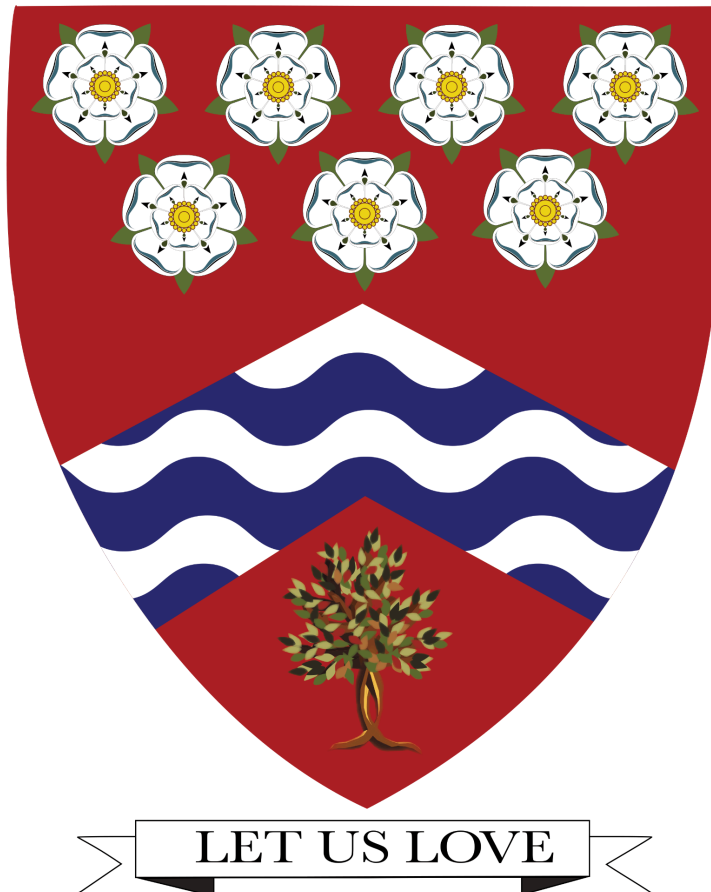


Church of the Little Flower
Berkeley Heights, NJ



The Epiphany of the Lord
January 3-4, 2026

Entrance Hymn

THE FIRST NOWELL

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Verses



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,
5. Then en - tered in those wise men three,
6. Then let us all with one ac - cord



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,
5. Full rev - 'rent - ly up - on the knee,
6. Sing prais - es to our heav - 'nly Lord;



1. In fields where 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,
6. Who with the Fa - ther we a - dore



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 where - ev - er it went.
4. Right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.
5. Their gold and myrrh and frank - in - cense.
6. And Spir - it blest for ev - er - more.

Refrain



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



Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

Text: Irregular with refrain; trad. English Carol, 17th cent.; verse 6, alt. Music: Trad. English Carol, 17th cent.

MASS OF SAINT ANN

Gloria (*Through-Composed*)

CANTOR VERSION

Ed Bolduc

INTRO **ALL:**

Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry!

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you,

we give you thanks for your great glo-ry,

Lord God, heav-en-ly King, O God, al-might-y Fa-ther. Lord Je-sus

Christ, On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther,

— you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us, you take a-

way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer; you are seat-ed at the right

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hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us. 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 Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther.

Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the

high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will. A-men.

First Reading
Isaiah 60:1-6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come,
the glory of the Lord shines upon you.

See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds
cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines,
and over you appears his glory.

Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your
shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about;
they all gather and come to you: your sons come
from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.

Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart
shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall
be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations
shall be brought to you.

Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from
Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold
and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 72

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

O God, with your judgment endow the king,
and with your justice, the king's son;
He shall govern your people with justice
and your afflicted ones with judgment.

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Justice shall flower in his days,
and profound peace, till the moon be no more.
May he rule from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts;
the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute.
All kings shall pay him homage,
all nations shall serve him.

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out,
and the afflicted when he has no one to help him.
He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor;
the lives of the poor he shall save.

