



CHRISTMAS DAY

FESTIVAL HOLY EUCHARIST

WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

Dear friends,

Welcome to Washington National Cathedral. Thank you for joining us for our Christmas celebrations. Whether you are here every Sunday or you are just visiting this one time, we are blessed to have you with us, and we hope you will find something of God's love, hope, and peace in this sacred space.

What draws you here this Christmas? Is it the music, the candlelight, the gorgeous flowers, the cherished hymns? Is it the beautiful liturgy, the familiar readings, the pull of family and friends, or the comfort of annual Christmas celebrations? The truth is many of us go to church during the Christmas season for a variety of reasons that may shift from year to year. Whatever your reason or reasons for being here, please know that the Christ whose birth we celebrate welcomes you with outstretched arms, just as you are, wherever you are in your life at this moment.

On Christmas, we celebrate that the infinite God has become finite in a newborn baby so that as one of us he might show us the way back to God. God with us, not God above us and beyond us, not God transcendent and mysterious, not God out of our reach and aloof from our experience—but God here, present in this life, in a human person. Jesus was born to bring God closer to us, and to bring all of us closer to our home in God.

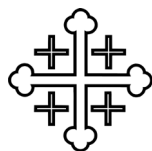
Christ has come for all of us, whether we believe in him or not. He has come in humility, as a helpless child, not to condemn the world but to transform humanity from what it is into what God intends it to be. In short, Christmas is all about a profound act of love.

A child once said: "I wish I had a picture of God." This is exactly what we are granted in the birth of Jesus. God has shown us God's face. And so, as you leave the Cathedral today, take the Christ child with you. Take his humility and make it your own. Learn to be more patient, more open, more understanding, and more forgiving of others in your life. Take his life of service and make it your life. Learn to take less from others; learn to give more of yourself without the thought of getting anything in return. And finally, take his love and let God's love for you become the source of your love for one another. This Christmastide, may we all find the Christ child again and bring him afresh into our Jesus-starved world. Because he is needed now more than ever.

Merry Christmas and God bless you,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Randolph Marshall Hollerith". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "R" and a long, sweeping tail.

The Very Reverend Randolph Marshall Hollerith
Dean, Washington National Cathedral



THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

FESTIVAL HOLY EUCHARIST

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The people's responses are in bold.

This type of note, offering directions about the service is called a "rubric," which comes from the Latin word rubrica (red)—referring to a time when these instructional notes were always written in red.

When the service is accompanied by music, it often begins with an instrumental piece of music, during which the congregation can prepare for worship.

CARILLON PRELUDE

Once in Royal David's City

Irby; arr. Milford Myhre (b. 1931)

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Adeste fideles; arr. Edward M. Nassor (b. 1957)

Go Tell It on the Mountain

Negro spiritual; arr. David Hunsberger (b. 1947)

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Regent Square; arr. M. Myhre

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750); arr. Frederick Marriott (1901–1989)

Joy to the World!

Antioch; arr. Frank P. Law (1918–1985)

PRELUDE

I Wonder as I Wander

Marianne Kim (b. 1972)

A Babe Is Born

Kirk Whalum (b. 1958)

Rhapsodie

Eugène Gigout (1844–1925)

Jesus, What a Wonderful Child

Traditional

THE ENTRANCE RITE

INTROIT

Hodie Christus natus est

Kola Owolabi (b. 1978)

Sung in Latin.

Today Christ is born:

Today on earth the angels sing, archangels rejoice:

Today the righteous rejoice, saying:

Glory to God in the highest.

Noel, Alleluia.

The people stand as able at the introduction to the hymn.

