Service of Holy Communion

The Epiphany of Our Lord
(Observed)
3 January 2018
The assembly is invited to stand, turn and face the baptismal font.
P: Arise, shine, for your Light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. (Isaiah 60:1)

Entrance Hymn

Hymn of Praise: Gloria in Excelsis

Salutation and Collect of the Day

First Reading

Gospel Acclamation Hymn

Gospel Reading

Homily

Hymn of the Day

Prayers of the Church

Offertory Hymn

Service of the Sacrament

Communion Music

Dismissal

Post-Communion Collect
Post-Service Music

The Servants of the Word
Presider: Chaplain Paul Sieveking
Preacher: Professor Joel Okamoto
Assistants: Seminarians Andrew Coop
Organist: Professor David Maxwell

In Preparation for Communion

To Our Guests:

The Lord's Supper is celebrated on our campus in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased.

-Kent J. Burreson, Dean of the Chapel

Notes Regarding Communion

• The campus Lord’s Supper is sponsored and hosted by the Lutheran Church of St. Andrew and Pastors Mark Hricko and Steve Miller of Silver Spring, Maryland.
• When receiving the cup to partake of Christ Jesus’ blood, please place your hand on the cup in some way to assist the server in guiding it to your mouth. Depending upon how those distributing the cup are holding it, you can either take hold of the cup at the base on the bottom OR on the stem of the chalice OR at the bowl itself on the upper part. By doing so you will assist the server and help to prevent any unwelcome spillage.
• The Reliquary (unconsecrated, additional bread) will be distributed after the service in the narthex if there is sufficient quantity. You are invited to take a piece with you.
• If you would prefer not to drink wine directly from the chalice, you may intinct the bread by dipping it into the chalice.
• If you have a gluten allergy or any other special need, please contact Dean of the Chapel Kent Burreson.
**Prayer Requests**

- Persecuted Christians: Iraq; Syria; Liberia; Libya; Malawi
- Partner Church Bodies: The Independent Evangelical Lutheran Church of Germany (SELK) led by Bishop Hans-Jörg Voigt
- Synodical Leaders: Synodical President Matthew Harrison
- Districts and District Presidents: New Jersey District led by President Anthony Steinbronn
- Concordia Theological Seminary: President Larry Rast; Professors Walter Maier and Naomichi Masaki
- Concordia University System: Concordia College-New York led by President John Nunes
- The Poor and Those Suffering from Natural and Humanly-Designed Disasters: Las Vegas, Nevada and those affected by the mass shooting; Texas, Louisiana, Florida, California, Puerto Rico, Mexico, Bangladesh, Nepal, and India
- Those who are ill/undergoing surgery: Rev. Erich Kaelberer suffering from ALS; Carol Hoefer, wife of Dr. Herb Hoefer, Professor Emeritus at Concordia, Portland, undergoing chemotherapy treatments; JoAnn Zieroth, wife of Director of Vicarage Gary Zieroth at CTS, battling cancer; Dr. John Kleinig, Professor Emeritus, Lutheran Seminary, Australia, recovering from surgery; Pastor Andrew Johnson, undergoing chemotherapy; Gillian Bond’s friend, Trevor, battling a very serious form of cancer; Jesse Collins, member of the CW maintenance staff of the seminary, who has been diagnosed with cancer; Lisa Schrader, member of the seminary staff in the Accounting office, approaching surgery and treatment for cancer
- Those Mourning

Reflections on the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday, from Matthew 2, from Ted and Rick (dark nose) by LCMS Pastor James Wetzstein (Agnus Day appears with the permission of www.agnusday.org).