

# A Festival of Lessons and Carols for Epiphany

January 7, 2018 Four o'clock in the afternoon

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"Adoration of the Christ Child by the Three Kings," by Jaime Huguet, 1464

Organ Voluntary

Prélude sur l'Introït de l'Épiphanie

Maurice Duruflé (1902–1986)

\*CHORAL INTROIT

The Glory of the Father

Egil Hovland (1924–2013)

The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us. We beheld the glory of the Father, full of grace and truth. In the beginning was the Word. The Word was with God. In Him was life; and the life was the light of men. He came to his own, and his own received him not.

—adap. John 1:1-14

\*Opening Sentence

The Prologue of St. John's Gospel, chapter 1, vv. 1–14

\*THE MATIN RESPONSORY

Surge illuminare

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525–1594)

Arise, shine O Jerusalem:

For thy light is come, and glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

We have seen his star in the East:

And are come with gifts to worship him.

The kings of Tarsis and of the isles shall give presents

The kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts.

All kings shall fall down before him:

All nations shall do him service.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

Arise, shine O Jerusalem:

For thy light is come, and glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

—adap. Isaiah 60

\*Processional Hymn 184 (found in the hymnals located in the pew racks)
Of the Father's Love Begotten

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

BIDDING PRAYER

Мотет

Phos Hilaron

arr. Robert Lehman (b. 1960)

O gracious Light, pure brightness of the ever-living Father in heaven, O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed.

Now as we come to the setting of the sun,

and our eyes behold the vesper light,

we sing thy praises of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Thou art worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,

O Son of God, O Giver of life,

and to be glorified through all the worlds.

#### I. THE WORD MADE FLESH

#### Collect

Minister: Almighty God, thou hast given us thine only begotten Son to take our nature upon him and to be born of a pure virgin. Grant that we, who have been born again and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. Amen.

First Lesson—Matthew 1:18–23 (NT page 1 in the Pew Bibles)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

\*Hymn 245 (found in the hymnals located in the pew racks)

The First Noel The First Noel

SECOND LESSON—Luke 2:8–20 (NT pages 54–5)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Carol

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, and the night is light about me. Amen.

#### II. THE KING OF THE NATIONS

#### Collect

Minister: Almighty Father, by the leading of a star you revealed thine only-begotten Son to the peoples of the earth. In thy mercy grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold thy glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THIRD LESSON—Matthew 2:1–12 (NT pages 1–2)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CAROL

Here is the Little Door

Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

Here is the little door, lift up the latch, oh lift! We need not wander more, but enter with our gift; Our gift of finest gold. Gold that was never bought or sold; Myrrh to be strewn about his bed; Incense in clouds about His head; All for the child that stirs not in His sleep, But holy slumber hold with ass and sheep.

Bend low about His bed, For each He has a gift; See how His eyes awake, Lift up your hands, O lift!

For gold, He gives a keen-edged sword. (Defend with it thy little Lord!)
For incense, smoke of battle red,
Myrrh for the honored happy dead;
Gifts for His children, terrible and sweet;
Touched by such tiny hands,
and Oh such tiny feet.

\*Hymn (please see the inside back cover of the bulletin)
Unto Us a Boy Is Born

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FOURTH LESSON—Matthew 2:13–18 (*NT page 2*) Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CAROL

Coventry Carol

16th Century Carol

Lully, lulla, thou little tiny Child, By by, lully, lullay.

O sisters too, how may we do For to preserve this day, This poor Youngling for whom we do sing By by, lully, lullay.

Herod the King, in his raging, Charged he hath this day; His men of might, in his own sight, All young children to slay.

Then woe is me, poor Child for Thee! And ever morn and day; For Thy parting nor say nor sing, By by, lully, lullay.

#### III. THE LIGHT TO THE WORLD

#### Collect

Minister: Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was presented in the Temple in substance of our flesh, and was acclaimed the glory of Israel and the light of the nations: Grant that in him we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, and in the world may reflect his glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

FIFTH LESSON—Luke 2:21–32 (NT page 55)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE

Nunc Dimittis

Gustav Holst (1874–1934)

Nunc dimittis servum tuum, Domine, Secundum verbum tuum in pace. Quia viderunt oculi mei salutare tuum. Quod parasti ante faciem omnium populorum. Lumen ad revelationem gentium, Et gloriam plebis tuae Israel. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat, nunc, et semper Et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Lord, now lettest though 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 shall be forever and ever. Amen.

-Luke 2:29-32

#### COLLECT AND BLESSING

Minister: The Lord be with you. **People: And with thy Spirit.** 

Minister: Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world. Grant that thy people, illumined by thy Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord who liveth and reigneth, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, grant you the fullness of inward peace and goodwill, and make you partakers of the divine nature; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon you, and remain with you forever. Amen.

\*Processional Hymn (please see the back cover of the bulletin)

Brightest and Best Are the Stars of the Morning

MORNING STAR

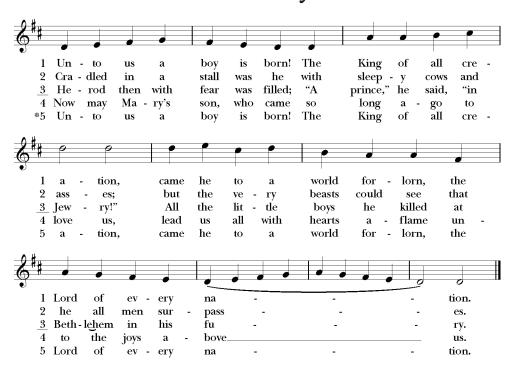
Organ Voluntary

Fugue on "How Brightly Shines the Morning Star," Op. 40, No. 1/ii

Max Reger (1873–1916)

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP	
Presiding Minister	The Rev. Bruce Puckett
Lectors	Ms. Keegan Cheleden Ms. Blaise Mercadante Mr. Tony Purvis
Choir	Duke Evensong Singers
Choir Director	Mr. Christopher Jacobson
Organists	Mr. Joseph Fala Mr. Jacob Montgomery

### Unto Us A Boy Is Born



 ${\it The\ accompaniment\ for\ stanza\ 1\ may\ be\ used\ for\ all\ stanzas.}$ 

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