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# The Basilica of Saint Peter

1529 Assembly Street Columbia, SC 29201



**The Nativity of the Lord  
(Mass during the Night)**

Friday, December 24, 2021 • 10PM

# Prelude

(begins 9:30pm)

ORGAN

Il est né le divin enfant

Marcel Dupré

(1886-1971)

CAROL

Arr. Willcocks

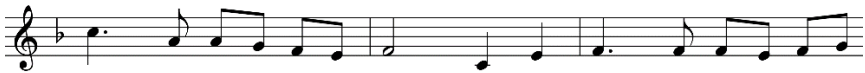
"Once in Royal David's City"

Irby

(vs. 1 sung by a soloist, vs. 2-5 by all)



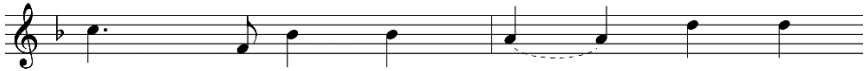
2. He came down to earth from heav - en Who is  
3. And through all his won - drous child - hood He would  
4. For he is our child - hood's pat - tern, Day by  
5. And our eyes at last shall see him, Through his



God and Lord of all, And his shel - ter was a  
hon - or and o - bey, Love and watch the low - ly  
day like us he grew; He was lit - tle, weak, and  
own re - deem - ing love; For that child so dear and



sta - ble, And his cra - dle was a stall. With the  
maid - en In whose gen - tle arms he lay. Chris - tian  
help - less, Tears and smiles like us he knew: And he  
gen - tle Is our Lord in heav'n a - bove: And he



poor and mean and low - ly Lived on  
chil - dren all should be Kind, o -  
feels for all our sad - ness, And he  
leads his chil - dren on To the



earth our Sav - ior ho - ly.  
be - dient, good as he.  
shares in all our glad - ness.  
place where he has gone.

CHOIR

Hodie

James Whitbourn

(b. 1963)

*Hodie Christus natus est. The holy child is born. In his love man's hope does rest On this eternal morn. Cherubs with trumpets shatter the stars. Seraphs touch their strings. Saints, angels, choirs are massed. The Word seeds the heav'n in rings. In a blessed stable a picture is seen. Parents, Jesus there. An ass looking on, an ox beaming At the best hay of the year. Hodie Christus natus est. The holy child is born. In his love man's hope does rest On this eternal morn. The wise men are no longer wise: God in the crib has bewildered them. They place their gifts around the sides. Kneel and pray.*

*Adore him. Yet in this joy is sensed a shadow, An intimation of loss. A ghostly fear of a dark*

*tomorrow With thorns and a heavy cross. But now the heav'ns spin fast around, It's jubilation day.  
Infinity's ears are whipped by sound, Would this day so stay. Hodie Christus natus est. The holy  
child is born. In his love man's hope does rest On this eternal morn.*

## CAROL

**"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"** *Veni, Veni, Emmanuel*

**Vs. 1 O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here, Until the Son of God appear.**

*Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

**Vs. 2 O come, O Rod of Jesse's stem, From ev'ry foe deliver them  
That trust your mighty power to save, And give them vict'ry o'er the  
grave. Refrain.**

**Vs. 3 O come, O Key of David, come And open wide our heav'nly  
home.  
Make safe the way that leads on high, And close the path to misery.  
Refrain.**

**Vs. 4 Sung by the choir**

**Vs. 5 O come, Desire of nations, bind In one the hearts of humankind;  
O bid our sad divisions cease, And be for us our King of Peace. Refrain.**

**CHOIR "Angels We Have Heard on High"** Matthew Culloton  
(b. 1976)

The text for this piece can be found in **Worship # 376**

## CAROL

Arr. Willcocks

**"God Rest You Merry Gentlemen"** *God Rest You Merry*

**Vs. 1 God rest you merry, gentlemen, let nothing you dismay,  
remember Christ our Savior was born on Christmas day,  
to save us all from Satan's pow'r when we were gone astray;**

*Refrain: O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O tidings of  
comfort and joy.*

**Vs. 2 From God our heav'nly Father, a blessed angel came;  
and unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same:  
how that in Bethlehem was born the son of God by name. Refrain**

Vs. 3 **Now to the Lord sing praises, All you within this place,  
And with true love and brotherhood Each other now embrace;  
This holy tide of Christmas doth bring redeeming grace. Refrain.**

