

Second Sunday after Christmas
January 3, 2021
10:00 a.m.

The Liturgy of the Word: Rite II



We are delighted to welcome you to our online liturgy. During this time of Shelter in Place, we regret our worship will not include Holy Communion. Nonetheless, we remain one in the Spirit.

The Prelude: Little Drummer Boy Kathleen Kennicott Warner, 1941

Welcome

The Introit Hymn: Three Kings of Orient

Hymnal #128



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 wonder, 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 image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The first system ends with a double bar line, and the second system continues the melody and accompaniment.

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The people standing

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. *BCP, Page 355*

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

The Collect for Purity

***All:* O God of love, you are the true sun of the world,**

Evermore risen and never going down.

We pray you to shine in our hearts,

that the darkness of sin and the mist of error being driven away, we

may this day, and all our life long,

walk without stumbling in the way you have prepared for us, which

is Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God in glory everlasting. Amen.

The Gloria in Excelsis

Hymnal #S280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Old Testament: Jeremiah 31:7-14

Thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,
"Save, O LORD, your people,
the remnant of Israel."

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame, those with child and
those in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come,
and with consolations I will lead them back,

I will let them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;
for I have become a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Hear the word of the LORD, O nations,
and declare it in the coastlands far away;
say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him,
and will keep him as a shepherd a flock."

For the LORD has ransomed Jacob,
and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.

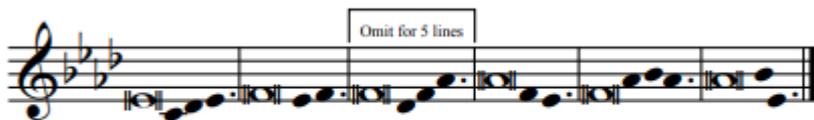
They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion,
 and they shall be radiant over the goodness of
 the LORD,
 over the grain, the wine, and the oil,
 and over the young of the flock and the herd;
 their life shall become like a watered garden,
 and they shall never languish again.
 Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance,
 and the young men and the old shall be merry.
 I will turn their mourning into joy,
 I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.
 I will give the priests their fill of fatness,
 and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty,
 says the LORD.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm Quam dilecta!

84 or 84:1-8

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How dear to me is your dwelling,
 O LORD of hosts!
 My soul has a desire and longing
 for the courts of the LORD;
 my heart and my flesh
 rejoice in the living God.

The sparrow has found her a house
 and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young;

by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts,
my King and my God.

Happy are they who dwell in your house!
they will always be praising you.

Happy are the people whose strength is in you!
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of
springs,
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

They will climb from height to height,
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer;
hearken, O God of Jacob.

Behold our defender, O God;
and look upon the face of your Anointed.

For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own
room,
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God.

For the LORD God is both sun and shield;
he will give grace and glory;

No good thing will the LORD withhold
from those who walk with integrity.

O LORD of hosts,
happy are they who put their trust in you!

The Epistle: *Ephesians*

1:3-6,15-19a

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the

good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual verse: ***Hymnal #96 (vs 3)***

Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on blended knee Christ, the Lord, the newborn king.
Glo-ria in Excelsis Deo. Glo-ria in Excelsis Deo.

The Gospel: *St Matthew*

2:1-12

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: **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.
All: **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The first system is labeled 'Refrain' and contains the lyrics 'Glo - ri - a'. The second system contains the lyrics 'in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - ri - a'. The third system contains the lyrics 'ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.' The music is written in a key with one flat (B-flat major or D minor) and a 4/4 time signature. The vocal line features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, often beamed together, with some notes held over. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and moving bass lines.

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. 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.

The Intercessions:

The true light has come into the world, and we have seen his glory. We pray that this light will always shine through us as we make our way through the world you have made.

From his fullness,

we have all received, grace upon grace.

We pray that the true light will illumine your faithful people. We pray for Marc and all bishops, priests and deacons who guide and support your people in their ministries.

From his fullness,

we have all received, grace upon grace.

