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**An Epiphany blessing**  
**ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton Weekly Video Message**  
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This week, we move from Christmas to Epiphany. Christmas, when the presence of the Lord just seemed everywhere. And now the decorations just seem a little old. My mother says, "There's nothing as over as Christmas."

And it might seem also that we're heading into a barren time of the year. But the promise of Christmas is that God is with us always, that the love of Christ is present with us in our homes and that the Spirit helps us to be open to receiving that love.

When we're home, I'd like us to remember this prayer for our homes at Epiphany:  
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.

Be well, dear church.