

# ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

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**THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY**  
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 6, 2019**  
**9:00 & 11:15 A.M.**  
**HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II**

## WELCOME TO ST. MARGARET'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

If you are visiting us for the first time, let us offer you an especially warm welcome. We hope that you will enjoy worshipping with us. If at any moment in the service you are not sure what to do, ask any of your neighbors in the congregation—they will be happy to help you. We would like to continue our relationship with you, so please fill out a visitor card (found in the pew racks) and drop the card in the collection plate or hand it to one of the clergy or ushers.

## FORMATION

We provide **Sunday School** and Christian formation to children from ages 3 to 18 from Sept. – May. Note: There will be no Sunday School for children this morning because of the Epiphany Pageant. (A map of classroom locations is available in the narthex or from an usher.) While children are always welcome at all services, professional **nursery** care for children ages six weeks to four years is provided from 8:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Nursery (downstairs in the church's annex building). **Children's Chapel** is offered during the first part of the 9 a.m. service for children from ages three to second grade. The children leave the nave during the sequence hymn following behind the cross which will come down the aisle and then go into the downstairs annex classroom with the children rejoining their parents at the Peace. **Adult Formation** is also offered during the 10:15 a.m. to 11 a.m. hour. An adult book & bible study is held in the reception area of the administrative building.

## COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive bread and wine during communion, including children. To receive bread, place your hands palms-up at the communion rail. To receive wine, assist the Eucharistic Minister in guiding the chalice to your lips, or you may intinct by dipping the bread in the wine. If you do not wish to receive the bread or wine, place your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available. Indicate your request by first extending your hands palms down when at the communion rail. The square wafers are kept in a separate holder, and you are invited to take one from this holder.

## LITURGY AND MUSIC

The liturgy and music for today is from The Book of Common Prayer, the 1982 hymnal, and other resources as noted.



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**PRELUDE**

*The people stand as able.*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

The first Nowell the angel did say

*The First Nowell*

1 The first No - well the an - gel did say  
2 They look - ed up and saw a star  
3 And by the light of that same star  
4 This star drew nigh to the north - west, three  
5 Then en - tered in those wise men three

1 was to cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay;  
2 shin - ing in the east be - yond them far,  
3 three wise men came from coun - try far;  
4 o'er Beth - le - hem it took its rest, knee,  
5 full re - vent - ly up - on their knee,

1 in fields as they lay, keep - ing their sheep,  
2 and to the earth it gave great light,  
3 to seek for a king was their in - tent,  
4 and there it did both stop and stay  
5 and of - fered there in his pres - ence

1 on a cold win-ter's night that was so deep.  
 2 and so it con - tin - ued both day and night.  
 3 and to fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went.  
 4 right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.  
 5 their gold, and myrrh, and frank - in - cense.

*Refrain*

No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well,

born is the King of Is - ra - el.

6 Then let us all with one accord  
 sing praises to our heavenly Lord;  
 that hath made heaven and earth of nought,  
 and with his blood our life hath bought.

*Refrain*

Words: English carol, 18th cent. Music: *The First Nowell*, English carol, 17th cent.; harm. John Stainer (1840-1901)

*The people remain standing as they are able.*

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant*

Almighty God, 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.**

## SONG OF PRAISE

*Allein Gott in der Höh*

1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from  
You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal -  
hea - ven, and God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be  
va - tion, and on - ly you are God's true Son, who  
to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for  
was be - fore cre - a - tion. You on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own and,  
your great glo - ry thanks and praise, O God, Al - might - y Fa - ther.  
with the Spi - rit, you a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

Words: Nikolaus Decius (1490?-1541); tr. F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984), rev.; para. of *Gloria in excelsis*; Copyright © The Church Pension Fund. All rights reserved. Used with permission. Music: *Allein Gott in der Höh*, melody att. Nikolaus Decius (1490?-1541); harm. Hieronymus Praetorius (1560?-1629)

## COLLECT FOR THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The people are seated.*

## FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 60:1-6

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Arise, shine; for your light has come,  
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

For darkness shall cover the earth,  
and thick darkness the peoples;

but the LORD will arise upon you,  
and his glory will appear over you.

Nations shall come to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around;  
they all gather together, they come to you;

your sons shall come from far away,  
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.

Then you shall see and be radiant;  
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,  
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,  
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.  
A multitude of camels shall cover you,  
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;  
all those from Sheba shall come.  
They shall bring gold and frankincense,  
and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

Lector           The Word of the Lord.  
People           **Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL** *(read responsively by whole verse)*

Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, \*  
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 **That he may rule your people righteously \*  
and the poor with justice;**
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, \*  
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 **He shall defend the needy among the people; \*  
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.**
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, \*  
from one generation to another.
- 6 **He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, \*  
like showers that water the earth.**
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; \*  
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- 10 **The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, \*  
and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.**
- 11 All kings shall bow down before him, \*  
and all the nations do him service.
- 12 **For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, \*  
and the oppressed who has no helper.**
- 13 He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; \*  
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
- 14 **He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, \*  
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.**

A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles-- for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ.

