

The Epiphany of the Lord January 3, 2021

Introductory Rites

Gathering The First Noel the 1. The first No - well an - gel did Was to say 4. This drew nigh north - west, O'er star to the 5. Then en tered in those wise men three, Full cer - tain poor shep - herds In in fields as they lay; Beth le - hem it took its rest; And rev 'rent - ly up on their knee, And fields where they lay keep - ing their On sheep, a did both there it stop and stay Right of fered there his pres Their in ence _ _ win - ter's night deep. cold that was SO 0 ver the place where Je sus lay. myrrh and frank in gold and cense. 0 No well, No - well, No - well, -No - well! the King

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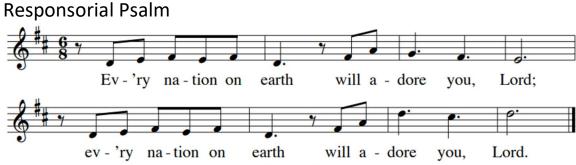


Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6 / 20

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem!	Then you shall be radiant at
Your light has come,	what you see,
the glory of the Lord shines upon you.	your heart shall throb and overflow,
See, darkness covers the earth,	for the riches of the sea shall be
and thick clouds cover the peoples;	emptied out before you,
but upon you the Lord shines,	the wealth of nations shall be brought
and over you appears his glory.	to you.
Nations shall walk by your light,	Caravans of camels shall fill you,
and kings by your shining radiance.	dromedaries from Midian and Ephah;
Raise your eyes and look about;	all from Sheba shall come
they all gather and come to you:	bearing gold and frankincense,
your sons come from afar,	and proclaiming the praises of the
and your daughters in the arms of	Lord.
their nurses.	



- O God, with your judgment endow the king; with your justice endow the king's son.
 With justice he will govern your people, your afflicted ones with right judgment.
- 2. Justice shall flow'r in his days, lasting peace 'til the moon be no more. May he rule from sea to sea, from the river to the ends of the earth.
- The kings of Tarshish and the Isles offer gifts, those from Seba and Arabia bring tribute.
 All kings shall pay him their homage, all nations shall serve him.
- 4. He rescues the poor when they cry out, the afflicted with no one to help. The lowly and poor he shall pity, the lives of the poor he will save.

Second Reading

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promises in Christ Jesus through the gospel.



Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet:

And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah,

are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler,

who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the

star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

Homily

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day

Nicene Creed

in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

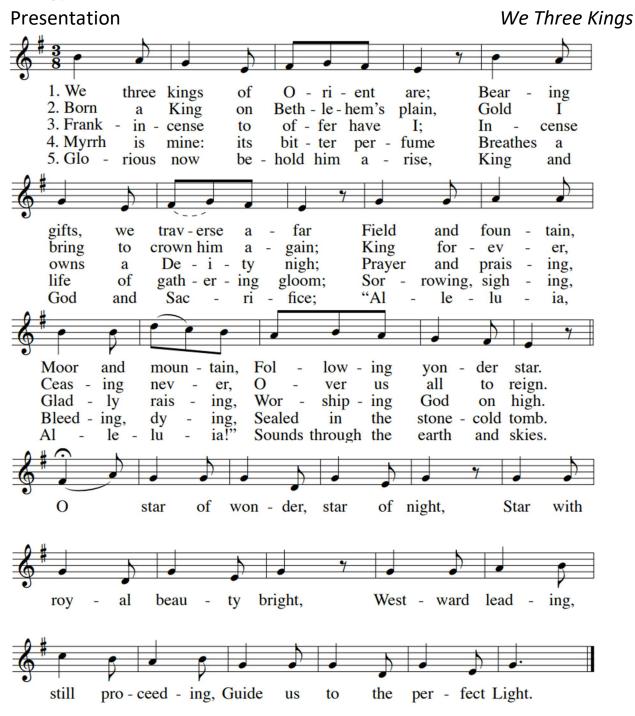
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

