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CHRISTMAS DAY

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Opening Hymn

ADESTE FIDELES

Hymn 12, *O come, all ye faithful*

Lighting of the Christ Candle &

Blessing of the Crèche

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Collect for Purity

BCP 67

Introit. *Puer natus est.* Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called, Angel of mighty counsel. *Psalm 98.* O sing unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvelous things. *V.* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. *R.* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Unto us a Child is born ...

Summary of the Law

BCP 69

Kyrie Hymnal 709

WILLAN

Gloria

BCP 84

Collect of the Day

BCP 96

Almighty God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin; Grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit ever, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 9:2-4, 6-7

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice

before you as with joy at the harvest, as men rejoice when they divide the spoil. For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Mid'ian. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government will be upon his shoulder, and his name will be called "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David, and over his kingdom, to establish it, and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and for evermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Psalm

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Antiphon Shout with joy before the King, the LORD.

1. O sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have gotten him victory.
2. The LORD has made known his victory, he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.
3. He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
4. Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!
5. Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody!

6. With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!
7. Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it!
8. Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together
9. Before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

Epistle

Hebrews 1:1–12

In many and various ways God spoke of old to our fathers by the prophets; but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the ages. He reflects the glory of God and bears the very stamp of his nature, upholding the universe by his word of power. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has obtained is more excellent than theirs. For to what angel did God ever say, “You are my Son, \ today I have begotten you”? Or again, “I will be to him a father, \ and he shall be to me a son”? And again, when he brings the first-born into the world, he says, “Let all God’s angels worship him.” \ Of the angels he says, “Who makes his angels winds, \ and his servants flames of fire.” But of the Son he says, “Your throne, O God, is for ever and ever, \ the righteous scepter is the scepter of your kingdom. \ You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; \ therefore God, your God, has anointed you \ with the oil of gladness beyond your comrades.” And, “You, Lord, founded the earth in the be-

ginning, and the heavens are the work of your hands; \ they will perish, but you remain; \ they will all grow old like a garment, \ like a cloak you will roll them up, \ and they will be changed. \ But you are the same, \ and your years will never end.

Gradual. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God: O be joyful in God, all ye lands. ❧ The Lord hath declared his salvation: in the sight of the heathen hath he openly showed his righteousness.

Alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. ❧ A hallowed day hath dawned upon the earth; come ye nations and worship the Lord: for on this day a great light hath descended upon the earth, alleluia.

The Holy Gospel (*KJV*) St. John 1:1–14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that

believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

Sermon Hymn GREENSLEEVES
Hymn 36, *What child is this, who, laid to rest*

Homily

The Nicene Creed BCP 71

Offertory The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine; thou hast laid the foundations of the round world, and all that therein is: righteousness and equity are the habitation of thy seat.

Presentation of the Gifts OLD HUNDREDTH
Hymn 139, *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow*

The Prayer for the Church BCP 74

General Confession & Absolution BCP 75

Sanctus & Benedictus *Hymnal* 797 WILLAN

The Canon of the Mass BCP 80

The Lord's Prayer BCP 82

Agnus Dei *Hymnal* 712 MISSAL

The Prayer of Humble Access BCP 82

Communion Hymn PICARDY
Hymn 197, *Let all mortal flesh keep silence*

Communion All the ends of the world: have seen the salvation of our God.

General Thanksgiving BCP 83

Post Communion Missal
Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God: that as the Saviour of the world, born on this day, is the author of our heavenly birth, so he may likewise be to us the giver of everlasting life. Who with thee ...
Amen.

Scottish Prayer Book Post Communion. O God,

who hast given us grace at this time to celebrate the birth of our Saviour Jesus Christ: we laud and magnify thy glorious Name for the countless blessings which he hath brought unto us; and we beseech thee to grant that we may ever set forth thy praise in joyful obedience to thy will; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Ancient collect. Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God: that the new birth in the flesh of thine only-begotten Son may deliver us; who are held fast in the old bondage under the yoke of sin. Through the same ...

The Benediction BCP 84

The Dismissal

Last Gospel St. Matthew 2:1-12

Closing Hymn MENDELSSOHN

ANNIVERSARIES

None

FLOWERS AND COFFEE HOUR

The poinsettias were provided by members of the Parish. The Coffee Hour will be virtual via Zoom following the Mass.

EVERY-MEMBER CANVAS

It is again time to consider what pledge each of us will make to support the Lord's work, in our Parish and its mission to the world. Pledge forms will be available on the website. Please return your 2021 pledge, by 3 January 2021, to the Treasurer's address in Camas, WA. This will help the Vestry plan the 2021 budget. The pledges will be blessed at the Mass on 10 January 2021.

