

# First Sunday after the Epiphany

January 7, 2024, 10:00 am

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## The Word of God

Prelude

Fugue in C Minor

M. Reger

Please stand as able, and join in singing,

Processional Hymn

**Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Sky**

**Hymn #7, vv. 1-3**

Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the  
Dark and cheer - less is the morn un - ac - com - pan -  
Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of  
on - ly light, Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri - umph o'er the  
ied by thee; joy - less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's  
sin and grief! Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my  
shades of night: Day - spring from on high, be near; Day - star, in my  
beams I see, till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and  
un - be - lief; more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the  
heart ap - pear.  
warm my heart.  
per - fect day.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: "Ratisbon," 1524; melody from "Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn," 1524;  
adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870)

## The Opening Acclamation

**Celebrant** Blessed be God, ✠ Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**People** **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and  
for ever. Amen.**

## The Collect for Purity

Celebrant Almighty God,

**All** to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we  
may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ  
our Lord. Amen.

*Please remain standing as able, and join in singing,*

## The Gloria

## Gloria

S 280 (Powell)

7 Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace — to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al -  
13 might-y — God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.  
19 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
26 sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our  
32 prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most  
High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo - ry of God — the Fa - ther. A - men.

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932), S-280 The Hymnal, 1982

## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan pro-  
claimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all  
who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly  
confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns,  
one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

*Please be seated.*

## The First Lesson Genesis 1:1-5

1<sup>st</sup> Reader A reading from the book of Genesis.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

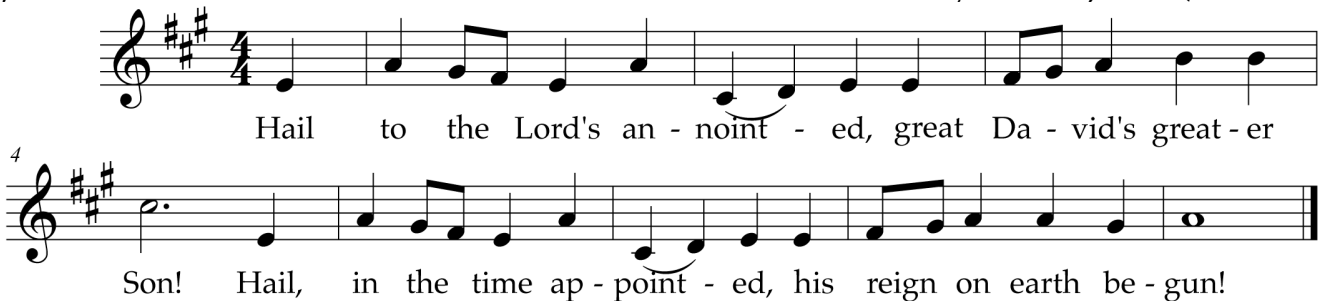
1<sup>st</sup> Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

## The Response Psalm 29 *Afferte Domino*

Reader Let us read from Psalm 29 responsively (*the People reading the text in bold*).

**Refrain** **Hail to the Lord's Anointed** **Hymn #616, vv. 1 (Tune #210)**



Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854). Music: Ellacombe, 1784, harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, \*  
**ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.**
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; \*  
**worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;  
the God of glory thunders; \*  
**the Lord is upon the mighty waters.**
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; \*  
**the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.**
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; \*  
**the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;**
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*  
**and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;  
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; \*  
**the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe \*  
**and strips the forests bare.**
- 9 And in the temple of the Lord \*  
**all are crying, "Glory!"**
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
**the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.**
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; \*  
**the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.**

*Refrain*

*Refrain*

## The Second Lesson Acts 19:1-7

2<sup>nd</sup> Reader A Reading from Acts.