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Second Reading
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Brothers and sisters:

You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation.

It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and co-partners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

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

Gospel Acclamation

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD, cont. (2)

Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 2:2

Acclamation: (Organ/SATB) NO. VII

Optional Descant

Al - le - lu - ia, _____ al - le - lu - ia, _____ al - le - lu - ia.

D G/B Asus4 A G Dadd9 D G/B A7/C# D

Al - le - lu - ia, _____ al - le - lu - ia, _____ al - le - lu - ia.

Verse: (Cantor)

Wsus2 D Wsus2 Dmaj7 Wsus2 Dmaj7

We saw _____ his star _____ at its ris - ing _____ and have

Organ

Bm7 Asus4 G Asus4 A

come _____ to do _____ him hom - age. _____

Gospel
Matthew 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born.

They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: *And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel.*"

Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out.

And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary, his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

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

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

All bow:
and by the Holy Spirit
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Preparation of the Gifts

WE THREE KINGS

KINGS OF ORIENT

Verses



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



1. tra - verse a - far Field and foun - tain, Moor and moun - tain,
2. crown him a - gain; King for - ev - er, Ceas - ing nev - er
3. De - i - ty nigh; Pray'r and prais - ing Glad - ly rais - ing,
4. gath - er - ing gloom; Sor - r'wing, sigh - ing, Bleed - ing, dy - ing,
5. Sac - ri - fice; "Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!"

Refrain



1. Fol - low - ing yon - der star. O star of won - der,
2. O - ver us all to reign.
3. Wor - ship him God on high.
4. Sealed in the stone-cold tomb.
5. Sounds through the earth and skies.



star of night, Star with roy - al beau - ty bright, West-ward



lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to the per - fect light.

Text: 88 44 6 with refrain; based on Matthew 2:1-11.

Text and music: *Carols, Hymns and Songs*, 1863; John H. Hopkins Jr., 1820-1891, alt.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -

san - na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho -

san - na in the high-est. Ho - san - na, ho -

san - na in the high - est.

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION A

We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur -

rec-tion un-til you come a - gain, un-til you come a - gain.

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AMEN

A - men, a - men, a - men.

A - men, a - men, a - men.

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LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

sins of the world, grant us peace.


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Communion


WHAT CHILD IS THIS

GREENSLEEVES

Verses




1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Ma-ry's lap is
2. Why lies he in such mean es - tate Where ox and ass are
3. So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, Come peas-ant, king, to




1. sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, While
2. feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear: for sin - ners here The
3. own him; The King of kings sal - va - tion brings, Let


Refrain



1. shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is Christ the
2. si - lent Word is plead - ing.
3. lov - ing hearts en - throne him.



King, Whom shep-herds guard and an - gels sing; Haste,



haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Ma - ry.

Text: 87 87 with refrain; William C. Dix, 1827-1898. Music: English melody, 16th cent.

IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR

CAROL



1. It came up - on the mid - night clear, That glo - rious
 2. Still through the clo - ven skies they come, With peace - ful
 3. And ye, be - neath life's crush - ing load, Whose forms are
 4. For, lo, the days are has - tening on, By proph - et

1. song of old, From an - gels bend - ing near the
 2. wings un - furled, And still their heav'n - ly mu - sic
 3. bend - ing low, Who toil a - long the climb - ing
 4. bards fore - told, When with the ev - er - cir - cling

1. earth To touch their harps of gold: "Peace on the earth, good
 2. floats O'er all the wea - ry world: A - bove its sad and
 3. way With pain - ful steps and slow, Look now! for glad and
 4. years Comes 'round the age of gold; When peace shall o - ver

1. will to all From heav'n's all gra - cious King;" The
 2. low - ly plains They bend on hov - 'ring wing, And
 3. gold - en hours Come swift - ly on the wing: O
 4. all the earth Its an - cient splen - dors fling, And

1. world in sol - emn still - ness lay, To hear the an - gels sing.
 2. ev - er o'er its Ba - bel sounds The bless - ed an - gels sing.
 3. rest be - side the wea - ry road And hear the an - gels sing.
 4. all the world give back the song Which now the an - gels sing.