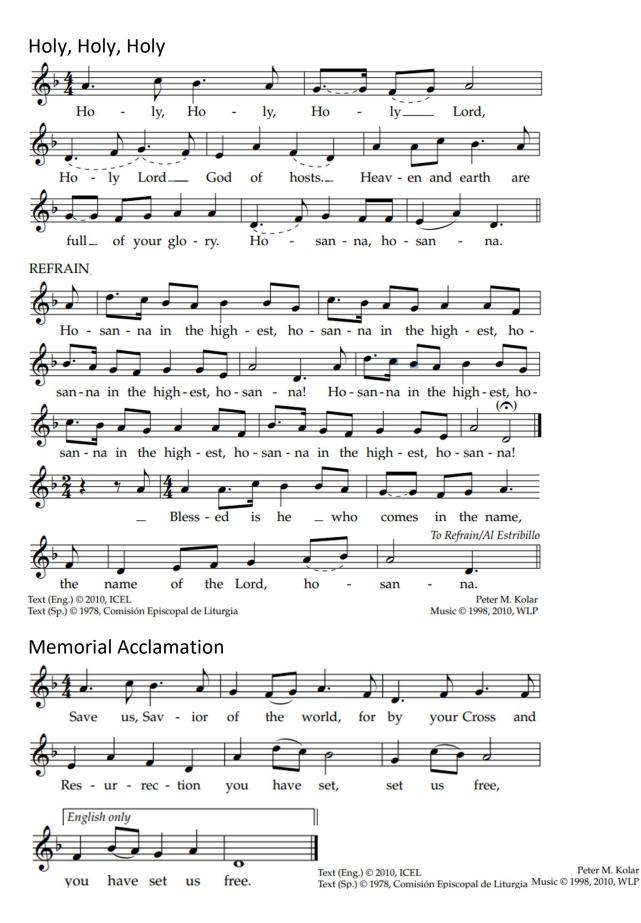
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the Faithful (Rx: Lord, Hear Our Prayer)

Liturgy of the Eucharist



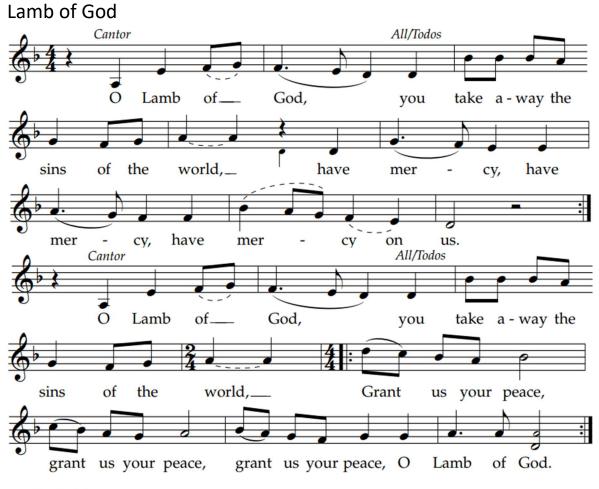
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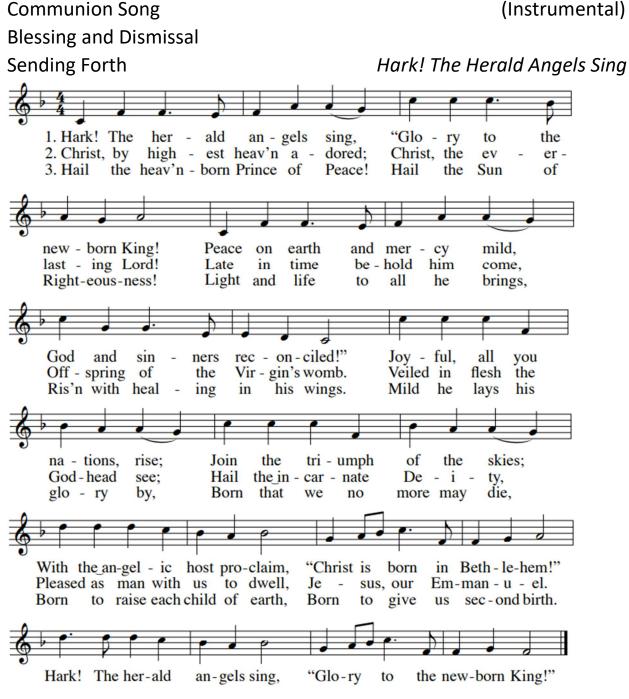


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Lord's Prayer Sign of Peace



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