

ST. ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH

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The Christmas Pageant
The Fourth Sunday in Advent
December 21, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.



Welcoming All, Worshipping Christ Witnessing God's Love



Welcome to our historic, living church where the saints have gathered to worship since 1706!

If you are visiting us, please take a welcome brochure, located in the card rack on the back of the pew, and fill out the visitor card. Please place the visitor card in the offering plate or leave it with an usher.

Regarding Holy Communion

Our altar is The Lord's Table and all baptized Christians (baptized in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit) are welcome to receive Holy Communion here.

In the Anglican tradition, Communion is received in two kinds: in the Bread and in the Wine. The Bread is offered first and is typically placed in one's open palm. After hearing the words "The Body of Christ, the bread of Heaven," the bread is ready to be consumed. A chalice bearer will then offer the Wine.

We offer two chalices for Holy Communion. The first, smaller chalice is for intinction (dipping the wafer into the chalice.) The second, larger chalice is for consumption. If you would prefer to drink from the cup, please hold the wafer in front of you until the larger chalice is offered

If you or your children are not baptized, or are not yet receiving communion, you may receive a blessing at the altar rail from the Priest. Simply cross your hands over your chest as you kneel at the rail.

Ladies, please "blot" your lipstick prior to receiving communion, as this will help preserve our beautiful altar linens.



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The Welcome from the Rector

The Reverend Marshall Huey

The Introit

Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah



1. Light one can-dle to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
2. Light two can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
3. Light three can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
4. Light four can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.



He shall bring sal - va - tion to Is - ra - el, God ful - fills his prom - ise.
He shall feed the flock like a shep - herd, gent - ly lead them home - ward.
Lift your heads and lift high the gate - way for the King of glo - ry.
He is com - ing, tell the glad tid - ings. Let your lights be shin - ing!

Text: Wayne L. Wold (b. 1954)

Music: Yiddish folk tune, arr. Wayne L. Wold.

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The Lighting of the Fourth Advent Candle

The Beckmanns

On the Fourth Sunday in Advent we light this candle and remember the carpenter Joseph, the father of our Lord.

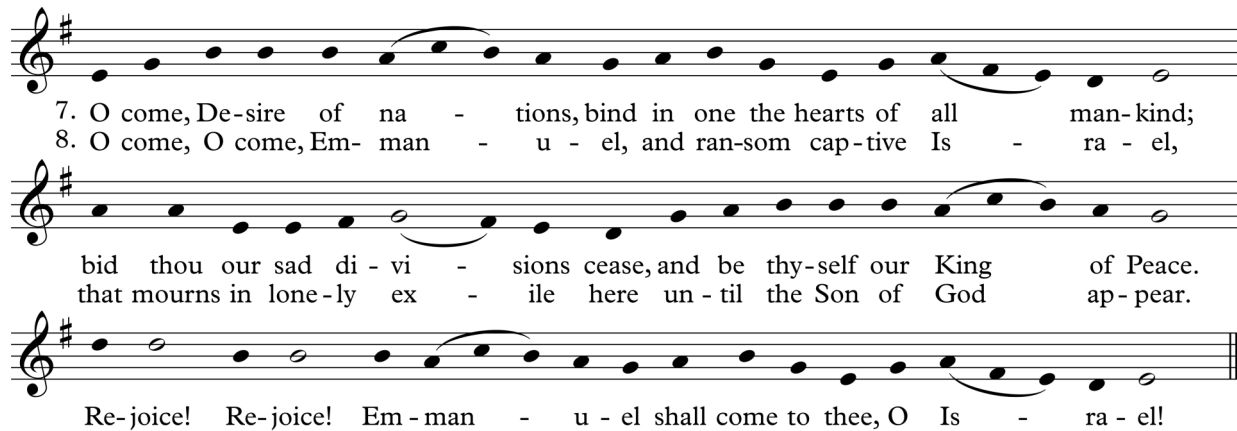
A Reading from Matthew 1:20–21.

But as Joseph considered his betrothal to Mary, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” (Matthew 1:20–21)

Today we give thanks for the witness of Joseph, who guided and protected our Lord as his Father. Quietly he listened to the angel, married Mary, and led her to the stable in Bethlehem. Faithfully he fled to Egypt to protect the baby Jesus from the murderous Herod. Years later Joseph led his family to Nazareth, where our Lord would grow into maturity and begin his ministry

Let us pray.