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Christmas

Irregular, with Refrain

ADESTE FIDELES

J. F. WADE'S
Cantus Diversi, 1751

With dignity

1 O come, all ye faith - ful, Joy - ful and tri - umph - ant, O
 2 God of . . . God, . . . Light . . of . . . Light, . .
 3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, Sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
 *4 See how the shep - herds, Sum-moned to his cra - dle,

come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
 Lo! he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb:
 Sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of heav'n a - bove;
 Leav - ing their flocks, draw . . . nigh to gaze;

Come and be - hold him, Born the King of an - gels;
 Ve - ry God, Be - got - ten, not cre - a - ted;
 Glo - ry to God In . . . the . . . high - est;
 We too will thi - ther Bend our joy - ful foot - steps;

Refrain

O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,

Christmas



*5 Child, for us sinners
 Poor and in the manger,
 We would embrace thee, with love and awe;
 Who would not love thee,
 Loving us so dearly?

Refrain

6 Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
 Born this happy morning;
 Jesus, to thee be glory giv'n;
 Word of the Father,
 Now in flesh appearing;

Refrain

Latin, 18th cent.; Tr. FREDERICK OAKELEY and others



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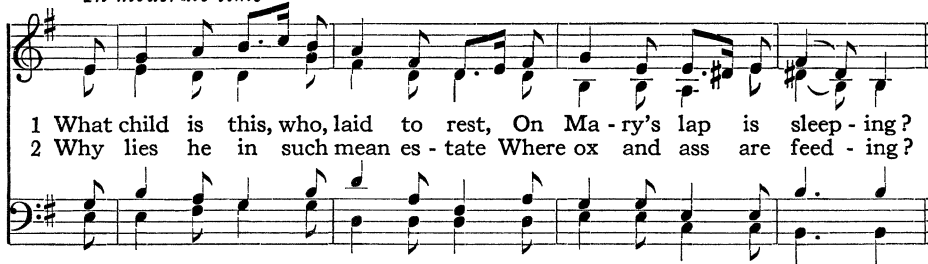
Christmas Carols

87. 87, with Refrain

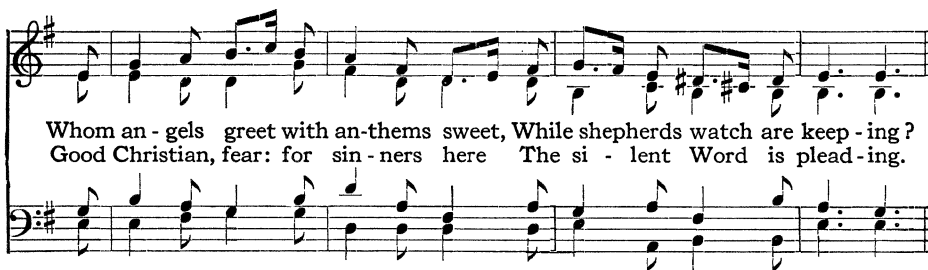
English, before 1642

GREENSLEEVES

In moderate time

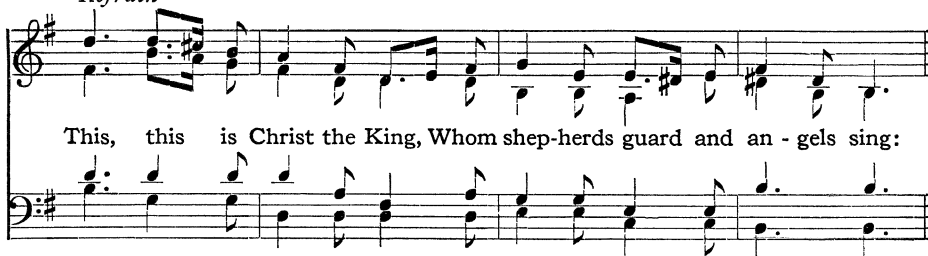


1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing?
2 Why lies he in such mean es - tate Where ox and ass are feed - ing?




Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, While shepherds watch are keep - ing?
Good Christian, fear: for sin - ners here The si - lent Word is plead - ing.

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.

3 So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh,
Come, peasant, king, to own him,
The King of kings salvation brings,
Let loving hearts enthrone him.

Refrain

WILLIAM CHATTERTON DIX, c. 1865

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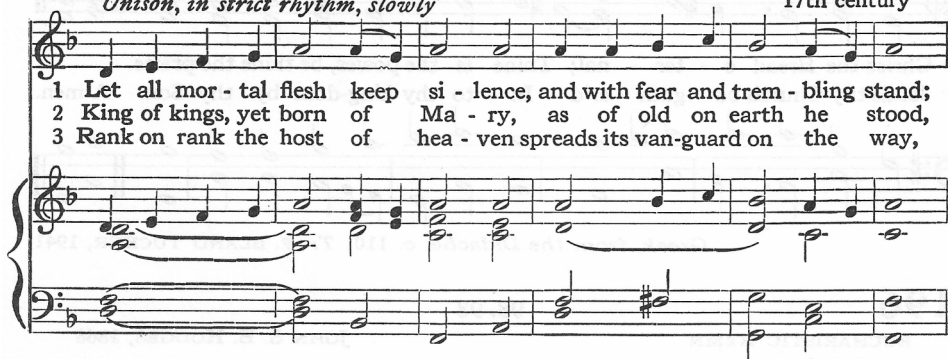
Holy Communion