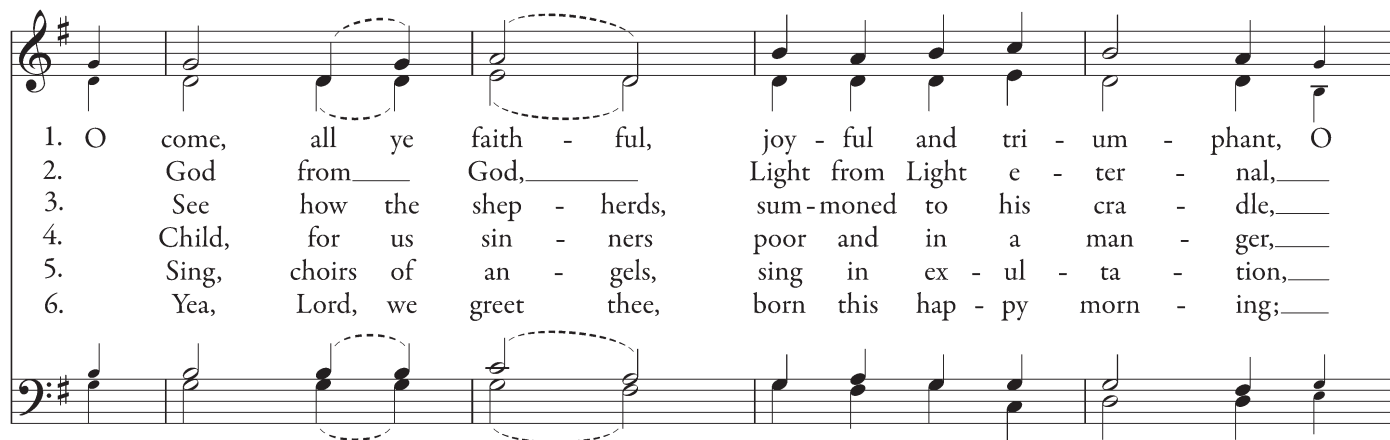
HYMN AT THE PROCESSION

O Come, All Ye Faithful

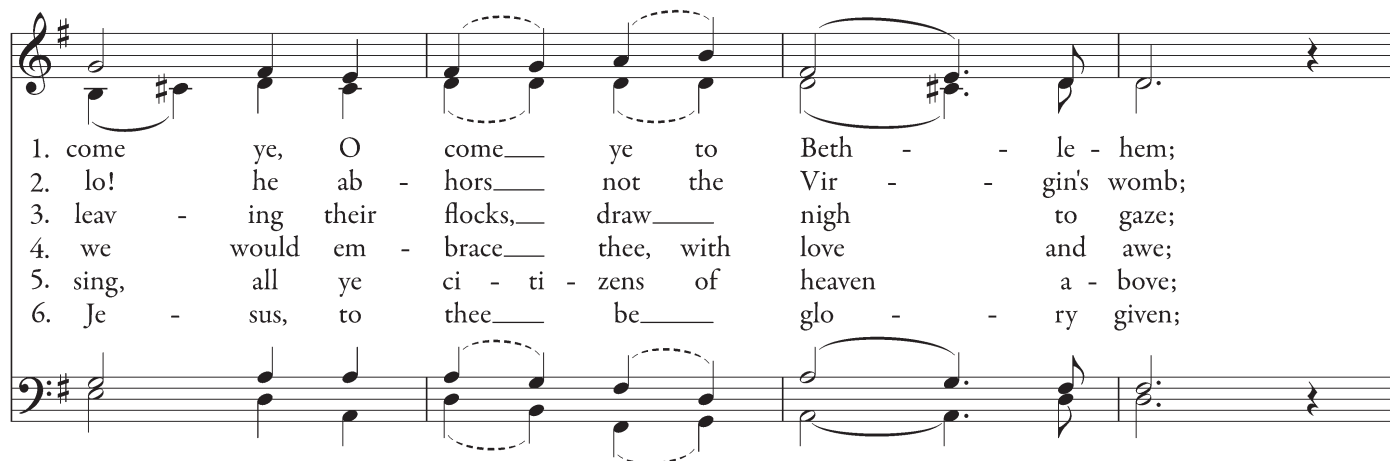
Sung by all.

