

Online Epiphany Sunday Worship

Introduction

This Epiphany Season we remember that the Magi travelled to see Jesus, the first Gentiles that he was shown to. Matthew speaks simply of 'wise men from the east'; but tradition has imagined there were three, made them kings and given them names — Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. This makes Epiphany a good season to pray for the worldwide mission of the Church. We will also remember the conversion of Paul, the Apostle to the Gentiles, the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, the celebration of Christ's baptism, Jesus' first miracle in Cana when he turned water into wine and the Presentation of Jesus to Anna and Simeon.

Welcome

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you and also with you.

Saying Sorry to God

Because God is full of mercy, let us say sorry for the things we have done wrong, and come to him with all that we have.

Lord Jesus, shine your light in the darkness in our hearts: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, open our eyes to your wonderful love: Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, unstop our ears to hear your living word: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw us to himself, that we may behold the glory of his Son, the Word made flesh, and be cleansed from all our sins, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect

Readings

Talk

The Creed

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high. We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Hymn

Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in the presence of God here among us, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

Our Father...

The Peace

Christ is our peace. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. The old has passed away: behold, everything has become new. The peace of the Lord be always with you, and also with you.

Blessing and Dismissal

May God the Father, who led the wise men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from light, lead *us* also in *our* pilgrimage to find the Lord.

Amen.

May God the Son, who turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform *our* lives and make glad *our* hearts. **Amen**.

May God the Holy Spirit, who came upon the beloved Son at his baptism in the river Jordan, pour out his gifts on *us* who have come to the waters of new birth. **Amen**.

Let us go in peace.

We go into the world to walk in God's light, to rejoice in God's love and to reflect God's glory. Amen.

Thank you for joining us

If you'd like to make a quick drink and stay with us for "coffee and conversation" please do.

Stay Safe

Keep Warm