The Lord's Prayer

Girl Talk for 6th-8th Grade Girls

Girl Talk is a peer-to-peer mentoring program designed to help girls learn leadership skills and self-confidence through practical experience. We meet every Tuesday night in the new year beginning on **January 5**. No need to sign up in advance, 6th-8th grade girls can join any time it works with their schedules! Thank you to our high school leaders Macy Mailander, Maddie Elder, Beilynn Geiss and Rebecca Smith and to our adult sponsors Cherie Mailander, Pam Phifer, Maddie Fairfax and Pastor Deb.

Man Cave for 5th-8th Grade Boys

Next Man Cave event will be **Tuesday, January 5, 7:00-8:00pm** by Zoom. Man Cave in 2021 will meet on the **first Tuesday** of every month, 7:00-8:00pm.

Cooking Challenge – High School Youth

January 22, 6:00-8:00pm by Zoom
Sign up today with Pastor Deb and you will receive special ingredients for this cooking challenge!

Summer High School Mission Trip - SAVE THE DATE

Camps are beginning to tentatively make plans for 2021. If you are a high school youth going into 9th grade or will have completed 12th you are invited to our Summer High School Mission Trip, July 16-25, 2021. If we are able, we will be going to Idaho and working with Idaho Servant Adventures through Lutherhaven Ministries, an ELCA camp. Sign up with Pastor Deb today!

Youth Service Opportunity

High School and Middle School youth and parents are invited to help pack food bags for KidsPak once again! Sign up today by contacting Pastor Deb to pack on Saturday, January 9, 9:30am-12:30pm at the Food Bank for Larimer County. Thank you!

The Giving Tree – Realities for Children

The Giving Tree at King of Glory was quite different in 2020 as we donated a carload of coats, hats, gloves and plenty of toys, games, and gift cards to Realities for Children. Judy Richardson and Lynn Hamilton coordinated receiving the gifts at church. The staff person at Realities indicated they will be distributing used and new bicycles as well as coats, gloves, hats and toys to over 900 children in

Loveland and Fort Collins. Thank you for your generous gifts!

Sky Ranch Lutheran Camp

Registration is not open yet but please **SAVE THE DATES** for camp in 2021!

Confirmation Intensive Camp

Middle School Youth – 6th – 8th grade
June 20-25, 2021

Family Camp

July 4-9, 2021

KOG Week at Camp

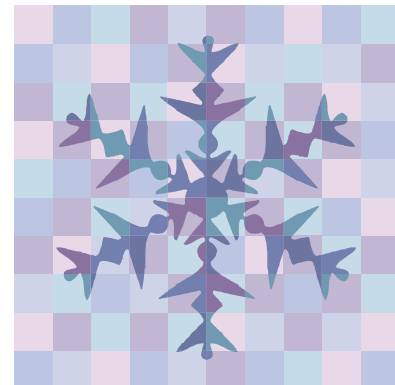
August 1-6, 2021

Round Up – completed 1st - 3rd grade
Homesteaders – completed 3rd – 5th grade

Now Hiring Summer Staff - Applications are now open for summer staff to apply for Summer 2021! If you know or are a young adult who would love to work at Sky Ranch please let Pastor Deb know or contact Brad Abbott at 970-493-5258 or brad@skyranchcolorado.org.

December 27 and January 3 Worship: Leadership Team announcement

Due to Christmas being on Friday, we're going to give our worship team including Leo Salazar (who volunteers his time) a little break over the holidays. There will only be short videos and/or devotions for the weekend of December 27 and January 3. Thank you for your understanding! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



ZOOM- Meet Us On-Line or Phone in!

If you would like to join in on the fun of Zoom, but don't know how or are having trouble, email Pr Ruth Ann for help! Don't be left out!

You don't have to use a computer or smart phone or download the ZOOM app, you can call in on any phone and be a part of it all! You do not need to have Zoom to watch pre-recorded worship. Find worship videos on our website at www.kingofgloryloveland.com under Worship Tab. OR simply click on the 'Worship Link' that is in our Saturday email. Questions? Call 303-854-4737



Sunday Adult Education at 10:00am

Resumes on January 3 – topic will be Mark's Gospel
Join us on ZOOM -

Meeting ID: 881 9144 7136

Passcode: 739134

Or Dial in +1 669 900 6833

Thursday Bible Study

Thursday morning Bible study **9:30am on ZOOM!**

Meeting ID: 890 0393 1194

Passcode: 983519

Or Dial in +1 346 248 7799



Lectio Divina

The prayer practice of engaging God's word. Join us on ZOOM, **Fridays at 1:00pm.**

Meeting ID: 841 3818 0839

Passcode: 286075

Dial in +1 346 248 7799



Our New Leadership Team for 2021

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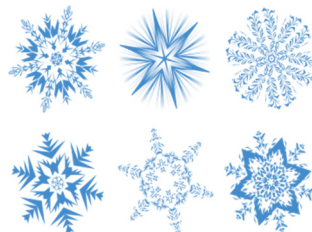
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*"As God's People, Graced by Differences, Nurtured by the Spirit,
and Gifted to Serve, We Invite and Welcome All to Grow in Faith."*

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**Happy
New Year**

January 2021

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