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—altogether there were about twelve of them.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reader The Word of the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as able, and join in singing,*

The Sequence Hymn

How Bright Appears the Morning Star

Hymn #497, vv. 1-3

How bright ap - pears the Morn - ing star, with  
Though cir - cled by the hosts on high, he  
Re - joice, ye heavens; thou earth, re - ply; with  
mer - cy beam - ing from a - far; the host of heaven re - joice - es; O  
deigned to cast a pit - ying eye up - on his help - less crea - ture; the  
praise, ye sin - ners fill the sky, for this his In - car - na - tion. In -  
right - eous Branch, O Jes - se's Rod! Thou Son of Man and  
whole cre - a - tion's Head and Lord, by high - est ser - a -  
car - nate God, put forth thy power, ride on, ride on, great  
Son of God! We, too, will lift our voice: Je - sus, Je - sus!  
phim a - dored, as - sumed our ve - ry na - ture; Je - sus, grant us,  
Con - quer - or, till all know thy sal - va - tion. A - men, A - men!  
Ho - ly, ho - ly yet most low - ly, draw thou near us;  
through thy mer - it, to in - her - it thy sal - va - tion;  
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise be giv - en  
great Em - man - uel, come and hear us.  
hear, O hear our sup - pli - ca - tion.  
ev - er - more, by earth and hea - ven.

Words: William Mercer (1811-1873), after Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608).

Music: "Wie schön leuchtet," melody att. Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608);  
arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

*Please remain standing, as able, for*

The Holy Gospel            Mark 1:4-11

Deacon            The Holy Gospel ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**People            Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Deacon            The Gospel of the Lord.

**People            Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*Please be seated for,*

The Sermon            The Rev. Jason Shelby

*There will be a moment of silence for reflection following the sermon.*

*Please stand as able, and join in saying,*

The Nicene Creed

**All            We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
                 maker of heaven and earth,  
                 of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again 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.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*Please remain standing, as able, for*

The Prayers of the People (*the People read the responses in **bold***)

Deacon Let us pray for the Church and for the world.  
Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth,  
live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Deacon Lord, in your mercy  
**People Hear our prayer.**

Deacon Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace;  
that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Deacon Lord, in your mercy  
**People Hear our prayer.**

Deacon Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its re-  
sources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Deacon Lord, in your mercy  
**People Hear our prayer.**

*Silence*

Deacon Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ  
in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Deacon Lord, in your mercy  
**People Hear our prayer.**

*Silence*

Deacon Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage  
and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Deacon Lord, in your mercy  
**People Hear our prayer.**

Deacon We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Deacon Lord, in your mercy  
**People Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Hasten, O Father, the coming of thy kingdom; and grant that we thy servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold thy Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

*Please kneel, as able,*

### The Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**All Most merciful God,**  
**we confess that we have sinned against you**  
**in thought, word, and deed,**  
**by what we have done,**  
**and by what we have left undone.**  
**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**  
**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**  
**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**  
**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,**  
**have mercy on us and forgive us;**  
**that we may delight in your will,**  
**and walk in your ways,**  
**to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

### The Absolution

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy ✠ on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

*Please stand, as able,*

### The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People And also with you.**

*Ministers and People exchange signs of peace in the name of the Lord.*

*Please be seated.*

## Welcome, Announcements

*Anyone who has a birthday or anniversary in the next week is invited to come forward for a blessing:*

**All**      **Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may the peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## The Holy Communion

### Offertory Anthem

*"We Three Kings of Orient Are"*

*Hymn #128, vv. 1-5*

*We three kings of Orient are;  
bearing gifts we traverse afar,  
field and fountain, moor and mountain,  
following yonder star.*

*O star of wonder, star of light,  
star with royal beauty bright,  
westward leading, still proceeding,  
guide us to thy perfect light.*

*Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,  
gold I bring to crown him again,  
King forever, ceasing never,  
over us all to reign.*

*Frankincense to offer have I;  
incense owns a Deity nigh;  
prayer and praising, voices raising,  
worshiping God on high.*

*Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume  
breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,  
sealed in the stone-cold tomb.*

*Glorious now behold him arise;  
King and God and sacrifice:  
Alleluia, Alleluia,  
sounds through the earth and skies.*

