

January 10 Bulletin

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The Epiphany

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Prelude

Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning – arr Wilbur Held

Connor Scott, Guest Organist

The congregation is invited to say the words together in bold. Please sing along with us! To prepare for worship, you may want to place your advent wreath, or three candles, to light during the opening prayer.

Welcome

The ushers and the rector welcome the congregation. If you are new to us, consider filling out our [“get connected”](#) form, let us get to know you better.

Gloria



¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria___ en - las al - tu - ras a Dios!
Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry,___ glo - ry to God___ on high

y en la tie - rra paz pa-ra a-qué-llos___ que a-ma el Se - ñor._____
and on earth peace to all peo-ple in whom God is well pleased.

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Opening Sentences

I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. *Isaiah 49:6b*

O God, open thou our lips.

And our mouths shall show forth thy praise.

Glory to God, Source of all being, Incarnate Word, and Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

The Presider reads ancient prayers that signify our longing for Christ's coming, and the coming of God's reign. You are invited to light you're a candle with us.

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.**

Opening Hymn

We Three Kings



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 Readings

We hear the stories of the experience of God from our spiritual ancestors. Following an ancient pattern originally from Jewish synagogue worship, readings follow a set calendar for what will be read when.

THE FIRST READING:

A Reading from the book of Isaiah (Isaiah 60:1-6)

Arise! Shine! Your light has come;
the Lord's glory has shone upon you.

Though darkness covers the earth
and gloom the nations,
the Lord will shine upon you;
God's glory will appear over you.

Nations will come to your light
and kings to your dawning radiance.

Lift up your eyes and look all around:
they are all gathered; they have come to you.

Your sons will come from far away,
and your daughters on caregivers' hips.

Then you will see and be radiant;
your heart will tremble and open wide,
because the sea's abundance will be turned over to you;
the nations' wealth will come to you.

Countless camels will cover your land,
young camels from Midian and Ephah.

They will all come from Sheba,
carrying gold and incense,
proclaiming the Lord's praises.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

THE PSALM (PSALM 72:1-7,10-14)

Give the King your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to the King's Son,

That he may rule your people righteously
and the poor with justice;

That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people,
and the little hills bring righteousness.

He shall defend the needy among the people;
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.

He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure,
from one generation to another.

He shall come down like rain upon the mown field,
like showers that water the earth.

In his time shall the righteous flourish;
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

The rulers of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute,
and the rulers of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.

All rulers shall bow down before him,
and all the nations do him service.

For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress
and the oppressed who has no helper.

He shall have pity on the lowly and poor;
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.

He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence,
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

**Glory to God, Source of all being, Incarnate Word, and Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.**

THE GOSPEL READING

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew (Matthew 2:1-12)
Glory to You, Lord Christ.

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in the territory of Judea during the rule of King Herod, magi came from the east to Jerusalem. They asked, “Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We’ve seen his star in the east, and we’ve come to honor him.”

When King Herod heard this, he was troubled, and everyone in Jerusalem was troubled with him. He gathered all the chief priests and the legal experts and asked them where the Christ was to be born. They said, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for this is what the prophet wrote:

*You, Bethlehem, land of Judah,
by no means are you least among the rulers of Judah,
because from you will come one who governs,
who will shepherd my people Israel.”*

Then Herod secretly called for the magi and found out from them the time when the star had first appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search carefully for the child. When you’ve found him, report to me so that I too may go and honor him.” When they heard the king, they went; and look, the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stood over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were filled with joy. They entered the house and saw the child with Mary his mother. Falling to their knees, they honored him. Then they opened their treasure chests and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Because they were warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they went back to their own country by another route.

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon: The Rev. Mike Angell

Anthem: *Marching to Zion*

Maggie Linck, vocals

TJ Muller, banjo

Announcements:

Announcements are shared

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Prayers of the People

You may add your prayer requests in the comments at any time. Know that people will pray for you.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

At a time when the faithful cannot come gather safely in person in ways we remember and cherish, we pray for the church throughout the world. Help us to remember all of those bishops, priests, and deacons and baptized ministers who have responded to this health crisis with courage and faith. Help us to know that we can come to adore you in a parking lot, through a screen at home, in a shelter, a hospital ward, or wherever Christmas finds us in this scattered world.

In a world facing a health pandemic, and coming to terms with the ongoing pandemics of racism and discrimination give us persistence and humility. Let us remind our neighbors and our elected officials, that the Son of God had no place to lay his head but a lowly manger. God chose the humble, the poor, and the hungry. Give us courage to stand with those whose voices often go unheard. In the midst of the coronavirus, we remember all those who are suffering with the disease, and all of the nurses, doctors, and first responders caring for them. We remember family members who are unable to visit. *You are invited to add your own prayers, even to write your prayer request in the comments as you watch.*

As we mark the end of the Christmas season, let us remember all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore and in a greater light, that whole multitude which no one can number who ran the course of faith before us. As we remember them, help us to cast our cares, our hopes, and our fears with You, the God who chose to dwell with us.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray in the way Christ taught us, and in the language of our hearts.

**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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Concluding Prayers

The Post-Christmas Prayer is followed by the ancient prayer of Saint Chrysostom a Christmas Prayer.

When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and the princes are home,
When the shepherds are back with their flock,
Help us to begin the work of Christmas:
To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry,
To release the prisoner,
To rebuild the nations,
To bring peace among brothers,
To make music in the heart.

Amen.

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Amen.

The Peace

The Peace is then exchanged.
The peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

The Peace is then exchanged. Consider sending a text, a message on Facebook, or even writing a letter or email to someone who could use some peace.

Concluding Hymn:

1 In the bleak mid - win - ter, frost - y wind made moan,
 2 Our God, heaven can - not hold him, nor— earth sus - tain;
 3 An - gels and arch - an - gels may have gath - ered there,
 4 What— can I give him, poor— as I am?

earth stood hard as i - ron, wa - ter like a stone;
 heaven and earth shall flee a - way when he comes to reign:
 cher - u - bim and se - ra - phim throng - ed the air;
 If I were a shep - herd, I would bring a lamb;

snow had fal - len, snow on snow, snow— on— snow,
 in the bleak mid - win - ter a sta - ble - place suf - ficed
 but his mo - ther on - ly, in her maid - en bliss,
 if I were a wise— man, I would do my part;

in the bleak mid - win - ter, long a - go.
 the Lord— God in - car - nate, Je - sus Christ.
 wor - shiped the be - lov - ed with a kiss.
 yet what I can I give him— give my heart.

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The Deacon dismisses the congregation:

Let us Bless the Lord
Thanks be to God.

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The Post-Christmas Prayer is adapted from a poem by The Rev. Howard Thurman.