O God, who from the family of your servant David raised up Joseph to be the guardian of your Son and husband of his virgin mother: Give us grace to imitate his uprightness of life and his obedience to your commands; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.



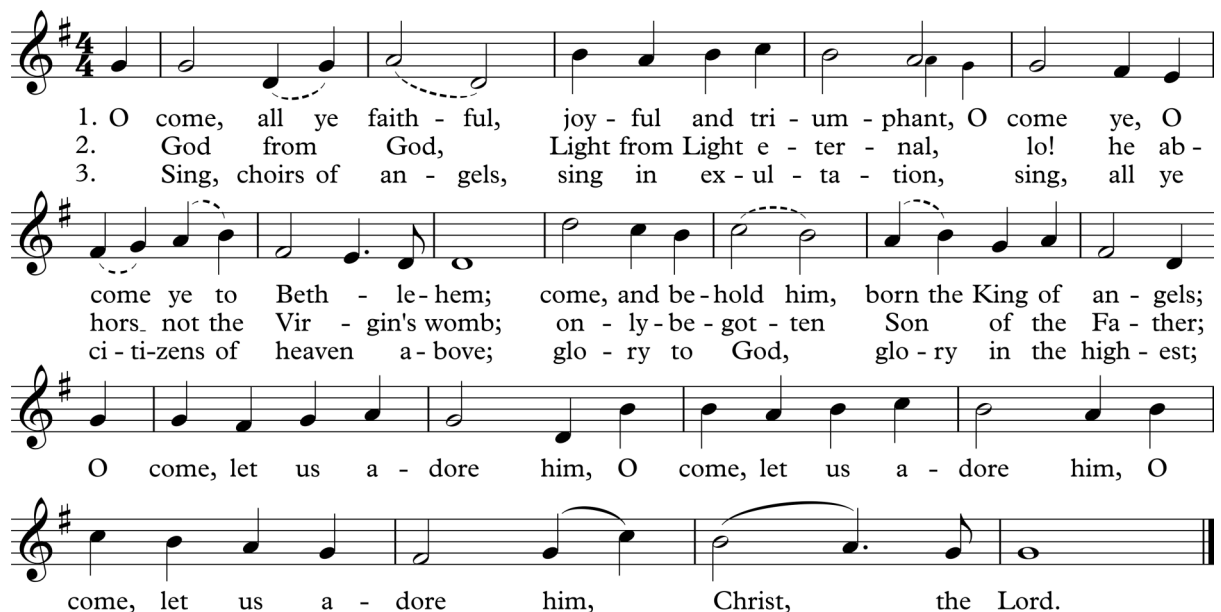
7. O come, De-sire of na - tions, bind in one the hearts of all man-kind;
8. O come, O come, Em- man - u - el, and ran-som cap-tive Is - ra - el,
bid thou our sad di - vi - sions cease, and be thy-self our King of Peace.
that mourns in lone-ly ex - ile here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
Re-joice! Re-joice! Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Text: Latin, ca. 9th cent.; ver. *Hymnal* 1940, alt.Music: VENI, EMMANUEL, plainsong, Mode 1, *Processionale*, 15th cent.; adapt. Thomas Helmore (1811-1890)The Holy Gospel (*Read from the Altar. Please remain standing.*)

John 1:1-14

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.**People:** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord. **People:** Praise to you, Lord Christ.The Hymn of Praise (*Standing*)*Adeste Fidelis*


1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O come ye, O
2. God from God, Light from Light e - ter - nal, lo! he ab -
3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion, sing, all ye
come ye to Beth - le - hem; come, and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
hors. not the Vir - gin's womb; on - ly - be - got - ten Son of the Fa - ther;
ci - ti - zens of heaven a - bove; glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est;
O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, O
come, let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord.

Text: John Francis Wade (1711-1786); tr. Frederick Oakeley (1802-1880) and others
Music: ADESTE FIDELIS, present form of melody att. John Francis Wade

The Collect (*Standing*)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

***People:* And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born this day of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the same Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

The First Reading (*Seated*)

Luke 1:26-33

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin named Mary, who was betrothed to Joseph. Joseph was a descendant of King David, the greatest king of Israel. And the angel Gabriel said to Mary, "Greetings to you, Mary! The Lord is with you!" But Mary was very afraid and did not understand what the angel meant. So the angel Gabriel explained to her, "You have found favor with God, Mary. You will have a son, and name him Jesus. The Lord God will give him the throne of King David and his kingdom will never end."