*St. Francis Choir*

### Offertory Hymn

**As with Gladness Men of Old**

**Hymn #119, vv. 1-2**

The musical score is written for a single voice part in treble clef, key of D major (indicated by two sharps), and 4/4 time. It consists of three staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes, with line numbers 4, 8, and 12 indicating the start of new lines of text. The lyrics are: 'As with glad-ness men of old did the guid-ing star be -', 'As with joy - ful steps they sped to that low - ly man - ger', 'hold; as with joy they hailed its light, lead - ing on - ward, beam - ing', 'bed; there to — bend the knee be - fore him whom heaven and earth a -', 'bright; so, most gra - cious Lord, may we ev - er - more be led to thee.', 'dore; so may we with will - ing feet ev - er seek the mer - cy seat.'

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898). Music: "Dix," melody Conrad Kocher (1786-1872);  
arr. William Henry Monk (1823-1889); harm. "The English Hymnal," 1906.

*Please stand, as able, for,*



# The Great Thanksgiving

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

**Celebrant** Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, 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 triumph 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:

*Please join in singing,*

Sanctus

Sanctus

Forest Green

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in 4/4 time, using a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and folk-like. The lyrics are written below the staff, with some words underlined to indicate phrasing. The score is divided into three systems, with measure numbers 6 and 11 indicated at the start of the second and third systems respectively. The final measure of the third system ends with a double bar line.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of pow'r and might. Heav'n and earth are  
full of thy glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is the one who comes  
in the name of the Lord, Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: "Forest Green," Traditional English folk melody; adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

*Please kneel or stand, as able, as the Celebrant continues.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All     Christ has died.  
          Christ is risen.  
          Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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.**

Celebrant     And now, as Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**All            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,  
                  forever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

Celebrant     Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
                  **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**



Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to  
 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro - phet, Priest, and  
 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and  
 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re -

4  
 thee we raise, Man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges  
 King su - preme; and at Ca - na, wed - ding guest, in thy God - head  
 faint - ing soul; man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the  
 8  
 splen - dent light, where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured

from a - far; branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at  
 man - i - fest; ma - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter  
 dev - il's might; man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing  
 12  
 glo - ry saw. When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je -

Beth - le - hem; an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made  
 in - to wine; an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made  
 good from ill; an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made  
 16  
 ru - sa - lem, cross and Eas - ter Day at - test God in man made

man - i - fest.  
 man - i - fest.  
 man - i - fest.  
 man - i - fest.

Words: Sts. 1-3, Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885).

Music: "Salzburg," melody Jakob Hintze (1622-1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

## The Invitation

Celebrant    The gifts of God for the people of God, Holy gifts, for Holy people.

For our online community—an invitation to pray together the spiritual communion prayer from the National Cathedral. A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

