



The Feast of the Epiphany

January 6, 2015

6:00 PM

Evening Prayer, Rite I *Choral Evensong*

Officiant - The Reverend Canon Steven M. Roberts

Preacher - The Reverend Canon John A. Kellogg

The Choir of Christ Church Cathedral

Organist & Choir Director - Mr. Jarrett R. Follette, *Canon Precentor*

Order of Worship

It is the tradition of the Episcopal Church to maintain silence in the worship area so that people may pray. Please help us preserve an atmosphere of quiet reverence before worship begins, remembering to turn pagers and cell phones off; let the music of the opening voluntary quiet your thoughts as you prepare for worship.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Officiant Light and peace in Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE PROCESSION AND THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES


The choir chants

The Third Song of Isaiah *Surge, illuminare* - Isaiah 60:1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19


Arise, shine, for your light has come, *
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.
For behold, darkness covers the land; *
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.
But over you the Lord will rise, *
and his glory will appear upon you.
Nations will stream to your light, *
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.
Your gates will always be open; *
by day or night they will never be shut.
They will call you, The City of the Lord, *
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
Violence will no more be heard in your land, *
ruin or destruction within your borders.
You will call your walls, Salvation, *
and all your portals, Praise.
The sun will no more be your light by day; *
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.
The Lord will be your everlasting light, *
and your God will be your glory.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Invitatory and Psalter


Officiant



O God, make speed to save us.

People



O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant and People


Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit:


as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men.

Except during Lent, may be added:


Al - le - lu - ia.

HYMN

1 O glad - some Light, O grace of God the Fa - ther's face,
 2 Now, ere day fad - eth quite, we see the eve - ning light,
 3 To thee of right be - longs all praise of ho - ly songs,

the e - ter - nal splen - dor wear - ing; ce - les - tial, ho - ly, blest,
 our wont - ed hymn out - pour - ing; Fa - ther of might un - known,
 O Son of God, Life - giv - er; thee, there - fore, O Most High,

our Sa - vior Je - sus Christ, joy - ful in thine ap - pear - ing.
 thee, his in - car - nate Son, and Ho - ly Spirit a - dor - ing.
 the world doth glo - ri - fy, and shall ex - alt for ev - er.

Please be seated.

The choir sings

PSALM 72 *Deus, iudicium*

Setting: Stephen Elvey

- 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.
- 8 He shall rule from sea to sea, *
and from the River to the ends of the earth.
- 9 His foes shall bow down before him, *
and his enemies lick the dust.
- 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.
- 15 Long may he live!
and may there be given to him gold from Arabia; *
may prayer be made for him always,
and may they bless him all the day long.
- 16 May there be abundance of grain on the earth,
growing thick even on the hilltops; *
may its fruit flourish like Lebanon,
and its grain like grass upon the earth.
- 17 May his Name remain for ever
and be established as long as the sun endures; *
may all the nations bless themselves in him and call him blessed.
- 18 Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, *
who alone does wondrous deeds!
- 19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory.
Amen. Amen.
*Glory to the Father, and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, *
and will be for ever. Amen.*

THE FIRST LESSON ~ Ephesians 3:1-12

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 choir sings

CANTICLE ~ The Song of Mary *Magnificat*

Short Service, Thomas Weelkes

My soul doth magnify the Lord, *
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
For he hath regarded *
the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold from henceforth *
all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, *
and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him *
throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm; *
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, *
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, *
as he promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed for ever.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE SECOND LESSON ~ Matthew 2:1-12

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.

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

The choir sings

CANTICLE ~ The Song of Simeon *Nunc dimittis*

Short Service, Thomas Weelkes

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, *
according to thy word;
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, *
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, *
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Officiant *People* *Officiant*
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The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit. Let us 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 SUFFRAGES

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V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

People
|-----o-----|
R. And grant us thy salva-tion.

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V. Endue thy ministers with right-eous-ness;

|-----o-----|
R. And make thy chosen people joy-ful.

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V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

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R. For only in thee can we live in safe-ty.

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V. Lord, keep this nation un-der thy care;



R. And guide us in the way of jus-tice and truth.



V. Let thy way be known up - on earth;



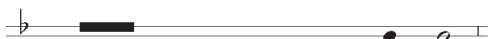
R. Thy saving health among all na - tions.



V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgot-ten;



R. Nor the hope of the poor be ta - ken a - way.



V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;



R. And sustain us with thy Holy Spi - rit.

THE COLLECTS

O God, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know thee now by faith, to thy presence, where we may behold thy glory face to face; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know thee as thou art revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of thy love. *Amen.*

O God, who dost manifest in thy servants the signs of thy presence: Send forth upon us the Spirit of love, that in companionship with one another thine abounding grace may increase among us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

SERMON HYMN #124 - What star is this, with beams so bright..... *Puer nobis*

THE SERMON

THE ANTHEM

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| <p>1 Small wonder the star, small wonder the light,
the angels in chorus, the shepherds in fright;
but stable and manger for God
no small wonder!</p> | <p>2 Small wonder the kings, small wonder they bore
the gold and the incense, the myrrh to adore;
but God gives his life on a cross,
no small wonder!</p> |
| <p>3 Small wonder the love, small wonder the grace,
the power, the glory, the light of his face;
but all to redeem my poor heart,
no small wonder!</p> | |

Words: Paul Wigmore (1925-2014)
Music: Paul Edwards (b. 1955)

CLOSING PRAYERS

THE BLESSING

HYMN #117 - Brightest and best of the stars of the morning.....*Morning Star*

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Please join us for a party at the west end of the cathedral.

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THIS WEEK

TUESDAY

The Feast of the Epiphany

- 9:30 AM Staff Meeting
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 6:00 PM Choral Evensong
- 7:00 PM Family Epiphany Festival

WEDNESDAY

- 10:30 AM Seeking God in a Frantic Culture (Advent House)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 1:00 PM Education for Ministry (EfM) (Westfeldt Room)
- 6:30 PM Gratitude Centered Yoga (Cathedral)
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

- 12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (Women Only)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 5:00 PM Bodytime Bootcamp
- 6:30 PM Bible Study (led by Canon Roberts)

FRIDAY

- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 9:30 AM Quiet Day (Advent House)
- 6:00 PM Holiday Party (Home of Don Hudson)

SATURDAY

- 8:00 AM Gardening Group
- 9:00 AM Office open until noon.
- 9:30 AM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 9:30 AM Centering Prayer (Advent House)

SUNDAY

- 7:30 AM The Holy Eucharist (1928 Prayer Book)
- 10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung)
- 11:15 AM Coffee Hour
- 11:30 AM Christian Formation
- 5:00 PM Yoga in the Chapel
- 6:00 PM Real Presence



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