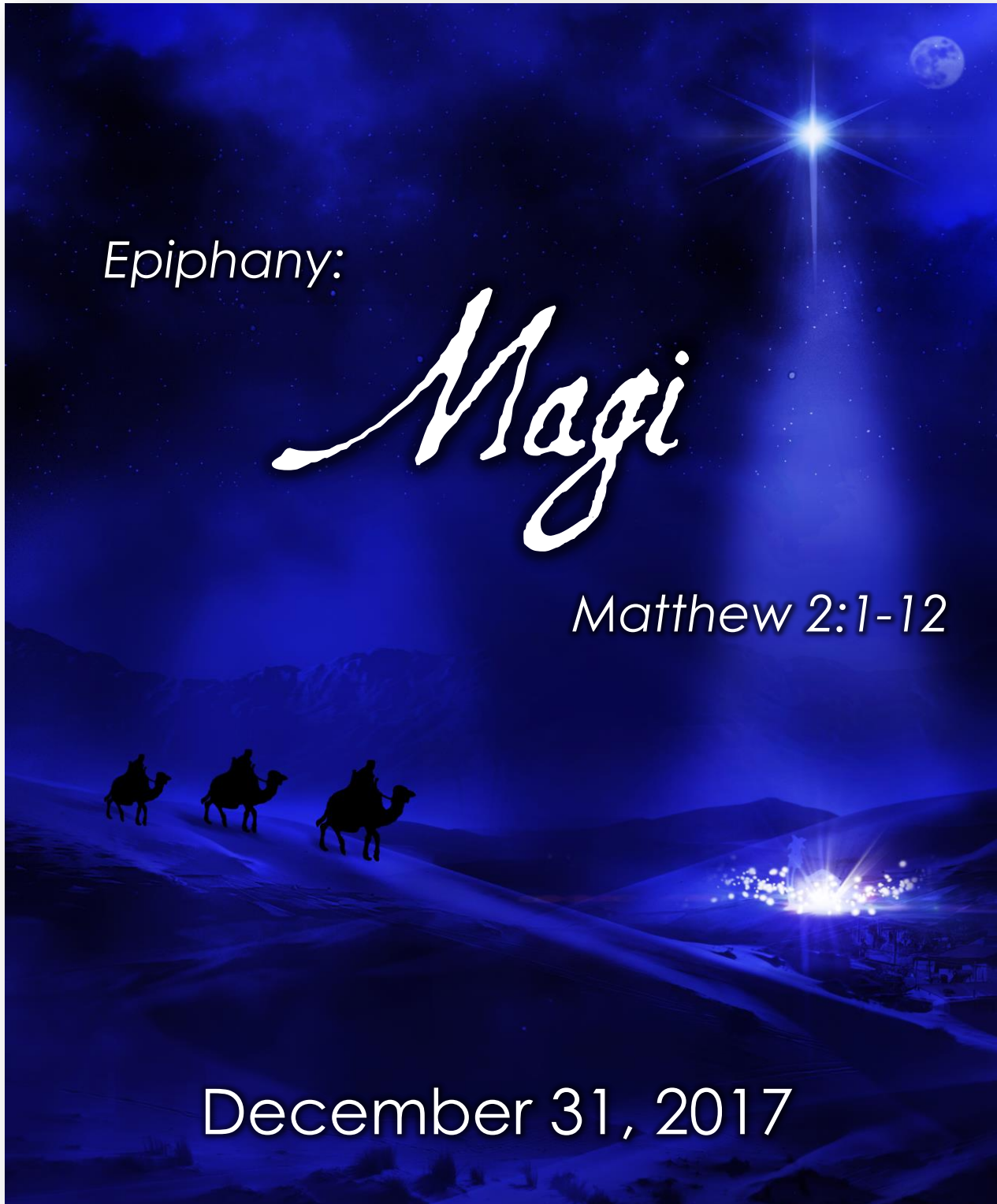


Epiphany:

# Magi

Matthew 2:1-12

December 31, 2017



## **PRELUDE**

“As With Gladness Men of Old”

arr. Michael Burkhardt

*Organ*

## **WELCOME and RELATIONSHIPS of PEACE**

**OPENING HYMN “As With Gladness Men of Old” [LW 75, v. 1-3]**

## **OPENING LITURGY**

### **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 60:1-6 [NIV]**

<sup>1</sup>“Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you. <sup>2</sup>See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the LORD rises upon you and his glory appears over you. <sup>3</sup>Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. <sup>4</sup>“Lift up your eyes and look about you: All assemble and come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried on the hip. <sup>5</sup>Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come. <sup>6</sup>Herds of camels will cover your land, young camels of Midian and Ephah. And all from Sheba will come, bearing gold and incense and proclaiming the praise of the LORD.

**R:** This is the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God!**

### **HOLY GOPSEL Matthew 2:1-12 [NIV]**

<sup>1</sup>After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem <sup>2</sup>and asked, “Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.”

<sup>3</sup>When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. <sup>4</sup>When he had called together all the people’s chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. <sup>5</sup>“In Bethlehem in Judea,” they replied, “for this is what the prophet has written:

<sup>6</sup>“ ‘But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,  
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;  
for out of you will come a ruler  
who will shepherd my people Israel.’ ”

<sup>7</sup>Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup>He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him.”

<sup>9</sup>After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup>When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. <sup>11</sup>On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. <sup>12</sup>And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

**P:** This is the Gospel of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## **APOSTLE’S CREED**

## **SERMON HYMN “We Three Kings of Orient Are”**

## **SERMON “FLIGHT TO EGYPT”**

## **PEOPLE of PEACE in PRAYER**

## **THE LORD’S PRAYER** *The Family Prayer of the People of God*

## **WORDS of INSTITUTION**

## **THE PEACE**

## **OFFERING**

*(Before Communing, please take time to read our statement of faith found in the pew rack in front of you; fill out and place your attendance card and offering in the basket as you come forward.)*

## **DISTRIBUTION MUSIC**

**“What is this Bread”** [LSB 629]

**“Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord”** [LW 240]

**“Abide With Me”** [LW 490]

**CLOSING HYMN “As With Gladness Men of Old” [LW 75, v. 4-5]**

**CONNECT**

- College Get Together | Thursday, January 4 | 5pm @ Kindred Coffee
- Youth Ice Skating | Saturday, January 6 | Noon-1:30pm | \$6 | Register Online!
- Un-Decorating Day | Sunday, January 7 | Noon | Light lunch provided
- Glorybound 2018 Registration Now Open – Deadline to Register: February 1

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE “Three Kings’ March”**

arr. Michael Barker

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