The First Responsive Hymn (*Seated*)

Gabriel's Message

1. The an - gel Ga - bri - el from hea - ven came, his
2. "For known a bless - ed Mo - ther thou shalt be, all
3. Then gen - tle Ma - ry meek - ly bowed her head, "To
wings as drift - ed snow, his eyes as flame; "All
gen - er - a - tions laud and hon - or thee, thy
me be as it pleas - eth God," she said, "my
hail," said he, "thou low - ly maid - en Ma - ry, most
Son shall be Em - man - u - el, by seers for - told, most
soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy his ho - ly Name." Most
high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - - - ri - a!
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high - ly fa - vored la - dy, Glo - - - ri - a!

Text: Basque carol; para. Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924)
Music: GABRIEL'S MESSAGE, Basque carol

The Second Reading (*Seated*)

Luke 2:1-5

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. And all went to be taxed, every one to his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, into the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David), to be taxed with Mary his wife, being great with child.

The Second Responsive Hymn (*Seated*)

O Little Town of Bethlehem

**O little town of Bethlehem,
how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by;
yet in thy dark streets shineth
the everlasting Light;
the hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight.**

**For Christ is born of Mary;
and gathered all above,
while mortals sleep, the angels keep
their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars, together
proclaim the holy birth!
and praises sing to God the King,
and peace to men on earth.**

The Third Reading (*Seated*)

Luke 2:6-7

And so it was, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger; because there was no place for him in the inn.

The Third Responsive Hymn (*Seated*)

Away in a Manger

**Away in a manger no crib for his bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the sky looked down where he lay
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.**

**The cattle are lowing the baby awakes.
But little Lord Jesus no crying He makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky,
And stay by my side until morning is nigh.**

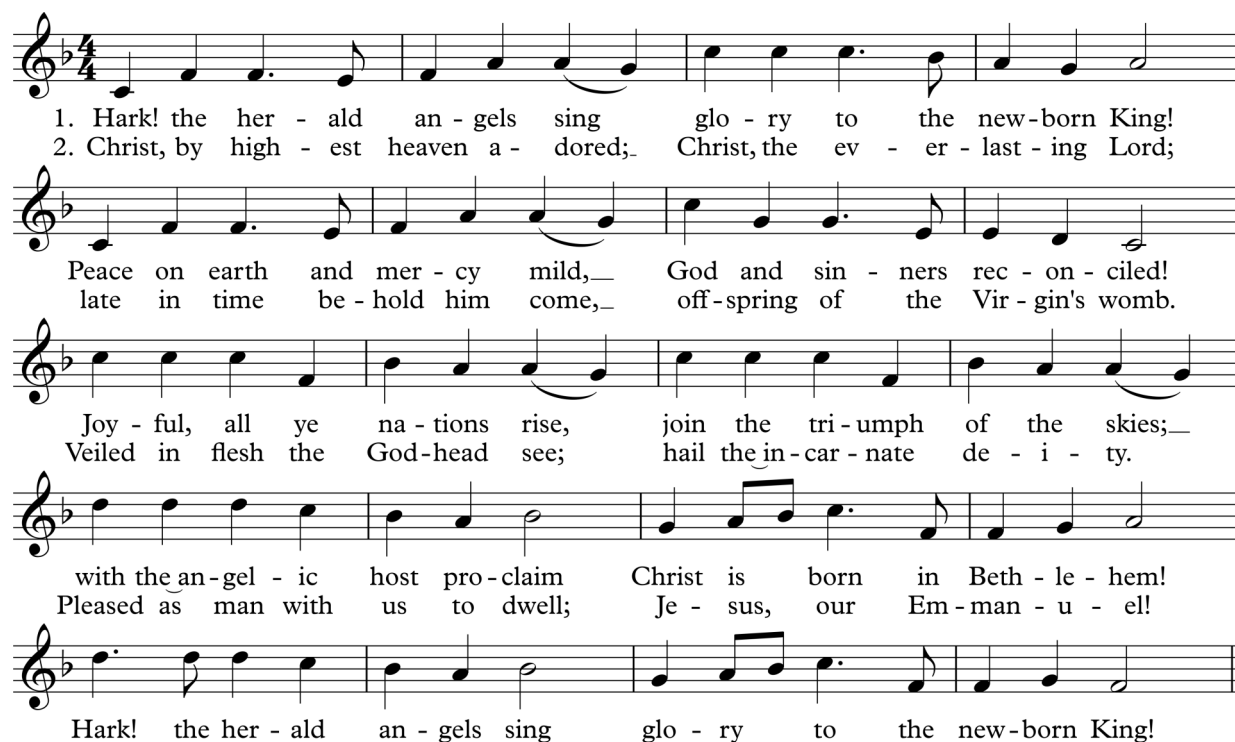
The Fourth Reading (*Seated*)