Adeste fideles

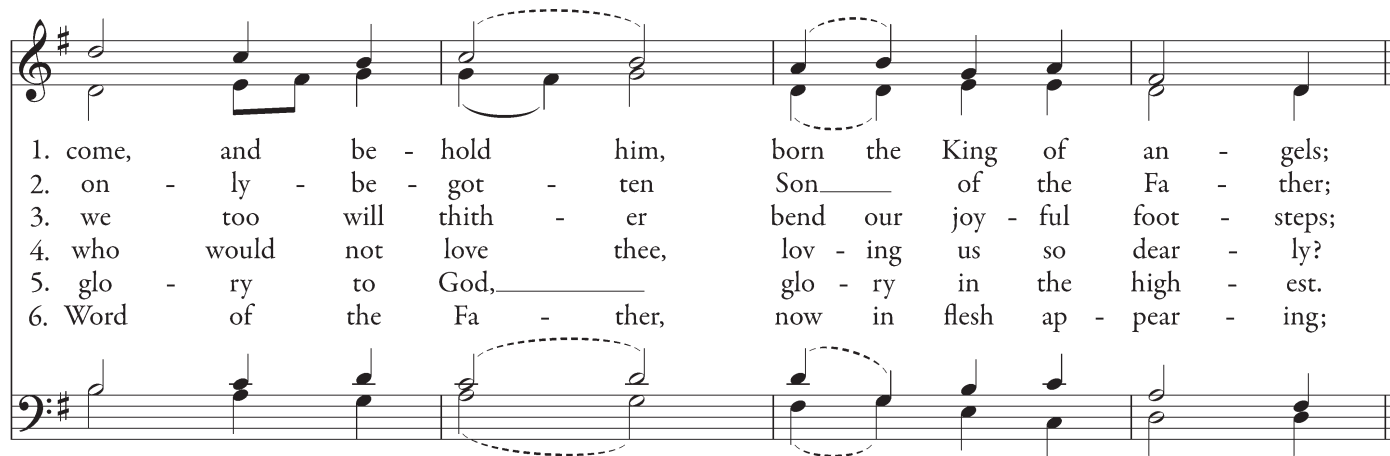
We begin our worship as a gathered community by praising God in song.



1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
 2. God from God, Light from Light e - ter - nal,
 3. See how the shep - herds, sum - moned to his cra - dle,
 4. Child, for us sin - ners poor and in a man - ger,
 5. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
 6. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing;



1. come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
 2. lo! he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb;
 3. leav - ing their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;
 4. we would em - brace thee, with love and awe;
 5. sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of heaven a - bove;
 6. Je - sus, to thee be glo - ry given;



1. come, and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
 2. on - ly - be - got - ten Son of the Fa - ther;
 3. we too will thith - er bend our joy - ful foot - steps;
 4. who would not love thee, lov - ing us so dear - ly?
 5. glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est.
 6. Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;

Refrain

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

O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us;

And we beheld his glory.