Text: CMD; Edmund H. Sears, 1810–1876, alt. Music: Richard S. Willis, 1819–1900, alt.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.



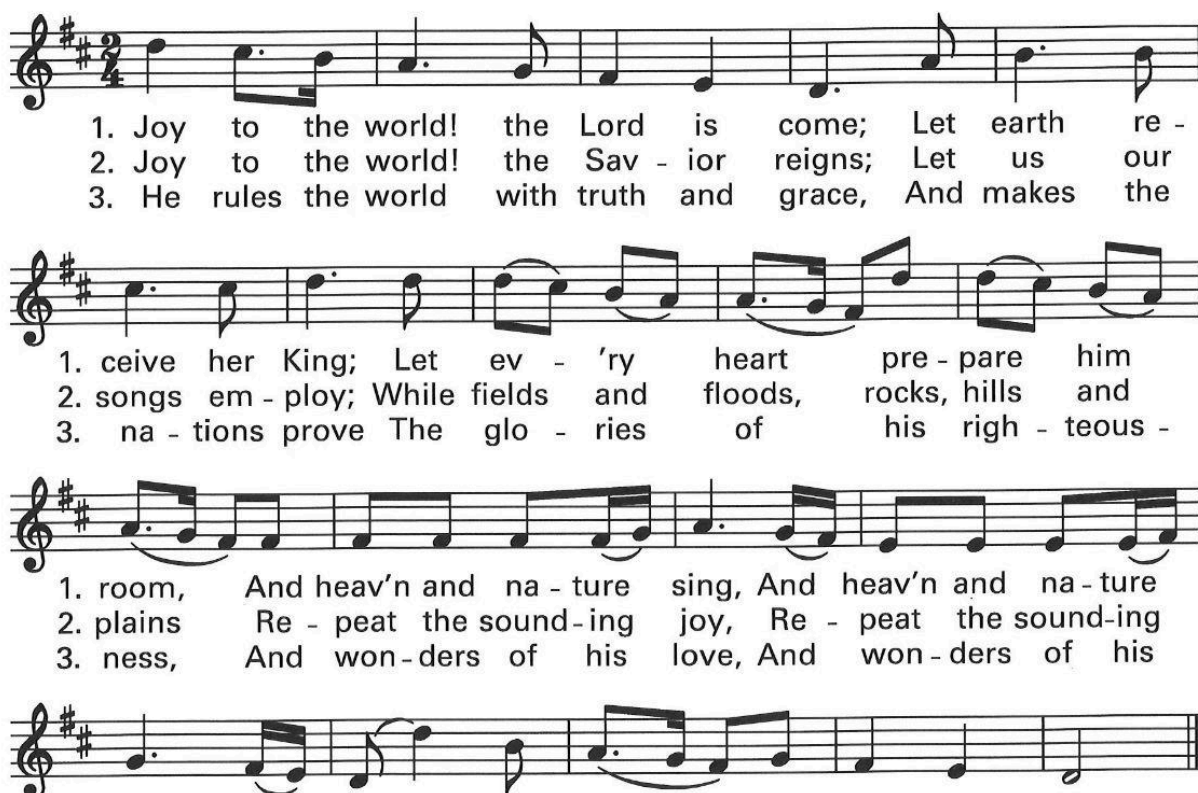
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Recessional

JOY TO THE WORLD

ANTIOCH



1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come; Let earth re -
2. Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns; Let us our
3. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the

1. ceive her King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him
2. songs em - ploy; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and
3. na - tions prove The glo - ries of his righ - teous -

1. room, And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture
2. plains Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing
3. ness, And won - ders of his love, And won - ders of his

1. sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
2. joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
3. love, And won - ders, won - ders of his love.

Text: CM with repeats; based on Psalm 98; Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.
Music: T. Hawkes' *Collection of Tunes*, 1833; George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759.

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