Luke 2:8-14

And there were in the same country shepherds, abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were afraid. And the angel said unto them: "Fear not; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men."

The Fourth Responsive Hymn (*Seated*)

Mendelssohn



1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King!
 2. Christ, by high - est heaven a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;
 Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!
 late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
 Joy - ful, all ye na - tions rise, join the tri - umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God-head see; hail the in - car - nate de - i - ty.
 with the an - gel - ic host pro - claim Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!
 Pleased as man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!
 Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King!

Text: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.

Music: MENDELSSOHN, Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847); adapt. William H. Cummings (1831-1915)

The Fifth Reading (*Seated*)

Luke 2:15-16

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known to us" And the shepherds came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in the manger.

The Fifth Responsive Hymn (*Seated*)

The First Nowell

1. The first No - well the an-gel did say was to cer-tain poor shep-herds in
 2. They look - ed up and saw a star shin-ing in the east be-

fields as they lay; in fields as they lay, keep - ing their
 yond them far, and to the earth it gave great

sheep, on a cold win - ter's night, that was so deep.
 light, and so it con - tin - ued both day and night.

No - well, No - well, No - wel, No - well, born is the King of Is - ra - el.

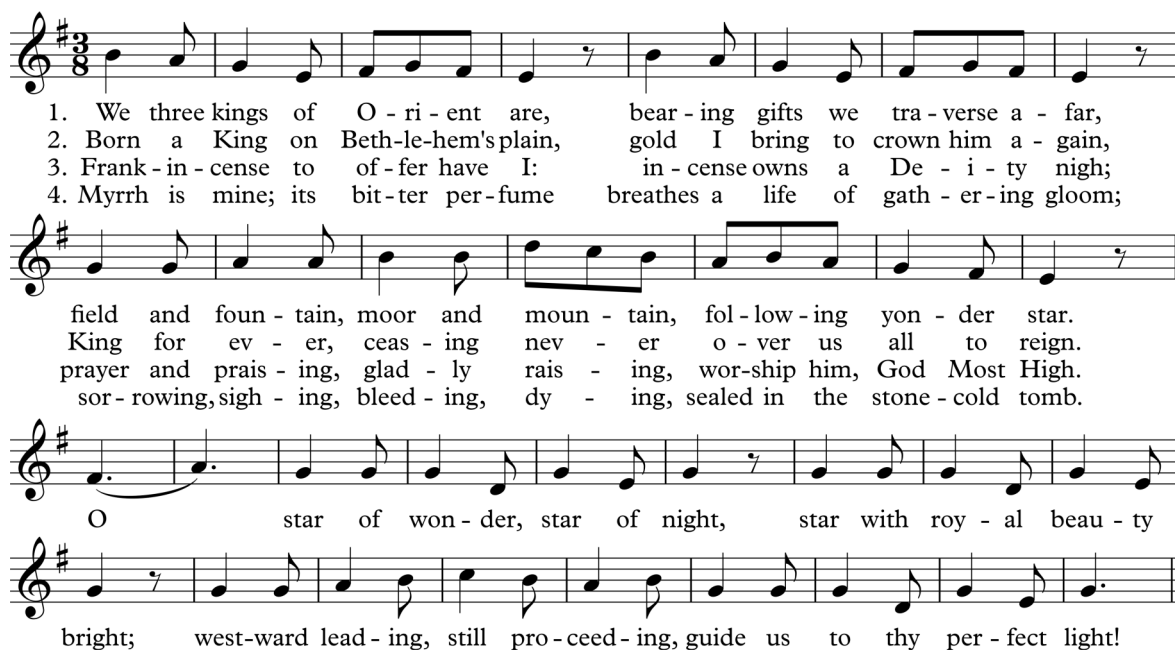
Text: English carol, 18th cent.
 Music: THE FIRST NOWELL, English carol, 17th cent.