We pray that the true light will enlighten those in authority throughout the world; that the way to justice and peace will be clear, that the needs of people in every corner of the world will be met, and that violence and poverty will be no more.

From his fullness,

we have all received, grace upon grace.

We pray that the true light will highlight those who need your love and peace the most; those who suffer from illness and anxiety, those whose relationships are broken, those who live in fear and despair. We pray especially for healing for Miles Martin, Frank Brown, Barbara and John Milligan, Carol Newman and Judy Marshall and for all who have asked us to pray for them.

From his fullness,

we have all received, grace upon grace.

We pray that those who have died will be joyfully received into your eternal light, and find bliss in your everlasting glory. We pray for Chiyo Yakushi and Mary Nicholson and all the departed. Bring us all into your glorious light when our journey here is complete.

We pray this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who has brought us out of darkness into the light. From his fullness,

we have all received, grace upon grace.

For all the possibilities ahead in this New Year, make us thankful, O Lord. Give us wisdom, courage, and discernment in the face of so much chaos, despair, and fear. Help us to see how we can contribute towards peace, faith, and love. And give us the will and strength to translate our desires into actions. From his fullness,

we have all received, grace upon grace.

For what else shall we pray? [*silence*]

Priest: Let us pray together:

All: Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

The Confession & Absolution

As salvation dawns upon us, let us confess our sins in penitence and faith. (*Silence*)

All: Have mercy upon us, most merciful God; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest: 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.

The Peace

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I leave with you; my own peace do I give you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and grant us peace and unity according to your will, who lives and reigns God throughout all ages, world without end. **Amen.**

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

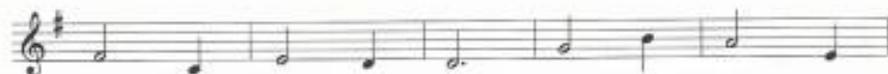
All: **And also with you.**

Priest: Let us offer one another some sign of Peace.

The Offertory Sentence: Thus says the Lord our God, I will turn your mourning into joy, I will comfort you, and give you joy for sorrow.



1. Who would think that what was need-ed To trans-
2. Shep - herds watch and wise men won-der, Mon - archs
3. Cen - tu - ries of skill and sci-ence Span the



form and save the earth Might not be a
scorn and an - gels sing; Such a place as
past from which we move, Yet ex - pe - rience



plan or ar - my, Proud in pur - pose, proved in
none would reck - on Hosts a ho - ly help - less
ques - tions wheth - er, With such pro - gress, we im -



worth? Who would think, de - spite de - ri - sion,
thing; Sta - ble beasts and by - passed stran - gers
prove. While the hu - man lot we pon - der,



That a child should lead the way?
Watch a ba - by laid in hay; God sur - pris - es
Lest our hopes and hu - mor fray,



earth with heav-en, Com - ing here on Christ - mas Day,

Priest: And now, as our Savior Christ 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
forever and ever. Amen**

The Announcements

The Benediction:

May He who by His Incarnation gathered into one, things earthly and heavenly, fill you with the sweetness of inward peace and goodwill; and the blessing of God Almighty, (+) the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Recessional Hymn: Greensleeves

Hymnal #115

Unison or harmony



1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, on
2 Why lies he in, such mean es - tate where
3 So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, come,



Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with
ox and ass are feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear: for
peas - ant, king, to own him; the King of kings sal -



an - thems sweet, while shep - herds watch are keep - ing?
sin - ners here the si - lent Word is plead - ing.
va - tion brings, let lov - ing hearts en - throne him.

Refrain

This, this is Christ the King, whom shep - herds
guard and an - gels sing; haste, haste to
bring him laud, the babe, the son of Ma - ry.

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The Dismissal

Priest: Let us bless the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Postlude: *Good King Wenceslas* John Mason Neale, 1853

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are looking for additional Lectors and Intercissors please contact Margie Lee at stambrosefc@att.net if you are interested in joining our Sunday Services to be added to our rotation.