CHOIR “Seek Him that Maketh the Seven Stars” Jonathan Dove  
(b. 1959)

*Seek him that maketh the seven stars and Orion And turneth the shadow of death into the morning  
Alleluia, yea, the darkness shineth as the day The night is light about me  
Amen.*

ORGAN *Noël Huron* Denis Bédard  
(b. 1950)

CHOIR “Mary’s Magnificat” Andrew Carter  
(b. 1939)

*Softly a light is stealing, Sweetly a maiden sings, Ever wakeful, ever wistful,  
Watching faithfully, thankfully, Tenderly her King of kings.  
My soul doth magnify, Doth magnify the Lord:  
And my spirit hath rejoiced, Rejoiced in God my Saviour.  
Mary her song to Jesus Softly serenely sings:  
“I will love you, I will serve you, May my lullaby glorify,  
Magnify my King of kings”.  
Lullaby, lullaby.*

ORGAN *Noël Suisse* Louis-Claude Daquin  
(1694-1772)

CHOIR *O Magnum Mystrium* Tomás Luis de Victoria  
(c. 1548-1611)

*O magnum mysterium  
et admirabile sacramentum,  
ut animalia viderent Dominum natum  
jacentem in praesepio.  
O beata Virgo, cujus viscera meruerunt  
portare Dominum Jesum Christum.  
Alleluia!*

*O great mystery  
and wonderful sacrament,  
that animals should see the new-born Lord  
lying in a manger!  
O blessed is the Virgin, whose womb  
was worthy to bear Jesus Christ the Lord.  
Alleluia!*

## Order of the Mass

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## ENTRANCE RITE

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### PROCLAMATION OF THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

INTROIT *Dominus dixit* Roman Martyrology  
*Mode II*

*Dominus dixit ad me: Filius meus es tu,  
ego hódie génui te.  
Ps. Quare fremuerunt gentes: et pópuli  
meditáti sunt inánia?*

*The Lord hath said to me: Thou art My Son,  
this day have I begotten Thee.  
Ps. Why have the Gentiles raged, and the  
people devised vain things?*

# HYMN AT THE PROCESSION

Arr. Willcocks

*Adeste Fideles*

*Adeste Fideles*

1. Ad - é - ste fī - dé - les, laé - ti, tri - um - phán - tes, Ve -  
 2. De - um de De - o, Lu - men de Lú - mi - ne  
 3. Can - tet nunc i - o, cho - rus an - ge - lo - rum,  
 4. Er - go qui na - tus Di - e ho - di - ér - na,  
 ní - te, ve - ní - te in Béth - le - hem.  
 Ge - stant pu - él - lae ví - sce - ra.  
 Can - tet nunc au - la cae - lés - ti - um.  
 Je - su ti - bi sit gló - ri - a.  
 Na - tum vi - dé - te, Re - gem an - ge - ló - rum.  
 De - um ve - rum, Gé - ni - tum, non fa - ctum.  
 Gló - ri - a, gló - ria, in ex - cél - sis De - o.  
 Pa - tris ae - ter - nae ver - bum ca - ro fa - ctum.  
 Ve - ní - te a - do - ré - mus, ve - ní - te a - do - ré - mus,  
 ve - ní - te a - do - ré - mus Dó - mi - num.

## PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, *[striking the breast]* through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

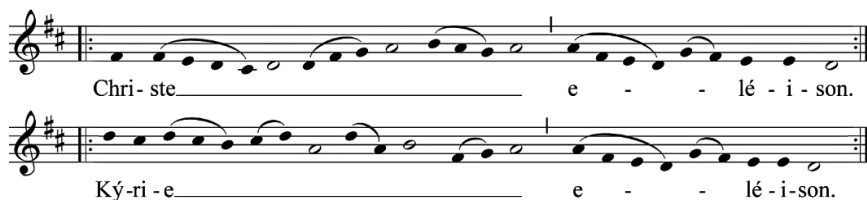
KYRIE

*Missa de Angelis*

*Mode XV-XVI*

Each section first sung by cantor, then **All repeat.**

Ký - ri - e - lé - i - son.



