

ALL SOULS EPISCOPAL PARISH
2220 Cedar Street, Berkeley California



The Second Sunday of Christmas
SUNG EUCHARIST

January 4, 2021 ~ 11:15 am

*No matter who you are or where you are in your spiritual journey,
you are welcome here.*

Those of us participating in the livestream at the church are observing the physical distance and mask-wearing guidelines required by our diocese. These practices have been created in consultation with local public health officials. Given the nature of this pandemic, these practices may be changing from week to week as the situation develops.

Prelude *Vom Himmel hoch, da komm ich her*

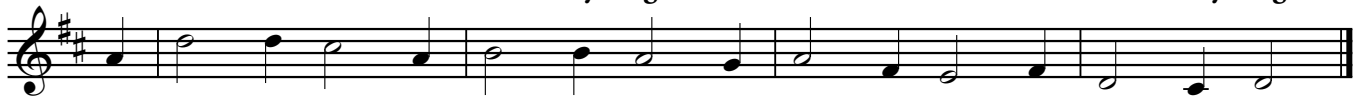
Johann Pachelbel (1653–1706)

Hymn 124 *What star is this?*

PUER NOBIS



1 What star is this, with beams so bright, more beau - teous than the noon - day light?
2 True spake the pro - phet from a - far who told the rise of Ja - cob's star;
3 The guid - ing star a - bove is bright; with - in them shines a clear - er light,
4 O Je - sus, while the star of grace im - pels us on to seek thy face,
5 To God the Fa - ther, heav'n - ly Light, to Christ, re - vealed in earth - ly night,



It shines to her - ald forth the King, and Gen - tiles to his crib to bring.
and east - ern sa - ges with a - maze up - on the won - drous to - ken gaze.
and leads them on with pow'r be - nign to seek the Giv - er of the sign.
let not our sloth - ful hearts re - fuse the guid - ance of thy light to use.
to God the Ho - ly Ghost we raise our e - qual and un - ceas - ing praise.

Acclamation

Presider Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People You come to your people and set them free.

Collect for Purity

Presider Let us pray together.

Almighty God,

All to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

1 An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,
 3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;
 and the moun - tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.
 come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.

Glo - - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Collect of the Day

Presider May God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
 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.**

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah — 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.

after the Lesson:

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Refrain, sung by members of the Choir and repeated by all:



Verses, sung by members of the Choir:

How dear to me is your dwelling, O God of hosts!

My soul has a desire and longing for your courts; 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 God of hosts, my Ruler and my God. **Refrain**

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. **Refrain**

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; the God of gods will be revealed in Zion. **Refrain**

A Reading from the Letter to the Ephesians — Ephesians 1:3–6; 15–19

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.