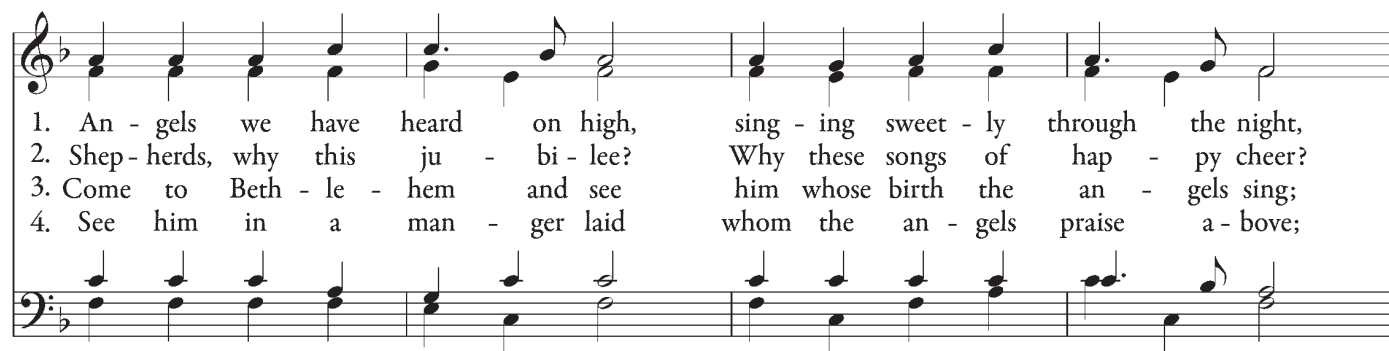
HYMN OF PRAISE

Angels We Have Heard on High

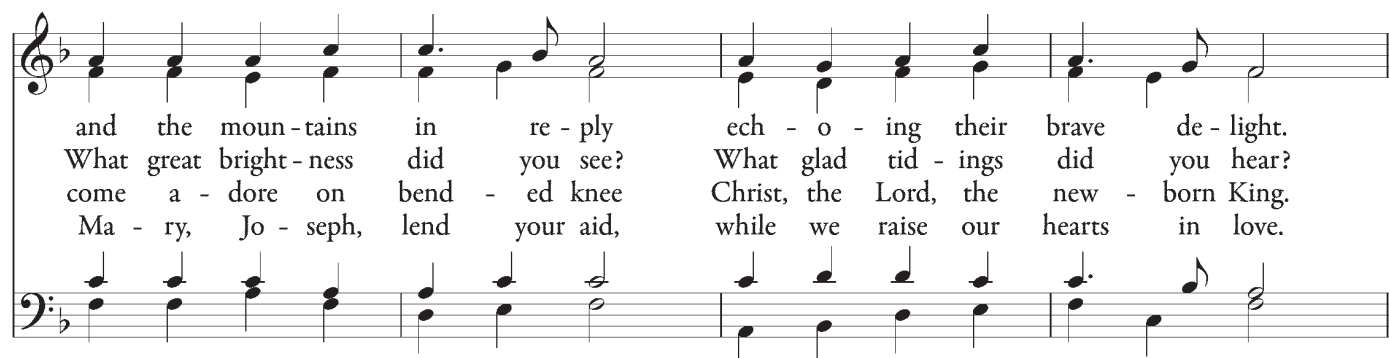
Sung by all.

Gloria

The Gloria, or some other song of praise, centers the service on the God we gather to praise in our worship.

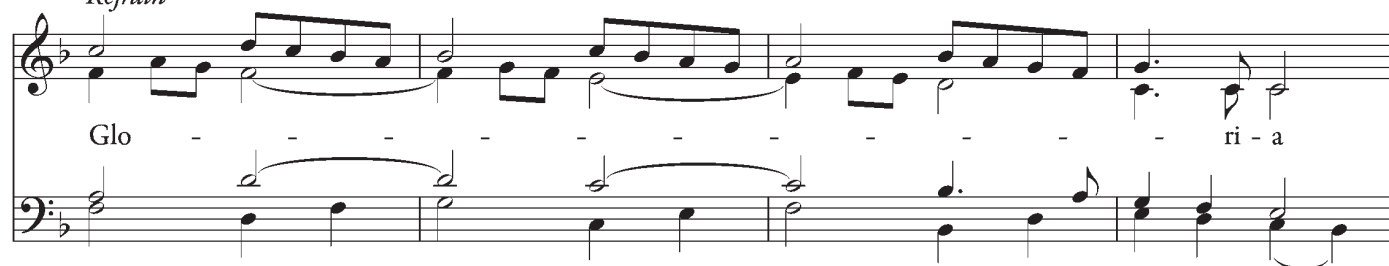


1. An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,
2. Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why these songs of hap - py cheer?
3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;
4. See him in a man - ger laid whom the an - gels praise a - bove;



and the moun - tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.
What great bright - ness did you see? What glad tid - ings did you hear?
come a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.
Ma - ry, Jo - seph, lend your aid, while we raise our hearts in love.