## GLORIA

Peter Jones

Refrain: 1st time: Cantor/Choir, All repeat; thereafter: All



Cantor/Choir: We praise you, we bless you,



Cantor/Choir: we adore you, **(Refrain 2)**

Cantor/Choir: we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, **(Refrain 2)**

Cantor/Choir: heavenly King, **(Refrain 2)**

Cantor/Choir: O God, almighty Father. **(Refrain 1)**

Cantor/Choir: Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;



Cantor/Choir: you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer,



Cantor/Choir: you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us. **(Refrain 3)**

Cantor/Choir: Glory to God, glory in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will. **(Refrain 1)**

Cantor/Choir: For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God, the glory of God the Father. **(Refrain 1)**

A - men.

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# LITURGY OF THE WORD

## FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:1-6

THE people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone. You have brought them abundant joy and great rejoicing, as they rejoice before you as at the harvest, as people make merry when dividing spoils. For the yoke that burdened them, the pole on their shoulder, and the rod of their taskmaster you have smashed, as on the day of Midian. For every boot that tramped in battle, every cloak rolled in blood, will be burned as fuel for flames. For a child is born to us, a son is given us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace. His dominion is vast and forever peaceful, from David's throne, and over his kingdom, which he confirms and sustains by judgment and justice, both now and forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this!

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM 96 (95)** *Cantate Domino*

Michel Guimont



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## SECOND READING

Titus 2:11-14

**B**ELOVED: The grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age, as we await

the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jacques Berthier



### GOSPEL

Luke 1:26-38

**I**N those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town. And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there, the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

### HOMILY

The Very Reverend Canon Gary S. Linsky, VF



## PROFESSION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

(Please kneel at the words in italics)

**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 KNEEL]* 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.

## UNIVERSAL PRAYER

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# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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### ANTHEM

“A Babe is Born”

William Mathias

(1934-1992)

*A babe is born all of a may, To bring salvation unto us. To him we sing both night and day.*

*Veni creator Spiritus.*

*At Bethlehem, that blessed place, The child of bliss now born he was;*

*And him to serve God give us grace, O lux beata Trinitas.*

*There came three kings out of the East, To worship the King that is so free,*

*With gold and myrrh and frank incense, A solis ortus cardine.*

*A fair song that night sung they In worship of that child: Gloria tibi Domine.*

*A babe is born all of a may, To bring salvation unto us.*

*To him we sing both night and day.*

*Veni creator Spiritus, O lux beata Trinitas, A solis ortus cardine,*

*Gloria tibi Domine. Noel!*

# HYMN AT THE PREPARATION

Arr. DeRouen

## "Joy to the World"

*Antioch*



1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let  
 2. Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let  
 3. No more let sin and sor - row grow, Nor  
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, And



earth re - ceive her king; Let ev - 'ry  
 us our songs em - ploy; While fields and  
 thorns in - fest the ground; He comes to  
 makes the na - tions prove The glo - ries



heart pre - pare him room And heav'n and na - ture  
 floods, rocks, hills and plains Re - peat the sound - ing  
 make his bless - ings flow Far as the curse is  
 of his right - eous - ness, And won - ders of his



sing, And heav'n and na - ture sing, And  
 joy, Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re -  
 found, Far as the curse is found, Far  
 love, And won - ders of his love, And



heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.  
 peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
 as, far as the curse is found.  
 won - ders, won - ders of his love.

## SANCTUS

*Missa de Angelis*

*Mode VI, XII*



San - ctus, \* San - ctus, San -



ctus Dó - mi - nus De - us Sá -



ba - oth. Ple - ni sunt cae - li et

ter - ra gló - ri - a tu - a. Ho - sán -  
na in ex - cél - sis. Be - ne - dí - ctus qui  
ve - nit in nó - mi - ne Dó - mi - ni. Ho - sán -  
na in ex - cél - sis.

## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Plainsong

*Priest:*  
My - sté - ri - um fí - de - i.  
*All:*  
Mor - tem tu - am an - nun - ti - á - mus, Dó - mi - ne, et tu - am  
re - sur - re - cti - ó - nem con - fi - té - mur, do - nec vé - ni - as.

## GREAT AMEN

Plainchant

Mode II

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

*The exchanging of the Sign of Peace is omitted*

## AGNUS DEI

Missa De Angelis

Mode VI, XV

*Cantor:* A - gnus De - i, *All:* qui tol - lis pec - cá -  
ta mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis.  
*Cantor:* A - gnus De - i, *All:* qui tol - lis pec - cá -



## GUIDELINES FOR RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

### For Catholics

As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

### For our fellow Christians

We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (Jn 17:21).