## The Communion of the People

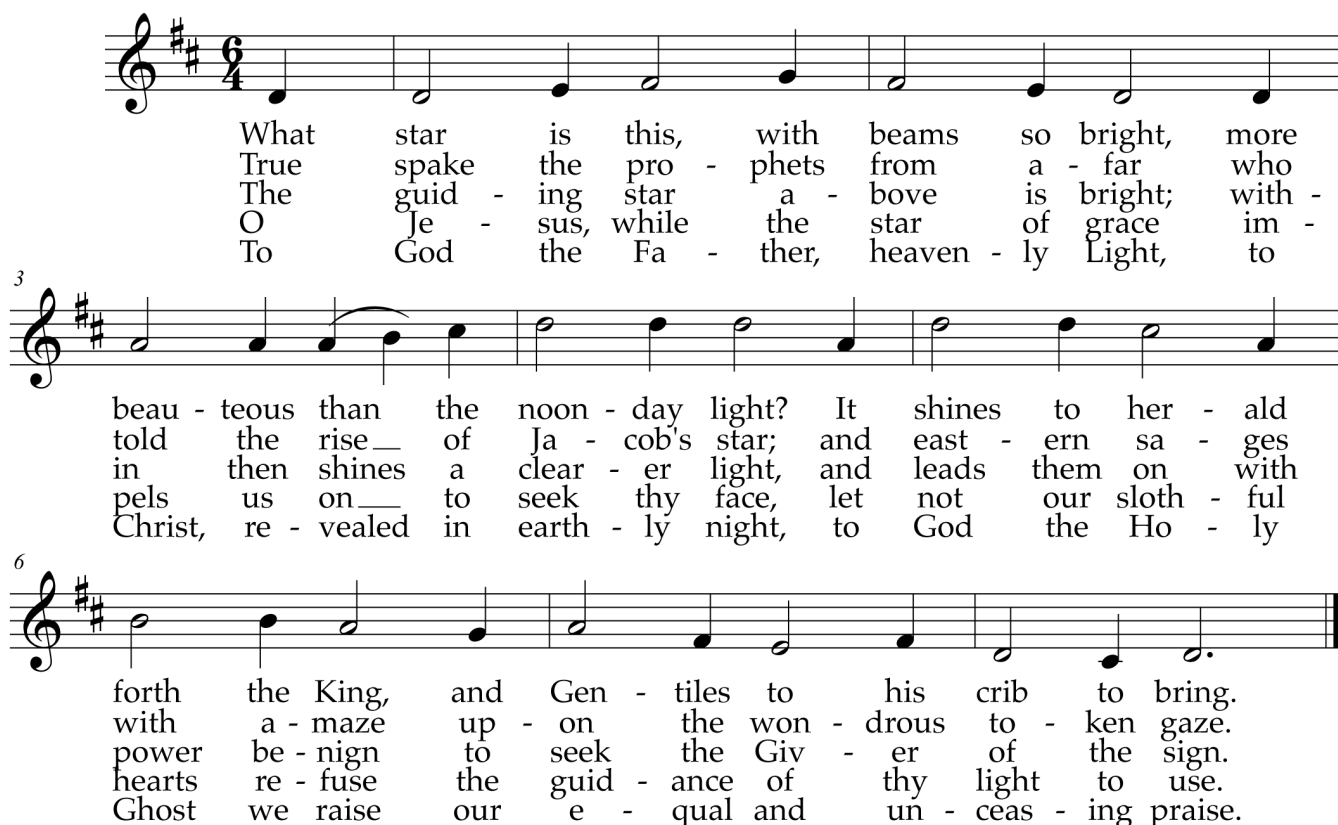
**All** are invited to receive Holy Communion. Please follow the directions of the ushers. If you do not wish to receive, we encourage you to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply fold your hands across your chest when you come forward. **The clergy will carry Communion to anyone in the congregation who is unable to come forward. Please notify an usher if you wish Communion to be brought to you.** Gluten-free Communion wafers are available. If you require one of these, simply ask.

If you have come with a particular prayer concern today, after receiving Communion you may come to the Nason Prayer Chapel to the right of the altar rail where someone will also be available to pray with you, or you may just choose to light a candle.

## Communion Hymn

### What Star Is This with Beams So Bright

Hymn #124, vv. 1-5



What True The O To star spake the guid - ing Je - sus, while the Fa - ther, beams from a - bove is bright; of grace im - to so bright; with - Light, to

beau - teous than the noon - day light? It shines to her - ald told the rise\_ of Ja - cob's star; and east - ern sa - ges in then shines a clear - er light, and leads them on with pels us on\_ to seek thy face, let not our sloth - ful Christ, re - vealed in earth - ly night, to God the Ho - ly

forth the King, and Gen - tiles to his crib to bring. with a - maze up - on the won - drous to - ken gaze. power be - nign to seek the Giv - er of the sign. hearts re - fuse the guid - ance of thy light to use. Ghost we raise our e - qual and un - ceas - ing praise.