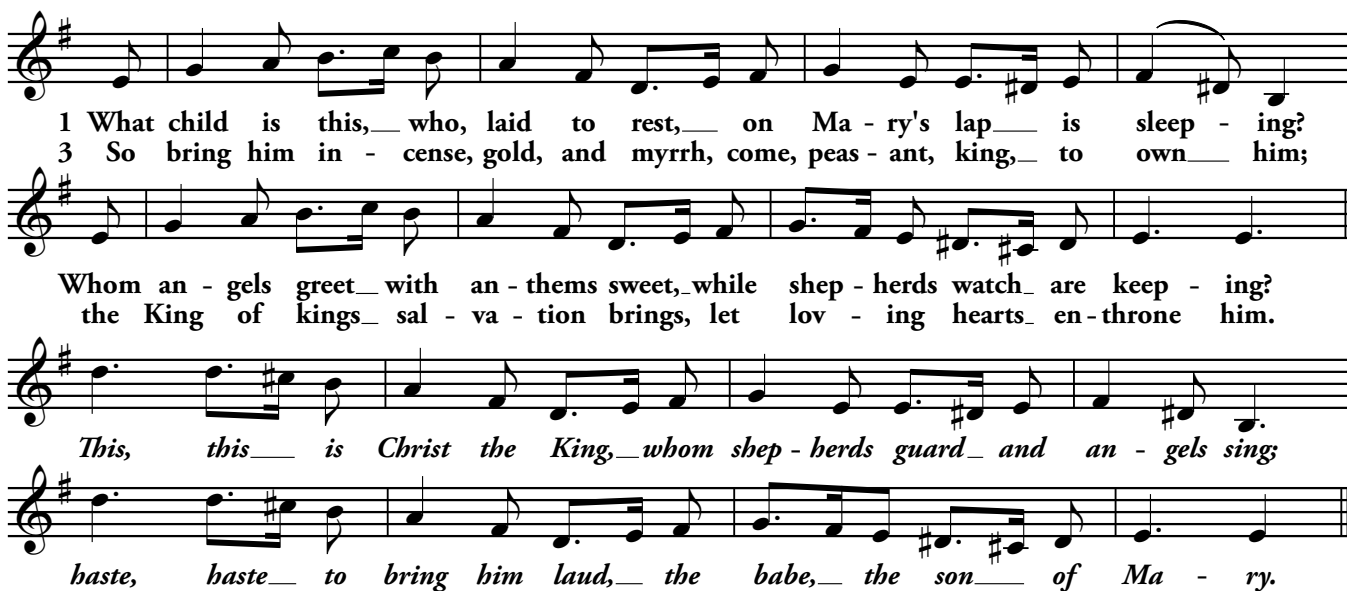
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People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 115 *What child is this? (verses 1 and 3)*

GREENSLEEVES



The Holy Gospel — John 1:1-18

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

after the Gospel:

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Michael Lemaire, *Assisting Priest*

A silence for reflection follows the sermon.

The Nicene Creed

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 Prayers of the People

Asst. Min. Let us pray to Jesus our Savior.
Intercessor Christ, born vulnerable, born outside the bounds, born to struggle, born to redeem:

All **hear our prayer.**

Christ, for our church, that we not be afraid to leave our sanctuary,
Jesus, Savior,
hear our prayer.

Christ, for President Donald Trump, President-elect Joe Biden, the Congress of the United States, and all in
leadership, let them be led by the spirit of peace and justice,
Jesus, Savior,
hear our prayer.

Christ, for our community, for our siblings who sleep on our streets, for those who worry about securing
shelter next month,
Jesus, Savior,
hear our prayer.

Christ, be with those who have lost something precious this season,
Jesus, Savior,
hear our prayer.

Christ, for any who are suffering in body, mind, or spirit, especially those suffering from the Coronavirus, and all who are caring for them,
Jesus, Savior,
hear our prayer.

Christ, lead the departed into your heavenly kingdom and be present with their loved ones in their grief,
Jesus, Savior,
hear our prayer.

Presider Jesus, Savior, holy child and Eternal Word, you hear us even when we do not have the words to pray. Glory to you for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider May the peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please take a moment in prayer to extend Christ's peace to the people in your life.

Welcome and Announcements

Thanksgivings of the Community

At this time, as we gather for the Great Thanksgiving around Christ's table, we invite any here this morning to share thanks (via the comments section on the livestream) for the movement of God's Spirit in your own life: thanks for a birthday, an anniversary, a new job, an unexpected act of compassion, or other grace-filled change in your life.



Thank you, Lord; Thank you, Lord; Thank you, Lord... We just want to thank you, Lord.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Please consider giving to support the work of All Souls in our community and in the wider world via the links on our website or via a check to the office.

Presider Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances... —1 Thessalonians 5:16–18a

At the Offertory, *Beautiful Star of Bethlehem*

Adger McDavid Pace, R. Fisher Boyce

Oh, beautiful star of Bethlehem, shining afar through shadows dim,
Giving the light for those who long have gone,
Guiding the wise men on their way unto the place where Jesus lay,
Oh, beautiful star of Bethlehem, shine on.