Refrain



Glo - - - - - ri - a



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



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THE COLLECT FOR THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD: CHRISTMAS DAY

The collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that “collects” or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

This reading is typically from the Old Testament (Hebrew Scriptures) which Jesus knew and from which he often referred or quoted.

Isaiah 62:6-12

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Upon your walls, O Jerusalem,
I have posted sentinels;
all day and all night
they shall never be silent.
You who remind the Lord,
take no rest,
and give him no rest
until he establishes Jerusalem
and makes it renowned throughout the earth.
The Lord has sworn by his right hand
and by his mighty arm:
I will not again give your grain
to be food for your enemies,
and foreigners shall not drink the wine
for which you have labored;
but those who garner it shall eat it
and praise the Lord,
and those who gather it shall drink it
in my holy courts.
Go through, go through the gates,
prepare the way for the people;
build up, build up the highway,
clear it of stones,
lift up an ensign over the peoples.
The Lord has proclaimed
to the end of the earth:
Say to daughter Zion,
“See, your salvation comes;
his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.”

Jerusalén, en tus murallas he puesto centinelas
que ni de día ni de noche dejan de decir:
«No se queden callados los que invocan al Señor,
no lo dejen descansar
hasta que haya reconstruido a Jerusalén
y haya hecho que todo el mundo la alabe.»
El Señor ha jurado
alzando su poderoso brazo derecho:
«Nunca más permitiré
que tus enemigos se coman tu trigo
ni que los extranjeros se beban el vino
que has hecho con tu trabajo;
sino que ustedes mismos recogerán la cosecha,
se la comerán y me alabarán a mí;
y recogerán las uvas y beberán el vino
en los atrios de mi santo templo.»
Salgan, salgan por las puertas,
preparen el camino para mi pueblo.
Construyan con cuidado la calzada
y límpiennla de piedras;
levanten la señal para llamar a las naciones.
El Señor anuncia esto
hasta el extremo de la tierra:
«Digan a la ciudad de Sión
que ha llegado ya su salvador.
El Señor trae a su pueblo
después de haberlo rescatado.»

They shall be called, "The Holy People,
The Redeemed of the Lord";
and you shall be called, "Sought Out,
A City Not Forsaken."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

A los israelitas los llamarán «El pueblo santo»,
«Los libertados por el Señor»,
y a Jerusalén, «La ciudad deseada»,
«La ciudad no abandonada».

Palabra del Señor.
Demos gracias a Dios.

ANTHEM

He Has Done Marvelous Things

Sung by the choir and the cantor.

Michael McCarthy (b. 1966)

Refrain Sing to the Lord a new song;
for he has done marvelous things.

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands;
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the Lord with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.

Refrain

With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it,
the lands and those who dwell therein.

Refrain

Let the rivers clap their hands,
and let the hills rings out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.

In righteousness shall he judge the world
and the peoples with equity.

Refrain

(Psalm 98:1, 5-10)

THE SECOND LESSON

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.

Titus 3:4-7

Tito 3:4-7

When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Pero Dios nuestro Salvador mostró su bondad y su amor por la humanidad, y, sin que nosotros hubiéramos hecho nada bueno, por pura misericordia nos salvó lavándonos y regenerándonos, y dándonos nueva vida por el Espíritu Santo. Pues por medio de Jesucristo nuestro Salvador nos dio en abundancia el Espíritu Santo, para que, después de hacernos justos por su bondad, tengamos la esperanza de recibir en herencia la vida eterna.

Palabra del Señor.
Demos gracias a Dios.

The people stand as able at the introduction to the hymn.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE

Go Tell It on the Mountain

Sung by all.

Negro spiritual, arranged

The sequence hymn moves us toward the summit of the Liturgy of the Word—the reading of the Holy Gospel. Gospel means “good news”—specifically the “good news of Jesus.”