Words: Charles Coffin (1676-1749); TR. "Hymns Ancient and Modern," 1861, after John Chandler (1807-1876), alt.  
Music: "Puer nobis," from Trier MS., 15th cent.adapt. Michael Praetorius (1671-1621); harm. "Cowley Carol Book," 1902.

*Please kneel or stand, as able for,*

### The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

**All** **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### The Blessing

Celebrant Go forth into the world in peace. Be of good courage, Hold fast to that which is good. Render to no one evil for evil. Strengthen the fainthearted, support the weak, help the afflicted. Honor all persons.

Love and serve the lord, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. And, the blessing of God Almighty, The ✠ Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit be with you always.

**All** **Amen.**

### The Sending Forth

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**People** **Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Please stand, as able, and join in singing*

We three kings of O - ri - ent are, bear - ing gifts we  
Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I bring to  
Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I: in - cense owns a  
Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a life of  
Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and God and

7  
tra - verse a - far, field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain,  
crown him a - gain, King for ev - er, ceas - ing nev - er  
De - i - ty nigh; prayer and prais - ing glad - ly rais - ing,  
gath - er - ing gloom; sor - rowing, sigh - ing, bleed - ing, dy - ing,  
Sac - ri - fice; heaven sings al - le - lu - ia: al - le -

13 Refrain  
fol - low - ing yon - der star. O — star of won - der, star of night,  
o - ver us all to reign.  
wor - ship him, God Most High.  
sealed in a stone - cold tomb.  
lu - ia the earth re - plies.

22  
star with roy - al beau - ty bright; west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us

31  
to thy per - fect light!

Words: John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820-1891). Music: "Three Kings of Orient," John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820-1891).

Postlude:

*Concerto #4 in C major*  
*Guest Organist: James Reed*

*J.S. Bach*

# Welcome!!

We warmly welcome you if you are here with us for the first time today. We joyfully welcome *all* people into our community – without exception. Whoever you are, and whatever the status of your relationship with God, you will find fellow travelers here.

*Please join us for coffee fellowship after the service.  
The Ushers will direct you.*

## Prayers this Week

We pray for all those who serve in the armed and foreign services, and for their families, especially Thomas, Drew Deley, Michael Heredia, Mark Kappelmann, Joseph Leahy, TJ Malzahn, Will Piepenbring, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Barry Witt, Jonathan Zimmerman and Steve.

Those who are ill, recovering from surgery, or in any other kind of need or trouble:  
Andrea, Christa, Jean Dicus, Daniel Dreiling, Pauline Duley, Elvis, Ceri Falk, Colette Furbush, Chris Goldsmith, Sally Hill, Loren, Mick Mohuchy, Patt Parker, Bruce Schaefer, Roxanne Wall, and for the people of the middle east, and victims of violence everywhere.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

## What's Happening!

### **Altar Guild — Jan 8th, 9am**

Time to take down & pack away the Christmas Decorations. Many hands would be appreciated to help make things faster!

### **Altar Guild Meeting — Jan 21st, after 10am service**

In the board room.

### **Take Home Poinsettia**

Take a poinsettia or two home with you after service today!

## Ongoing

**Bible Study on Zoom**—Contacts: Jack Hailwood, [john.w.hailwood@outlook.com](mailto:john.w.hailwood@outlook.com) or Suellen Eslinger, [suellenesl@verizon.net](mailto:suellenesl@verizon.net)

### **Yoga**

**Mondays from 11:30am –1:00pm - All Levels Hatha Yoga** for Strength and Mobility.

**Wednesdays 9:00-10:30am All Levels Gentle Yoga** for Vital Mobility and Balance.  
(free-will offering).

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**AA**—Thursdays & Sundays 7:30 pm, **Al-Anon**—Thursdays 7:00pm

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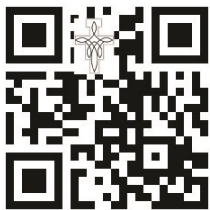
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