*Oh, beautiful star of Bethlehem,
Shine upon us until the glory dawns.
Give us a light to guide the way unto the land of perfect day;
Beautiful star of Bethlehem, shine on.*

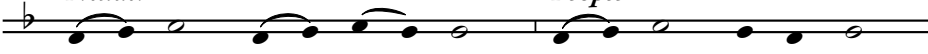

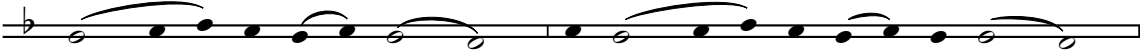

Beautiful star, the hope of light, guiding the pilgrims through the night
Over the mountains till the break of dawn,
Into the light of perfect day it will give out a lovely ray,
Oh, beautiful star of Bethlehem, shine on. *Oh, beautiful star...*

Beautiful star, the hope of rest for the redeemed, the good and blessed,
Yonder in glory when the crown is won,
Jesus is now the star divine, brighter and brighter he will shine,
Oh, beautiful star of Bethlehem, shine on. *Oh, beautiful star...*

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The Great Thanksgiving *(The Eucharistic Prayer is written by The Reverend Alissa Newton.)*

Please stand.

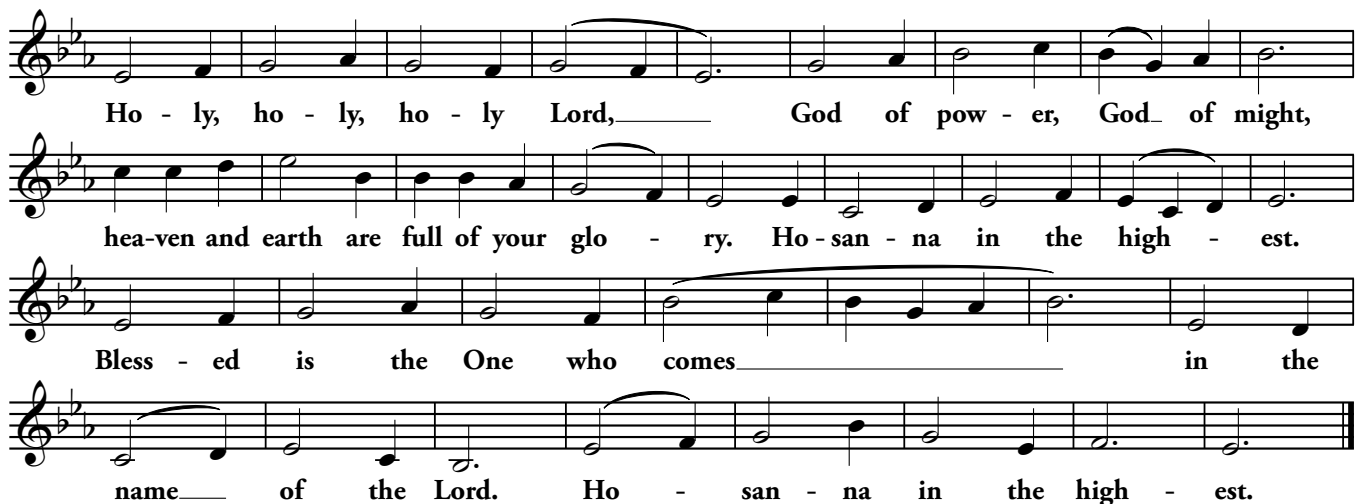
<i>Presider</i>	<i>People</i>
	
May_ God be___ with_ you. And_ al - so with you.	
	
Lift_____ up your_ hearts. We lift_____ them to___ the Lord._____	
	
Let us give thanks_____ to the Lord our God. It is right_____ to give our thanks and praise._____	





Presider Loving and powerful God, we praise you, we bless you, and we adore you; we rejoice to give thanks. You revealed your love for us in the newborn Christ Child, your only Son; He was made flesh through your Holy Spirit, Who first moved over the waters of creation, and still moves over the chaos of our lives.