Refrain

Go tell it on the moun - tain, o - ver the hills and ev - ery - where;
go tell it on the moun - tain, that Je - sus Christ is born!
1. While shep - herds kept their watch - ing o'er si - lent flocks by night,
2. The shep - herds feared and trem - bled when lo! a - bove the earth
3. Down in a low - ly man - ger the hum - ble Christ was born,
be - hold, through-out the hea - vens there shone a ho - ly light.
rang out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sa - vior's birth.
and God sent us sa - va - tion that bless - ed Christ - mas morn.

Repeat Refrain

THE HOLY GOSPEL

This reading is taken from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.

Luke 2:1-20

Lucas 2:1-20

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!" When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Santo Evangelio de nuestro Señor Jesucristo,
según Lucas.

¡Gloria a ti, Cristo Señor!

Por aquel tiempo, el emperador Augusto ordenó que se hiciera un censo de todo el mundo. Este primer censo fue hecho siendo Quirinio gobernador de Siria. Todos tenían que ir a inscribirse a su propio pueblo. Por esto, José salió del pueblo de Nazaret, de la región de Galilea, y se fue a Belén, en Judea, donde había nacido el rey David, porque José era descendiente de David. Fue allá a inscribirse, junto con María, su esposa, que se encontraba encinta. Y sucedió que mientras estaban en Belén, le llegó a María el tiempo de dar a luz. Y allí nació su hijo primogénito, y lo envolvió en pañales y lo acostó en el establo, porque no había alojamiento para ellos en el mesón. Cerca de Belén había unos pastores que pasaban la noche en el campo cuidando sus ovejas. De pronto se les apareció un ángel del Señor, y la gloria del Señor brilló alrededor de ellos; y tuvieron mucho miedo. Pero el ángel les dijo: «No tengan miedo, porque les traigo una buena noticia, que será motivo de gran alegría para todos: Hoy les ha nacido en el pueblo de David un salvador, que es el Mesías, el Señor. Como señal, encontrarán ustedes al niño envuelto en pañales y acostado en un establo.» En aquel momento aparecieron, junto al ángel, muchos otros ángeles del cielo, que alababan a Dios y decían: «¡Gloria a Dios en las alturas! ¡Paz en la tierra entre los hombres que gozan de su favor!» Cuando los ángeles se volvieron al cielo, los pastores comenzaron a decirse unos a otros: «Vamos, pues, a Belén, a ver esto que ha sucedido y que el Señor nos ha anunciado.» Fueron de prisa y encontraron a María y a José, y al niño acostado en el establo. Cuando lo vieron, se pusieron a contar lo que el ángel les había dicho acerca del niño, y todos los que lo oyeron se admiraban de lo que decían los pastores. María guardaba todo esto en su corazón, y lo tenía muy presente. Los pastores, por su parte, regresaron dando gloria y alabanza a Dios por todo lo que habían visto y oído, pues todo sucedió como se les había dicho.

El Evangelio del Señor.
Te alabamos, Cristo Señor.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Canon Jan Naylor Cope

The sermon directly follows the Gospel because it is to be grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.

The people stand as able.

THE NICENE CREED

The word “creed” comes from the Latin “credo” for “I believe.” First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD and confirmed in 381 AD, the Nicene Creed is said at the Holy Eucharist and reflects what Christians believe regarding the relationship between the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit: The Holy Trinity.

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 and the Son.
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.

Creemos en un solo Dios,
Padre todopoderoso,
Creador de cielo y tierra,
de todo lo visible e invisible.