In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Lector            The Word of the Lord.  
 People            **Thanks be to God.**

*The people stand as they are able.*

**SEQUENCE HYMN**

What star is this, with beams so bright

*Puer nobis*

*Unison or harmony*

1 What star is this, with beams so bright, more beau - teous  
 2 True spake the pro - phet from a - far who told the  
 3 The guid - ing star a - bove is bright; with - in them  
 4 O Je - sus, while the star of grace im - pels us  
 5 To God the Fa - ther, heaven - ly Light, to Christ, re -

1 than the noon - day light? It shines to her - ald  
 2 rise of Ja - cob's star; and east - ern sa - ges  
 3 shines a clear - er light, and leads them on with  
 4 on to seek thy face, let not our sloth - ful  
 5 vealed in earth - ly night, to God the Ho - ly

1 forth the King, and Gen - tiles to his crib to bring.  
 2 with a - maze up - on the won - drous to - ken gaze.  
 3 power be - nign to seek the Giv - er of the sign.  
 4 hearts re - fuse the guid - ance of thy light to use.  
 5 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*, melody from Trier MS., 15th cent.; adapt. Michael Praetorius (1571-1621); harm. *Cowley Carol Book*, 1902

**THE GOSPEL**

Matthew 2:1-12

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,  
 are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;  
 for from you shall come a ruler  
 who is to shepherd my people Israel.'"

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage."

When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The people are seated.*

**SERMON**

The Rev. Peter W. Mayer

*A moment of silence is kept after the sermon.*

*The people stand as they are able.*

## NICENE CREED

*Celebrant and People*

**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 man.  
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 and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Liturgy Alive*

On this day when peoples from afar came to worship Jesus the Lord, let our prayer be as wide as the world.  
Let us say

**Let the light of Christ shine on all people.**

That the light of Christ may shine on all nations far and near and that the Church may welcome them with the diversity of their cultures, let us pray to the Lord:

**Let the light of Christ shine on all people.**

That in our day justice may flourish and peace come to all of the world, let us pray:

**Let the light of Christ shine on all people.**

That God's people may hear the poor when they cry, have pity on the weak and open their hearts and hands to the needy, let us pray:

**Let the light of Christ shine on all people.**

That those who persecute the Lord in those who try to follow him may see his light and be transformed, let us pray:

**Let the light of Christ shine on all people.**

That all who look for a star to guide them may discover the goodness of the Lord in people full of faith and love, let us pray:

**Let the light of Christ shine on all people.**

That in our Christian communities we may learn, like the wise men, to share the treasures of our goods and hearts, let us pray:

**Let the light of Christ shine on all people.**

*Celebrant*

Lord our God, we rejoice that you have become near to us in Jesus your Son. Let him be the light of life now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

*Celebrant*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

*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.**

## **PEACE**

*Celebrant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*         **And also with you.**

*The Peace is then exchanged and the people are seated.*

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

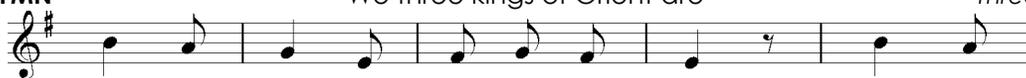
## **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

# HOLY COMMUNION

## OFFERTORY HYMN

We three kings of Orient are

*Three Kings of Orient*



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



1 gifts we tra - verse a - far, field and foun - tain,  
 2 bring to crown him a - gain, King for ev - er,  
 3 owns a De - i - ty nigh; prayer and prais - ing,  
 4 life of gath - er - ing gloom; sor - rowing, sigh - ing,  
 5 God and Sac - ri - fice; heaven sings al - le -



1 moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.  
 2 ceas - ing nev - er o - ver us all to reign.  
 3 glad - ly rais - ing, wor - ship him, God Most High.  
 4 bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.  
 5 lu - ia: al - le - lu - ia the earth re - plies.

*Refrain*

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!