The Sixth Reading (*Seated*)

Matthew 2:1-10

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the King, behold, there came wise men from the East to Jerusalem saying, “Where is he that is born King of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East and are come to worship him.” When Herod the King had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them, “Where will the Christ child be born?” And they said unto him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for thus it is written by the prophet, and thou Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, art not the least among princes of Judah; for out of thee shall come a governor that shall rule my people Israel.” Then Herod, when he had called the wise men, inquired of them what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, “Go and search for the young child, and when you have found him, bring me word again, that I may go and worship him also.” When they had heard the king, they left for Bethlehem; and lo, the star, which they saw in the East, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

The Congregation will sing verse 1 and the choruses. Soloists: Bo Bartlett, Marshall Weir, and Robin York.



1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are, bear - ing gifts we tra - verse a - far,
 2. Born a King on Beth-le-hem's plain, gold I bring to crown him a - gain,
 3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I: in - cense owns a De - i - ty nigh;
 4. Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a life of gath - er - ing gloom;
 field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.
 King for ev - er, ceas - ing nev - er o - ver us all to reign.
 prayer and prais - ing, glad - ly rais - ing, wor - ship him, God Most High.
 sor - rowing, sigh - ing, bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
 O star of won - der, star of night, star with roy - al beau - ty
 bright; west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light!

Text: John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820-1891), alt.
 Music: THREE KINGS OF ORIENT, John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820-1891)

The Seventh Reading (*Seated*)

Matthew 2:11-12

And when they came into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him, and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts: gold, frankincense and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their country by another road.

The Seventh Responsive Hymn (*Seated*)

Greensleeves

What child is this, who, laid to rest,
 on Mary's lap is sleeping?
 Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
 while shepherds watch are keeping?

Refrain: This, this is Christ the King,
 whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
 haste, haste to bring him laud,
 the babe, the son of Mary.

Why lies he in such mean estate
 where ox and ass are feeding?
 Good Christian, fear: for sinners here
 the silent Word is pleading.

Refrain

The Peace (*Please stand*)

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And with your spirit.*

The Offertory (*Please stand*)

Make Room

Sung by the Family Service Team

1. A family hiding from the storm,
Found no place at the keeper's door.
It was for this a Child was born,
To save a world so cold and hollow.

2. The sleeping town, they did not know,
That lying in a manger low
A Savior King who had no home;
Has come to heal our sorrows.

Refrain:

Is there room in your heart?

Is there room in your heart?

Is there room in your heart

For God to write His story?

3. Shepherds counting sheep at night
Do not fear the glory light.
You are precious in His sight.
God has come to raise the lowly.

Refrain

4. You can come as you are,
But it may set you apart,
When you make room in your heart
And trade your dreams for His glory.
Make room in your heart,
Make room in your heart.

5. Mother holds the promise tight;
Every wrong will be made right.
The road is straight, the burden's light,
For in His hands, He holds tomorrow.

Refrain

Songwriters: Mark Hall/Matt Maher

Celebrant:

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

People: And of your own have we given you.

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We Share God's Holy Communion

The Sursum Corda, *remain standing*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