Creemos en un solo Señor, Jesucristo,
Hijo único de Dios,
nacido del Padre antes de todos los siglos:
Dios de Dios, Luz de Luz,
Dios verdadero de Dios verdadero,
engendrado, no creado,
de la misma naturaleza que el Padre,
por quien todo fue hecho;
que por nosotros
y por nuestra salvación
bajó del cielo:
por obra del Espíritu Santo
se encarnó de María, la Virgen,
y se hizo hombre.
Por nuestra causa fue crucificado
en tiempos de Poncio Pilato:
padeció y fue sepultado.
Resucitó al tercer día, según las Escrituras,
subió al cielo
y está sentado a la derecha del Padre.
De nuevo vendrá con gloria
para juzgar a vivos y muertos,
y su reino no tendrá fin.

Creemos en el Espíritu Santo,
Señor y dador de vida,
que procede del Padre y del Hijo,
que con el Padre y el Hijo
recibe una misma adoración y gloria,
y que habló por los profetas.
Creemos en la Iglesia,
que es una, santa, católica y apostólica.
Reconocemos un solo Bautismo
para el perdón de los pecados.
Esperamos la resurrección de los muertos
y la vida del mundo futuro. Amén.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for ourselves and particularly on behalf of others. In our prayers we pray for the for Universal Church, the nation and all who govern, the welfare of the world, the concerns of our community of faith, including those who are in need or suffer, and for the departed. We are reminded in prayer that we are part of a larger fellowship, the Church—the Body of Christ.

After each intercession,

God of love and peace,
Hear us, we pray.

Dios de amor y paz,
Escúchanos, te suplicamos.

The presider prays the concluding collect, and the people respond, Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

La paz de Cristo sea siempre con ustedes.
Y con tu espíritu.

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and are seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, confessed our sins, received forgiveness and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the drama and miracle of the Holy Communion. At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.

An offering is received to support the Cathedral's ministry of sharing God's love. All are invited to make a gift as the plate is passed, at give2wnc.org/2022christmas, or by texting the dollar amount you wish to give to 202-856-9005.

The altar is prepared for Holy Communion.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

Born This Day

Sung by the cantor.

Yolanda Adams (b. 1961)

Christmas is the day,
The angels came to say,
They said be not afraid,
For born on this day,
Born to save is Christ the Lord.
Shepherds watched by night,
When that angel appeared from on high
And said, "be not afraid, for born on this day,
Born to save is Christ the Lord."
Wise men from afar,
Said they followed the eastern star,
Followed it to this place,
For born on this day,
Born to save is Christ the Lord.
Born this day,
Christmas day,
Born to save the world is Christ the Lord.

They said, "be not afraid,
For born on this day,
Born to save the world is Christ the Lord."
Christ, the Lord;
He's God the Father,
God the Son, and
Holy Spirit.
Born this day,
Christmas day,
Born to save the world is Christ the Lord.
They said, "be not afraid,"
For born on this day,
Born to save our lives,
His name is Jesus Christ,
He is Emmanuel
He is Christ
And he is born to save,
He's Christ the Lord.

The people stand as able at the introduction to the hymn.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION

Angels, from the Realms of Glory

Sung by all.

Regent Square

1. An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry wing your flight o'er all the earth;
2. Shep - herds in the field a - bid - ing, watch - ing o'er your flocks by night,
3. Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions; bright - er vi - sions beam a - far:
4. Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, watch - ing long in hope and fear,

ye, who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry, now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
God with you is now re - sid - ing; yon - der shines the in - fant Light:
seek the great De - sire of na - tions; ye have seen his na - tal star:
sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend - ing, in his tem - ple shall ap - pear:

Refrain
come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn. The second system contains the next four lines. The third system contains the refrain. The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Tenor and Bass parts providing harmonic support. The key signature has one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum corda, meaning "Lift up your hearts."

The Lord be with you.

And also 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 God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Sung by all.

Picardy

The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God and is based on Isaiah 6:3.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We recall God's acts of salvation history. The presider says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper. At the Memorial Acclamation we remember Christ's death, resurrection, and promise to return at the end of the age. During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with blessed Mary and Joseph, our patrons, the Apostles Peter and Paul, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

The Great Amen is when the congregation with a unified great voice concurs with all that the presider has prayed. It is the only "Amen" in all capitals found in the Book of Common Prayer, signifying the greatness of the congregation's response.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Notre Père..., Padre nuestro..., Vater unser...,

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,
santificado sea tu Nombre,
venga tu reino,
hágase tu voluntad,
en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.
Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también
nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden.
No nos dejes caer en tentación
y líbranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino,
tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria,
ahora y por siempre. Amén.