We see in the newborn Jesus your love incarnate; through that love, we become your children, new and tender, yet full of hope for what is to come. Holy One, when your Christ was born all the heavens burst into song, and all creation cried out in joy. And so we join the mountains, winds, and water falls, with angels and stars, sheep and shepherds, and all your children as we sing:

Sanctus & Benedictus

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM, adapt. Jamie Apgar (b. 1986)




Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,_____ God of pow - er, God of might,

hea-ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is the One who comes_____ in the

name_____ of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We behold you with wonder, Creator of all who became a child among us. You walk alongside your people with love and forgive us with freedom. When we wander far from you, you are like a mother whose patience for her children knows no limit; you are like a child whose trust is freely extended to all. You lived as one of us, and stayed with us through all your life, even dying on a cross. Through Jesus the child and Jesus the man, You brought us into the fullness of your life, and gave us back our full humanity.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, saying: “Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

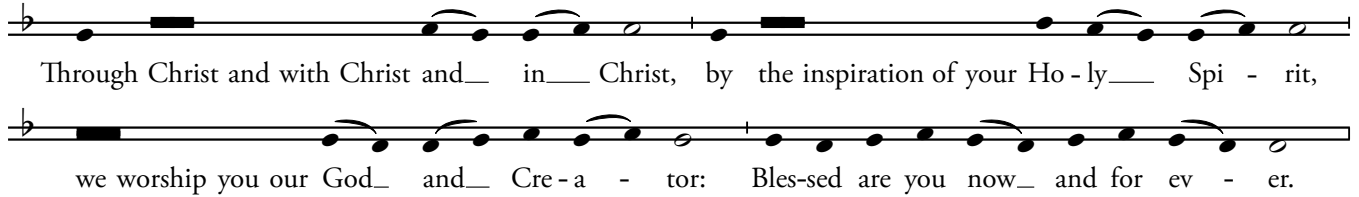
After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, and gave it to them, saying: “Drink this, all of you: this cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that he did for us: his incarnation as a child, his death on the cross, his resurrection and ascension, and longing for Christ's coming in glory, we offer you these gifts your earth has nourished and human hands have made. We acclaim you, O Christ:

All **Being born, you gave us life,**
 Dying, you destroyed our death.
 Rising, you saved us.
 Christ Jesus, arrive among us!


Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be for us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, children of your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice, and love.

Giver of Life and Father of Mercy, may we receive you as little children. Bless us with new life as your people, give us the strength and solace of your love, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Mary, the God-bearer, and all your people into your joyful kingdom.



Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Ho - ly Spi - rit,
we worship you our God and Cre - a - tor: Bles-sed are you now and for ev - er.


All




A - men.

The Lord's Prayer

Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakov (1844-1908)

Presider :  As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

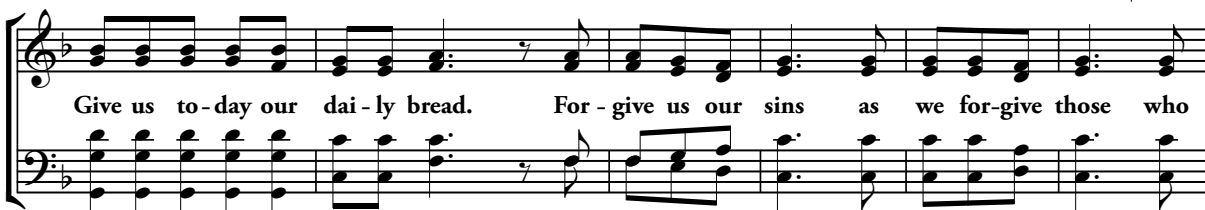
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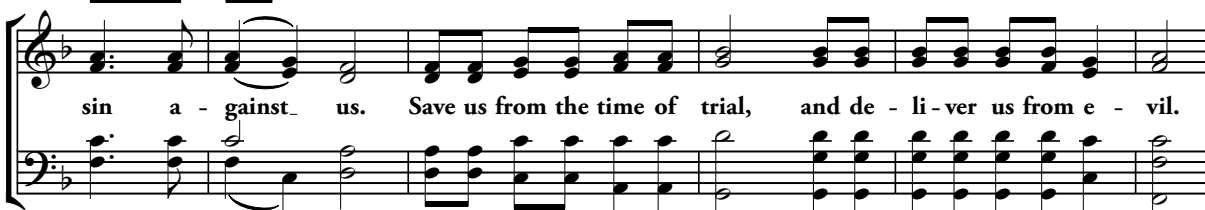
Our Fa - ther in heaven,



