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“GOD IN FLESH MADE MANIFEST!” Welcome to Pilgrim Lutheran Church, where the Divine nature is revealed today in the Man Jesus Christ through Word and Sacrament for the forgiveness of our sins, just as it was revealed by a star, at Jordan’s stream, at a wedding in Cana, in a Nazareth synagogue, Capernaum home, and the Mount of Transfiguration. (See *LSB* 394.) We are glad that you are here this day and invite you to come again any time for any of our activities!

AS YOU ARRIVE, please move down the pew towards the wall, in order to leave room for others. If you arrive late, please wait for an appropriate time to enter the sanctuary, such as during a hymn. Please also remember to turn off your cell phones and/or any other electronic devices. Thank you!

ORDER OF SERVICE: To your right you will find today's order of service. The right side of that outline indicates from where the item listed comes: either in this bulletin or the hymnal, *Lutheran Service Book*, with the Psalms towards the front, its liturgical pages towards the middle, and its hymns towards the back. The △ symbol before a hymn stanza indicates that it especially gives glory to the Triune God; we stand before singing the stanza and, in most cases, conclude the stanza by singing “Amen.”, if an “Amen” is not already included.

HOLY COMMUNION: At Pilgrim we value your presence among us and love and care about our guests and visitors! However, due to the sad divisions that exist in the world and even in Christianity, we cannot commune everyone at the Lord's Table here. We respectfully ask that guests and visitors who desire to commune first speak with the pastor well before the service. All those present but not communing still may approach the rail for a blessing: come forward and kneel with those who are communing, but fold your arms over your heart and place your hands on the opposite shoulders. For more information about the ancient practice of Closed Communion, see <http://www.pilgrimlc.org/closed-communion>.

INDIVIDUAL CUPS: The top of the tray contains several individual cups of highly-diluted wine. If you receive the blood of Christ in an individual cup, please be sure to wait to consume it until Pastor comes by with the chalice, so that he knows you are receiving it in that fashion. If the supply of individual cups is depleted, please accept the blood of Christ from the chalice.

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+++ TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY +++

SERVING TODAY: The Rev. Dr. Jayson S. Galler, Pastor; Remo Gualtieri, Elder on Duty; and Elaine Navaille, Accompanist.

STUDY HOURS: Pastor Galler is usually in his study Tuesdays from 5:00-8:00 p.m., Wednesdays through Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, and Saturdays Noon to 3:00 p.m. Come for Individual Confession and Absolution (see *Lutheran Service Book* 292-293) or for any other reason. Pastor Galler is also available at other times by appointment at Pilgrim, or he can come to you (email pastor@pilgrimlc.org or text/call 903-984-4333). For emergency pastoral care, please *call* Pastor Galler

“ALL THE PROPHETS TESTIFY”: Pilgrim’s Midweek Bible Study resumes tomorrow, January 7, at 7:00 p.m. with Jonah 3:1-3 and 4-10. All of the prophetic books testify that everyone who believes in Jesus receives life in His Name (Acts 10:42-43). All people are welcome to participate in the Study, either in-person in the Conference Room/Library or on-line via Jitsi. For more information and for the handouts and audio and video files from past sessions, see <https://www.pilgrimlc.org/bible-studies/prophets>.

CATECHESIS: This Thursday, January 8, Pastor Galler will continue both the youth class starting at 4:15 p.m. via Jitsi and the family class starting at 7:00 p.m. in-person in the Conference Room/Library.

NEXT SUNDAY: 9:15 a.m. Refreshments; 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class (“Romans: The Righteousness of God”); and 10:45 a.m. Divine Service.

Readings: Is 42:1-9; Ps 29:1-11; Ro 6:1-11; and Mt 3:13-17.

Hymns: LSB 402, 406, 537, 601, 398, and 401.

Prepare yourself for worship in advance by praying about, reading over, and meditating on the appointed Scripture Readings and Hymns.

JANUARY ELDERS’ MEETING: Due to this Epiphany Divine Service and Pastor Galler’s vacation, Pilgrim’s Board of Elders in December voted to forego what would be its next regular Meeting on January 13. If circumstances warrant, a briefer, special-purpose meeting will be held at another time. Please let Pastor Galler, your Elder, or one of the other Elders know if there is something that you think needs to be addressed.



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

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