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 §4). Members of the Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of Communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 §3).

### For those not receiving Holy Communion

All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

### For non-Christians

We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

## An Act of Spiritual Communion

*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*

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*In splendoribus sanctorum*

*Mode VI*

*In splendoribus sanctorum ex utero ante  
luciferum genui te*

*In the splendor of holiness, from the womb  
before the daystar I have begotten you.*

## COMMUNION MOTET

*"In the Bleak Mid-winter"*

**Harold Darke**

(1888-1976)

*In the bleak midwinter frosty winds made moan, Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;*

*Snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow, In the bleak midwinter long ago.*

*Our God, Heav'n cannot hold him nor earth sustain; Heav'n and earth shall flee away when he comes to reign: In the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed. The Lord God Almighty Jesus Christ. Enough for him, whom cherubim worship night and day, A breastful of milk and a mangerful of hay:*

*Enough for him, whom angels fall down before, The ox and ass and camel which adore.*

*What can I give him poor as I am? If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb,*

*If I were a Wise Man I would do my part, Yet what I can I give him, give my heart.*

## COMMUNION HYMNS

*"The First Nowell"*

*The First Nowell*



1. The first No - well the an - gel did say Was to  
2. They look - ed up and saw a star Shin - ing  
3. And by the light of that same star Three  
6. Then let us all with one ac - cord Sing



cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay; In  
in the east be - yond them far; And  
wise men came from coun - try far; To  
prais - es to our heav - 'nly Lord, Who



fields where they lay keep - ing their sheep, On a  
to the earth it gave great light, And  
seek for a king was their in - tent, And to  
made the heav'ns and earth of naught, And

cold win-ter's night that was so deep.  
 so it con-tin-ued both day and night.  
 fol-low the star where-ev-er it went.  
 with his blood our life has bought.

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

Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

# "T'was in the Moon of Wintertime"

*Une Jeune Pucelle*

1. 'Twas in the moon of win-ter-time, When all the birds had fled, That
2. With-in a lodge of bro-ken bark The ten-der babe was found; A
3. The ear-liest moon of win-ter-time Is not so round and fair As
4. O chil-dren of the for-est free, The an-gel song is true; The

God the Lord of all the earth Sent an-gel choirs in- stead; Be-  
 rag- ged robe of rab- bit skin En- wrapped his beau- ty round; But  
 was the ring of glo- ry on The help- less in- fant there. The  
 ho- ly child of earth and heaven Is born to- day for you. Come

fore their light the stars grew dim, And won-d'ring hunt-ers heard the hymn:  
 as the hunt-er braves drew nigh, The an-gel song rang loud and high:  
 chiefs from far be- fore him knelt With gifts of fox and bea- ver pelt.  
 kneel be- fore the ra- dian-ty boy, Who brings you beau- ty, peace, and joy.

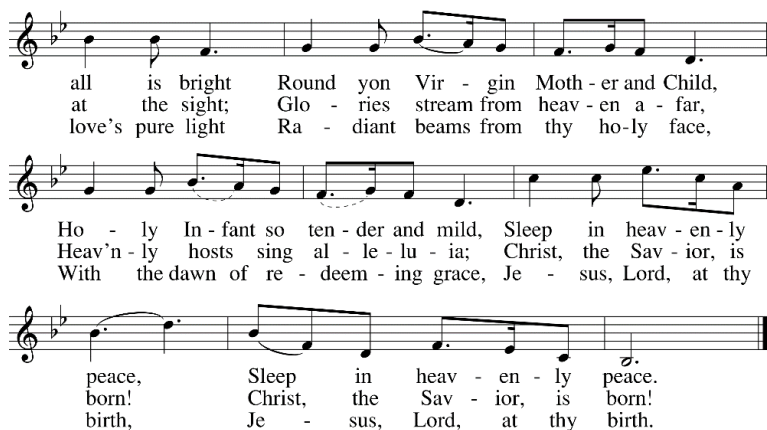
Je- sus your king is born, Je- sus is born, in ex- cel-sis glo- ri- a.