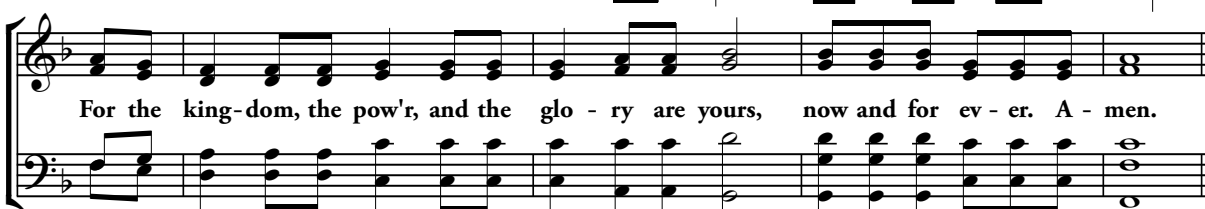
Hal - lowed be your Name. Your king - dom come. Your will be done on earth as in heav'n.



Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we for - give those who

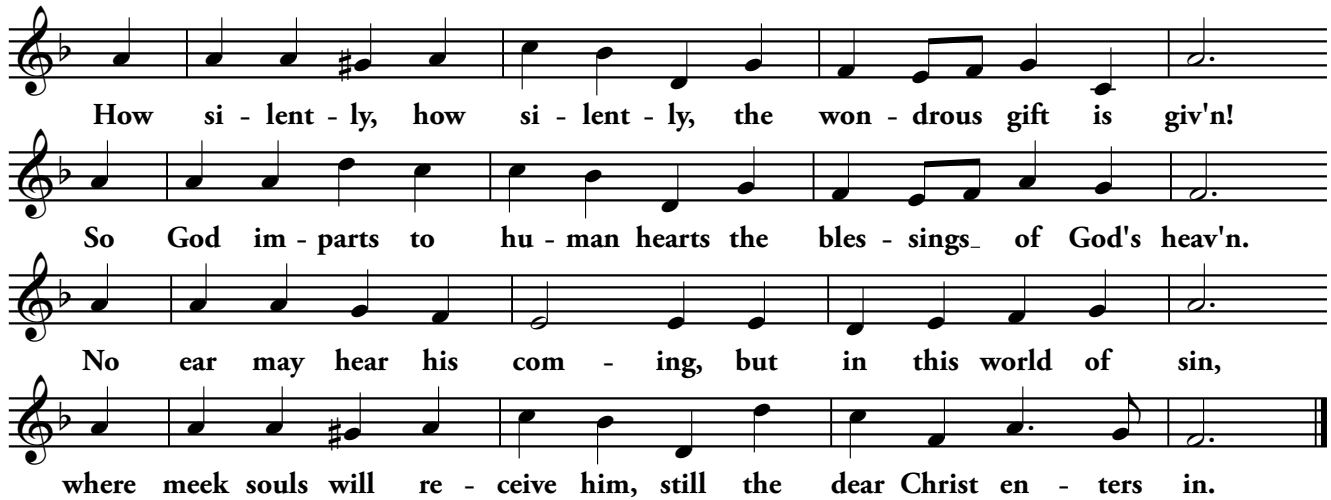


sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial, and de - li - ver us from e - vil.