Weekly Calendar

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Sunday	Jan 3	10:00 am	Worship Service
		11:00 am	Zoom Coffee Hour
		4:00 pm	Zoom Youth Group Meeting
Monday	Jan 4	1:00 pm	Zoom Bible Study
Tuesday	Jan 5		
Wednesday	Jan 6	10:00 am	Contemplative Meditation
Thursday	Jan 7		
Friday	Jan 8		
Saturday	Jan 9		
Sunday	Jan 10		

TODAY

Sunday, January 3, 11:00 am: Zoom Coffee Hour, contact Shelley Keefe on 650 787-7614 for questions

Join Zoom Meeting with the following link: [Zoom Coffee Hour](#)
Meeting ID: 842 7401 5203
Passcode: 479439

Sunday, January 3, 4:00 pm Zoom Youth Group Meeting

For Zoom link, please contact Daniel Tate at ym_stambrosefc@att.net or 650-799-7084

THIS WEEK

Monday, January 4, 1:00 pm Zoom Bible Study. For Zoom link, please contact Daniel Tate at dtate@ses.cdsp.edu or 650-799-7084

Contemplative Meditation

We're very excited to announce that Father Shane will be guiding a thirty-minute weekly contemplative meditation on Wednesdays at 10am. We're fortunate that in his previous life Father Shane was a monk and are looking forward to sharing this experience with him.

Please send an email to Hamilton Fong (hfongster@gmail.com) or to Nilda Chong (nchongmd@gmail.com) if you wish to be included in the Zoom invitation.

Prayer list: We pray especially for Peggy Redmond, Yvonne Sidell, Jerelyn Weber, Charlene Adolph, Miles Martin, Frank Brown, Barbara and John Milligan, Ed Avakoff, Peter Gee, Nellie Wong, Max Gumbert, Peter, and Grace and Isabella, Ding Jai Li, Jerry Boykin, Sylvia Brooks, Judy Marshall, Carol Newman

[Please contact the parish office to add any names of the sick and suffering to be prayed for in our monthly cycle of prayer.]

The Altar Flowers are given by

The Donald and Elizabeth Peter in memory of Mary Nicholson

In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for:

Dioceses of Lahore (Pakistan), South Western Brazil and Southeast Florida (USA), Lainya (South Sudan) and Southeastern Mexico, Lake Malawi, Southern Brazil, and Gippsland (Australia), Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand, and Polynesia, Lake Rukwa and the Southern Highlands (both in Tanzania, and Gitega (Burundi), Lango (Uganda), Southern Malawi, and Glasgow and Galloway (Scotland), Langtang (Nigeria) and Southern Nyanza (Kenya)

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for:

Ruth Meyers, Peter Lawson, Robert Kossler, Jane McDougle, Mary Moreno Richardson, Elaine Reichert, Michael Reddig, Richard Schaper and Thomas Traylor

In the Diocesan cycle of California

Epiphany, San Carlos

The Mission of St. Ambrose Church of Foster City

Is to proclaim the Good News of God
in Jesus Christ as we care for each other and
our larger community. We worship in the
Episcopal and Anglican tradition, extending
an open and inclusive invitation to all
people, welcoming children into our church family
and serving those in need.

Worship Leaders Thank You to Each of You

The Rev'd Dr. Shane Scott-Hamblen, *Interim Rector*
Warren Wong/David McIntyre Lectors
Cathy Rincon, Intercessor
Hamilton Fong, Cantor
Frank Saunders, Organist
Lydia McIntyre/Shelley Keefe Technicians

Thank you to the Worship Team and virtual congregation for joining in
worship.

Lector/Intercessor Rota:

3 Jan (R) Warren Wong/David McIntyre
Cathy Rincon (I)
10 Jan (R) Maureen Fromme/Jim Neubert
Yvonne Sidell (I)
17 Jan: (R) David McIntyre/Cathy Rincon
Shelley Keefe (I)
24 Jan: (R) Warren Wong/Yvonne Sidell
Jim Neubert (I)
31 Jan (R) Cathy Rincon/Shelley Keefe
David McIntyre (I)
7 Feb (R) Jim Neubert/Yvonne Sidell
Daniel Tate (I)

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