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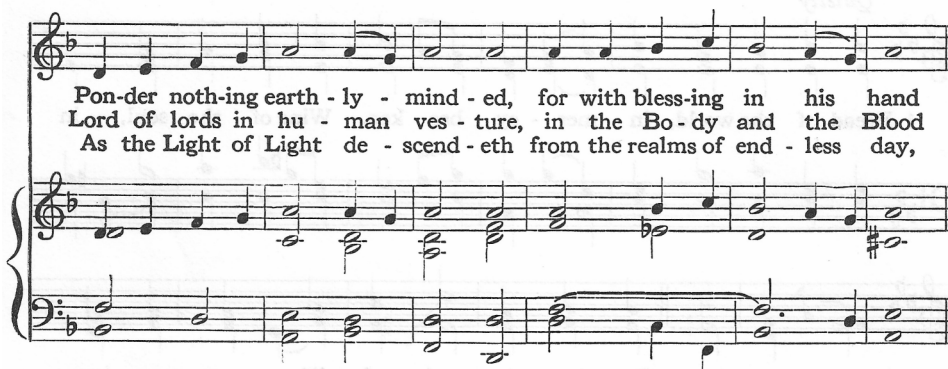
PICARDY

Unison, in strict rhythm, slowly

Traditional French Melody,
17th century



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and trem - bling stand;
2 King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on earth he stood,
3 Rank on rank the host of hea - ven spreads its van-guard on the way,



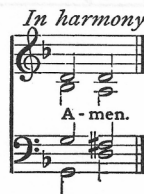
Pon-der noth-ing earth - ly - mind - ed, for with bless-ing in his hand
Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood
As the Light of Light de - scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,



Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth, our full hom-age to de - mand.
He will give to all the faith - ful his own self for heav'n-ly food.
That the powers of hell may van - ish as the dark-ness clears a - way.

4 At his feet the six-winged seraph;
cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the Presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
"Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Lord most high!"
Amen.

In harmony



A - men.

Liturgy of St. James; Para. GERARD MOULTRIE, 1864

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Christmas

77. 77. 77. 77, with Refrain

MENDELSSOHN

Adapted from a chorus by
FELIX MENDELSSOHN, 1840*Vigorously*

1 Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing Glo - ry to the new - born King!
 2 Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;

Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners re - con - ciled!
 Late in time be - hold him come, Off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see; Hail the in - car - nate De - i - ty,

With the an - gel - ic host pro - claim Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!
 Pleased as man with man to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!

3 Mild he lays his glory by,
 Born that man no more may die,
 Born to raise the sons of earth,
 Born to give them second birth.
 Ris'n with healing in his wings,
 Light and life to all he brings,
 Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
 Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!

Refrain on next page

Christmas

Refrain, harmony Unison Harmony

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing Glo - ry to the new-born King! A-men.

CHARLES WESLEY. 1739. *alt.*

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Leader Our help is in the name of the Lord.

All **Who made heaven and earth.**

Leader O God, by whose Word all things are sanctified, pour forth Your blessing upon this wreath and grant that we who use it may prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ and may receive from You abundant graces. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The reader continues

Reader Let us pray.

Leader Lord God, we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ: he is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples, he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us, he is the Savior of every nation. Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light the Christ candle of this wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring salvation. May he come quickly and not delay. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

BLESSING OF THE CRÈCHE

Reader Our help is in the name of the Lord. ✠

People **Who hath made heaven and earth.**

Choose one of the following readings

Reader A reading from the Gospel of Luke.

IN those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirin'ius was governor of Syria. And all went to be enrolled, each to his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be enrolled with Mary his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to be delivered. And she gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. — *Luke 2:1-7*

Reader Here endeth the Gospel.

People **Praise be to the, O Christ.**

Or

Reader A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

A GAIN the Lord spoke to Ahaz, “Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven.” But Ahaz said, “I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test.” And he said, “Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Imman’u-el. — *Isaiah 7:10-14*

Reader Here endeth the reading.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The reader continues

GOD of every nation and people, from the very beginning of creation you have made manifest your love: when our need for a Savior was great you sent your Son to be born of the Virgin Mary. To our lives he brings joy and peace, justice, mercy, and love.

LORD, bless all who look upon this manger; may it remind us of the humble birth of Jesus, and raise our thoughts to him, who is God-with-us and Savior of all, and who lives and reigns forever and ever.

People **Amen.**