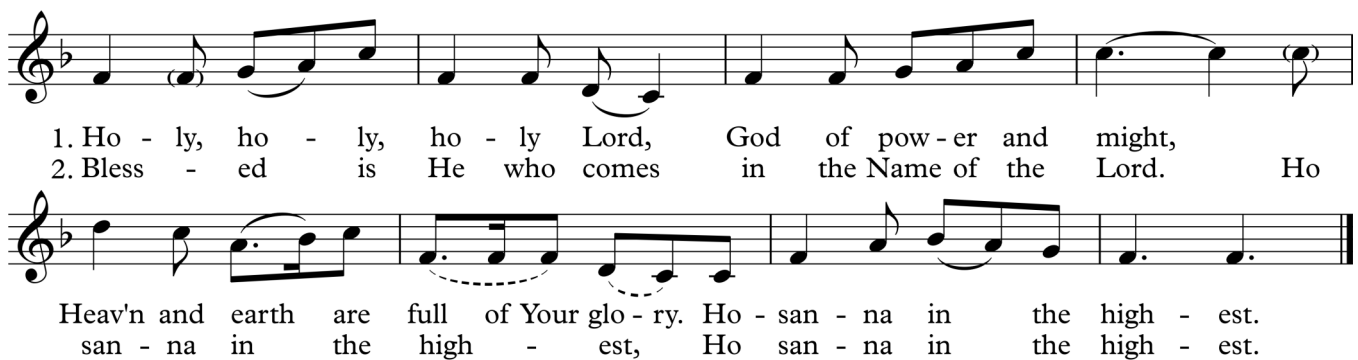
The Celebrant continues:

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great glory to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus



1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
2. Bless - ed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho

Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
san - na in the high - est, Ho san - na in the high - est.

Text: International Consultation on English Texts

Music: LAND OF REST American; arr. Emily R. Brink (b. 1940)

The Prayer of Consecration, *kneeling*

Celebrant:

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you have made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant:

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant:

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Fraction

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

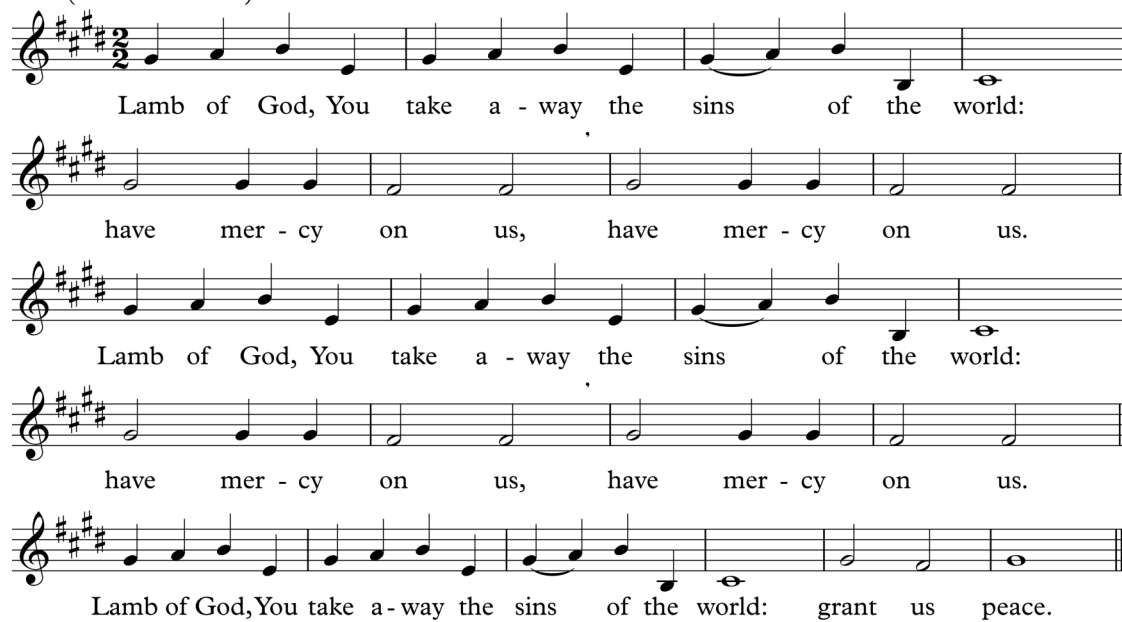
People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Prayer of Humble Access

Celebrant and People;

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)



Lamb of God, You take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, You take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, You take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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The Invitation to Communion

Celebrant:

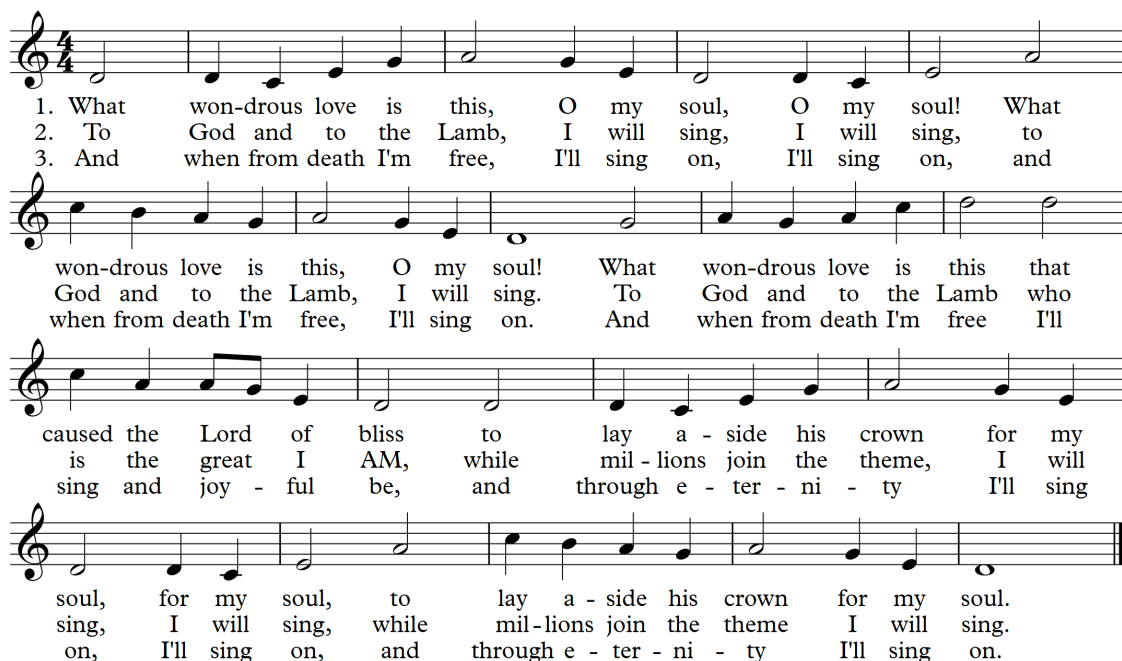
The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

If you need Holy Communion brought to you in your pew, please ask the Usher.

If you or your children are not baptized, or are not yet receiving communion, you may receive a blessing from the Priest at the altar rail. Simply cross your hands over your chest as you kneel at the rail.

The First Communion Hymn

What Wondrous Love it This



1. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2. To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to
3. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and
won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this that
God and to the Lamb, I will sing. To God and to the Lamb who
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free I'll
caused the Lord of bliss to lay a - side his crown for my
is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing
soul, for my soul, to lay a - side his crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme I will sing.
on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Text: American folk hymn, ca. 1835
Music: WONDROUS LOVE, from *The Southern Harmony*, 1835

The Second Communion Hymn

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus



1. Come, thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
 2. Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:
 3. Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,
 4. By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;


from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
 dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
 born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
 by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

Text: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: STUTTGART, melody from *Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andachtige und Schöne Gesänge*, 1715; adapt. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870)

The Third Communion Hymn

Prepare thy Way, O Zion



1 Pre - pare the way, O Zi - on, your Christ is draw - ing near!
 2 He brings God's rule, O Zi - on; he comes from heaven a - bove.
 3 Fling wide your gates, O Zi - on; your Sa - vior's rule em - brace.

Let ev - ery hill and val - ley a lev - el way ap - pear.
 His rule is peace and free - dom, and jus - tice, truth, and love.
 His tid - ings of sal - va - tion pro - claim in ev - ery place.

Greet One who comes in glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry.
 Lift high your praise re - sound - ing, for grace and joy a - bound - ing.
 All lands will bow be - fore him, their voic - es will a - dore him.

Refrain
 Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most ho - ly name.

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The Post Communion Prayer, *kneeling*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

The Recessional Hymn (*Please stand*)

Angels From the Realms of Glory

**Angels, from the realms of glory,
wing your flight o'er all the earth;
ye, who sang creation's story,
now proclaim Messiah's birth:**

**Refrain: come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn King.**

**Shepherds in the field abiding,
watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with you is now residing;
yonder shines the infant Light:**

Refrain

**Saints before the altar bending,
watching long in hope and fear,
the Lord, descending,
in his temple shall appear:**

Refrain

We Go Out to Serve God

The Dismissal

Priest or Deacon: Alleluia, alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia.**