*The stanzas may be sung by three soloists: 1 and 5 by the ensemble; 2-4 by individuals; and the refrain by all.*

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

*The people stand as able when directed by clergy.*

## PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Old 100th

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." The tempo marking is \*3.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711)  
Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Psaumes octants trois de David*, 1551, alt.: arr. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer C

*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.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.  
**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

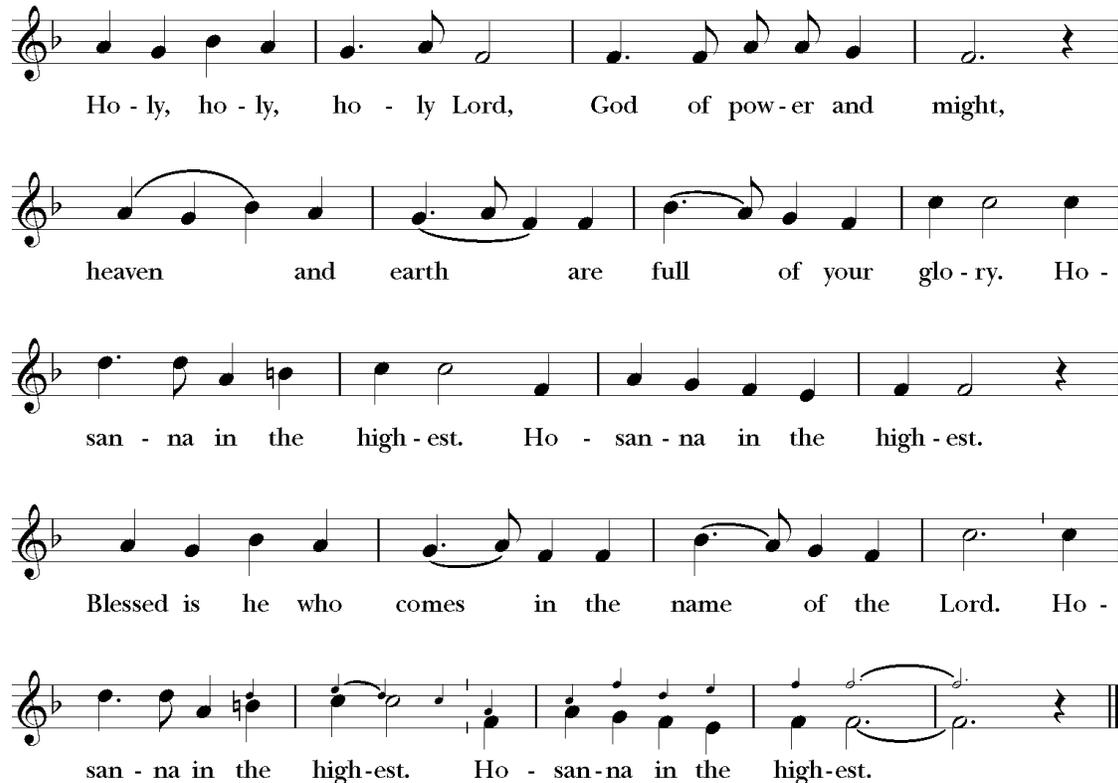
**By his blood, he reconciled us.**

**By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

Richard Proulx



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,  
**We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Mothers and Fathers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, and Jacob and Leah and Rachel; God of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name. Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread. Accept these prayers and praises, O God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant*

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

**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.**

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Enriching our Worship I*

*Cantor*



God of prom-ise, you have pre-pared a ban-quet for us.

*All*



Hap-py are those who are called to the Sup-per of the Lamb.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*The Celebrant says*

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

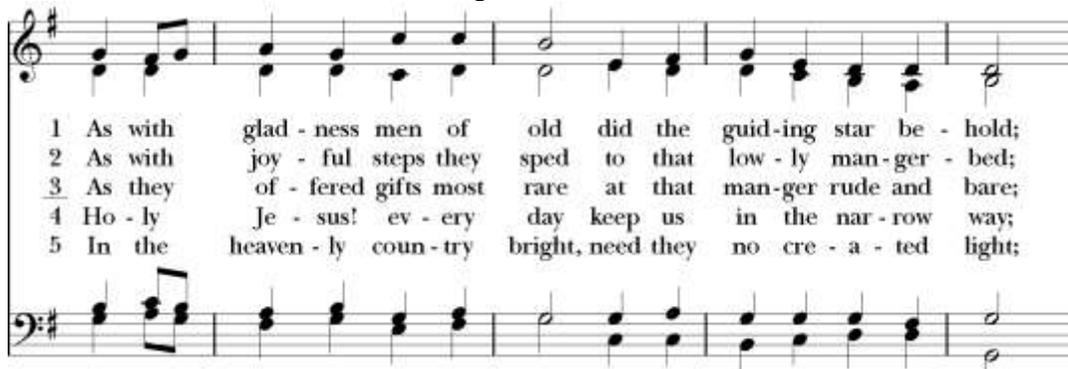
*The people are seated. Gluten-free wafers are available for communion. Indicate your wish for a gluten-free wafer by first extending your hands palms down when at the communion rail. The square wafers are kept in a separate holder and you are invited to take one from this holder.*

*If you have a child who is participating in the Epiphany Pageant, please escort them to the Fellowship Hall in the new building to get ready after communion is taken.*