## HYMN DURING THE ABLUTIONS

### "Silent Night, Holy Night"

*Stille Nacht*

1. Si- lent night, ho- ly night, All is calm,
2. Si- lent night, ho- ly night, Shep- herds quake
3. Si- lent night, ho- ly night, Son of God,



all is bright Round yon Vir - gin Moth - er and Child,  
at the sight; Glo - ries stream from heav - en a - far,  
love's pure light Ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face,

Ho - ly In - fant so ten - der and mild, Sleep in heav - en - ly  
Heav'n - ly hosts sing al - le - lu - ia; Christ, the Sav - ior, is  
With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy  
peace, Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.  
born! Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!  
birth, Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.

## CONCLUDING RITES

### PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

*St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.*

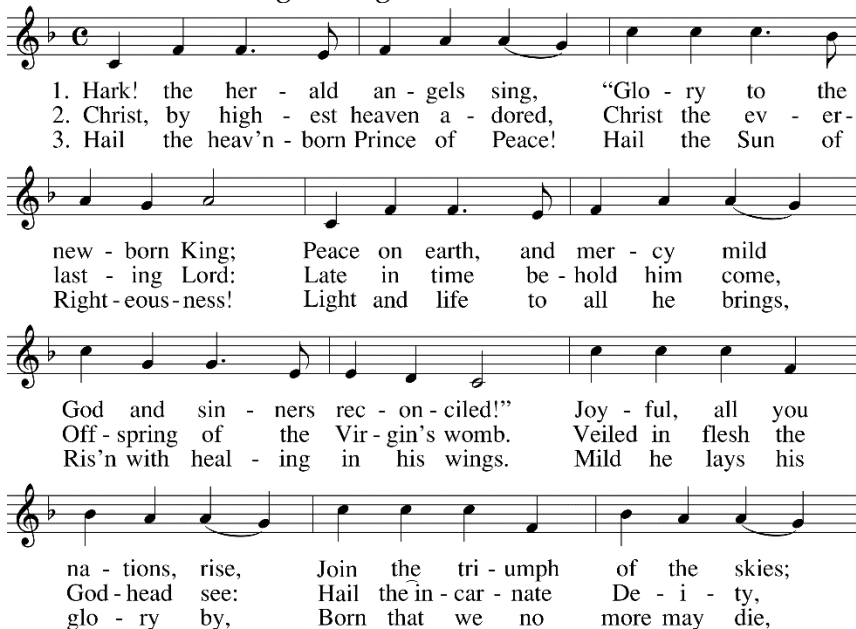
*Amen.*

### RECESSIONAL HYMN

Arr. Willcocks

#### "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

Mendelssohn

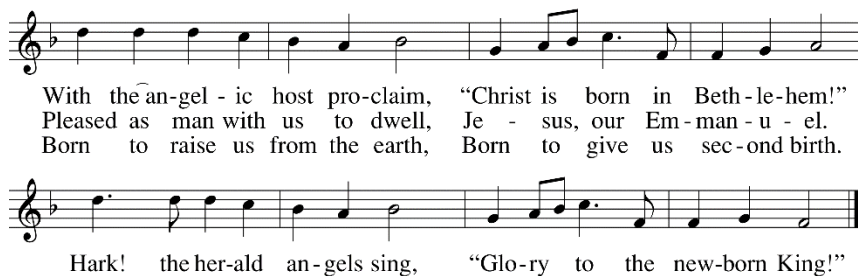


1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the  
2. Christ, by high - est heaven a - dored, Christ the ev - er -  
3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of

new - born King; Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild  
last - ing Lord: Late in time be - hold him come,  
Right - eous - ness! Light and life to all he brings,

God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!" Joy - ful, all you  
Off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb. Veiled in flesh the  
Ris'n with heal - ing in his wings. Mild he lays his

na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies;  
God - head see: Hail the in - car - nate De - i - ty,  
glo - ry by, Born that we no more may die,



**POSTLUDE**      Bring a Torch, Jeanette Isabella      Keith Chapman  
(1945-1989)

*The music for this Mass is provided by:*

St. Peter's Gallery Choir

Jordan DeRouen – *Organist/Choirmaster*

Keith Dembitsky – *Trumpet*

Alex Deloach – *Trumpet*

Carla Dembitsky – *Horn*

Alex Doolittle – *Trombone*

Clara Ungerer – *Tuba*

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