For the king - dom, the pow'r, and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

After the Presider breaks the bread for us to share, a moment of prayerful silence is kept. We then sing:



How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly, the won - drous gift is giv'n!
 So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bles - sings of God's heav'n.
 No ear may hear his com - ing, but in this world of sin,
 where meek souls will re - ceive him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Since the celebration of Resurrection on that first Sunday, Christians have been remembering Christ's presence in bread and wine. We will be keeping this practice week by week with different members of All Souls receiving for the community.

For centuries the Church has also come to trust in the presence of Christ with us even when we cannot partake in the bread and wine, what is often known as spiritual communion. As the bread and wine are being shared at the altar at All Souls, we invite you to pray this prayer and ask Christ to be present with you.

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I offer you praise and thanksgiving. Since I cannot receive you this day in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I ask you to be present spiritually in my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Adapted from *A Prayer Book for the Armed Services* 2008, page 147

At Communion, *Where is this stupendous stranger?*

OTTERY ST. MARY, Henry Ley (1887–1962)

Sung by members of the Choir:

Where is this stupendous Stranger? Prophets, shepherds, kings, advise!
 Lead me to my Master's manger, show me where my Savior lies.

O most Mighty, O most Holy, far beyond the seraph's thought,
 Art thou then so mean and lowly as unheeded prophets taught?

O the magnitude of meekness, worth from worth immortal sprung!
 O the strength of infant weakness, if eternal is so young!

God all-bounteous, all-creative, whom no ills from good dissuade,
 Is incarnate—and a native of the very world he made.

—Christopher Smart (1722–1771)

Post-Communion Prayer

Presider Let us pray. *All stand.*

Loving God,

All **we give you thanks for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth a people forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Christmas Blessing

May almighty God, who sent their Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of their holiness. **Amen.**

May God, who sent their angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel. **Amen.**

May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you their peace and favor. **Amen.** And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Hymn 480, *When Jesus left his Father's throne*

KINGSFOLD



1 When Je - sus left his Fa - ther's throne, he chose an hum - ble birth;
2 Sweet were his words and kind his look, when moth - ers 'round him pressed;
3 When Je - sus in - to Zi - on rode, the chil - dren sang a - round;

like us, un - hon - ored and un - known, he came to dwell on earth.
their in - fants in his arms he took, and on his bos - om blessed.
for joy they plucked the palms and strowed their gar - ments on the ground.

Like him, may we be found be - low in wis - dom's path of peace;
Safe from the world's al - lur - ing harms, be - neath his watch - ful eye,
Ho - san - na our glad voic - es raise, ho - san - na to our King!

like him in grace and know - ledge grow as years and strength in - crease.
thus in the cir - cle of his arms may we for ev - er lie.
Should we for - get our Sa - vior's praise, the stones them - selves would sing.

Dismissal

Asst. Min. Go forth into the world, giving glory to the newborn King!

People **Thanks be to God!**

PARTICIPATING TODAY

11:15 SERVICE

<i>Presiding</i>	The Rev. Phil Brochard
<i>Preaching & Assisting</i>	The Rev. Michael Lemaire
<i>Lectors</i>	Sarita Cannon
<i>Intercessor</i>	Toni Martinez Borgfeldt
<i>Camera</i>	Jim Feeley
<i>Sound</i>	Emily Hansen Curran
<i>Digital Liaison</i>	Calvin Payne-Taylor
<i>Musicians</i>	Dr. Jamie Apgar, <i>cantor, organist, and pianist</i>
	Sarita Cannon, <i>soprano</i>
	Deidre Nurre, <i>alto</i>
	Ed Hofmann, <i>Angel Band leader</i>