## COMMUNION HYMN

As with gladness men of old

*Dix*



1 As with glad-ness men of old did the guid-ing star be-hold;  
2 As with joy-ful steps they sped to that low-ly man-ger-bed;  
3 As they of-fered gifts most rare at that man-ger rude and bare;  
4 Ho-ly Je-sus! ev-ery day keep us in the nar-row way;  
5 In the heaven-ly coun-try bright, need they no cre-a-ted light;

1 as with joy they hailed its light, lead - ing on - ward, beam - ing bright;  
 2 there to bend the knee be - fore him whom heaven and earth a - dore;  
 3 so may we with ho - ly joy, pure and free from sin's al - loy,  
 4 and, when earth - ly things are past, bring our ran - somed souls at last  
 5 thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down:

1 so, most gra - cious Lord, may we ev - er - more be led to thee.  
 2 so may we with will - ing feet ev - er seek the mer - cy - seat.  
 3 all our cost - liest trea - sures bring, Christ! to thee, our heav - en - ly King.  
 4 where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glo - ry hide.  
 5 there for ev - er may we sing al - le - lu - ias to our King.

**COMMUNION HYMN**

Earth has many a noble city

Stuttgart

1 Earth has man - ya no - ble ci - ty; Beth - le - hem, thou dost all ex - cel:  
 2 Fair - er than the sun at morn - ing was the star that told his birth,  
 3 East - ern sa - ges at his cra - dle make ob - la - tions rich and rare;  
 4 Sa - cred gifts of mys - tic mean - ing; in - cense doth their God dis - close,  
 5 Je - sus, whom the Gen - tiles wor - shipped at thy glad e - piph - a - ny,

1 out of thee the Lord from hea - ven came to rule his Is - ra - el.  
 2 to the world its God an - nounc - ing seen in flesh - ly form on earth.  
 3 see them give, in deep de - vo - tion, gold and frank - in - cense and myrrh.  
 4 gold the King of kings pro - claim - eth, myrrh his sep - ul - cher fore - shows.  
 5 un - to thee, with God the Fa - ther and the Spi - rit, glo - ry be.

Words: Marcus Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348-410?); tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, alt. Music: *Stuttgart*, melody from *Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge*, 1715; adapt. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870); harm. K. D. Smith (b. 1928) Copyright © by permission of K.D. Smith. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

After communion, the people stand as able.

## SENDING FORTH OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

On most Sundays, we send out Eucharistic visitors to deliver the sacraments to those who cannot be with us. This is the prayer we use to send them on their way.

*Celebrant* In the name of this congregation I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, to N. that they may share with us in the sacrament of our Savior Jesus Christ.

*People* **We who are many are One Body, because we all share one Bread, and one Cup. Amen.**

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*Church of England*

*Celebrant*  
Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**God of all,  
may we who share Christ's body live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup bring life to others;  
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
so we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth lives to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## BLESSING

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

Brightest and best of the stars of the morning

*Morning Star*

1 Bright - est and best of the stars of the morn - ing,  
2 What shall we give him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion?  
3 Vain - ly we of - fer each lav - ish ob - la - tion,  
4 Bright - est and best of the stars of the morn - ing,  
dawn on our dark - ness and come to our aid;  
Shall we bring in - cense and of - ferings di - vine,  
vain - ly with gifts would his fa - vor se - cure;  
dawn on our dark - ness and come to our aid;

star of the east, the ho - ri - zon a - dorn - ing,  
 gems of the moun - tain and pearls of the o - cean,  
 rich - er by far is the heart's ad - o - ra - tion,  
 star of the east, the ho - ri - zon a - dorn - ing,

guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.  
 myrrh from the for - est or gold from the mine?  
 dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.  
 guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid!

**DISMISSAL**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**POSTLUDE**

*Please join us for our annual Children's Epiphany Pageant in the parish hall after the 9 a.m. service this morning.*

**IN THIS SERVICE**

Music:	Jim Douglas
Eucharistic Ministers @ 9:	Kim Coble, Terry Otis
Lectors @ 9:	Kate Callahan, Jeff Conover
Children's Chapel:	Ernie Tucker, Jaime John, Leah Mayer, Ella Tomko
Eucharistic Ministers @ 11:15:	Janis Brewer, Jim Hall
Lectors @ 11:15:	Jim Weekley, Janis Brewer
Altar Guild:	Elizabeth Parker, Susan Roberts, Gayle Smith, Lyn Sloan
Decorations:	St. Margaret's Flower Guild
Coffeehour Hosts:	Jim Barnett, Susan Roberts, Brian and Holly Williams, Katy Strother

FRONT COVER: EPIPHANY GIOVANNI DI PAOLA 1450