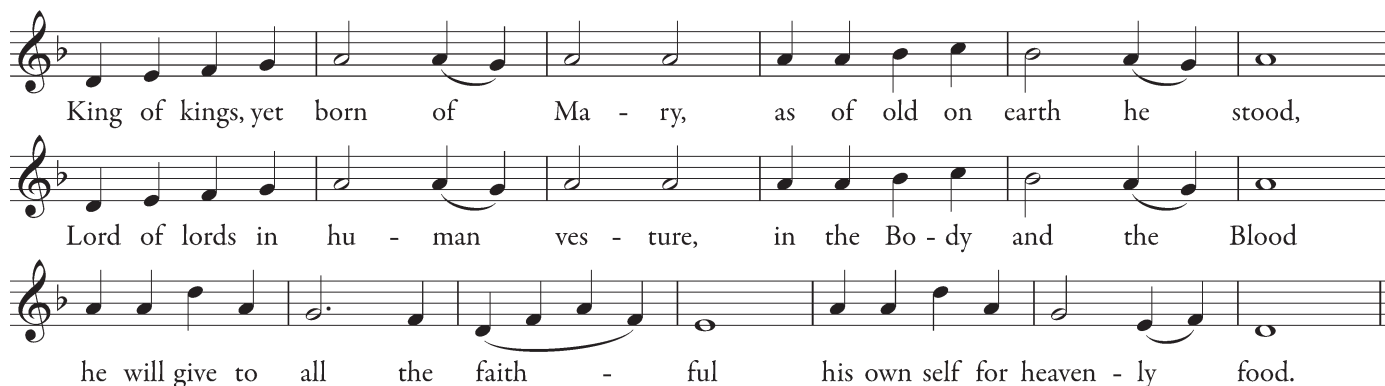
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The presider breaks the bread in silence.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Sung by all.

Picardy



King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood
he will give to all the faith - ful his own self for heaven - ly food.

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please move at the direction of the ushers. Please receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and respond to receiving Communion by saying "Amen." Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. Receiving the bread only is full participation in the Eucharist. Wine is also available. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the bread) into the common chalice. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead, please indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest. Those who wish to have Holy Communion brought to them at their seat should notify an usher.

Those unable to receive Communion today are invited to say the Prayer of Spiritual Communion.

ANTHEM DURING THE COMMUNION

Nesciens mater

Sung by the choir.

Jean Mouton (ca. 1459–1522)

Sung in Latin.

Without knowing a man, the Virgin Mother has given birth without pain, to the eternal Savior, himself the King of Angels.

The people stand as able at the introduction to the hymn.

HYMN AFTER THE COMMUNION

Joy to the World

Sung by all.

Antioch

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re -
2. Joy to the world! the Sa - vior reigns; let us our
3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in -
4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the

ceive her King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room, and
songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains, re -
fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow far
na - tions prove the glo - ries of his right - eous - ness, and

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

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

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

heaven and na - ture sing,
peat the sound - ing joy,
as the curse is found,
won - ders of his love,

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

God our Father, whose Word has come among us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem: May the light of faith illumine our hearts and shine in our words and deeds; through him who is Christ the Lord. Amen.

Dios nuestro Padre, cuya Palabra ha venido entre nosotros en el Santo Niño de Belén: Que la luz de fe ilumine nuestros corazones y brille en nuestras palabras y acciones; a través de aquel que es Cristo el Señor. Amén.

THE BLESSING

May Almighty God, who sent his 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 his holiness. Amen.

May God, who sent his 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 his peace and favor. Amen.

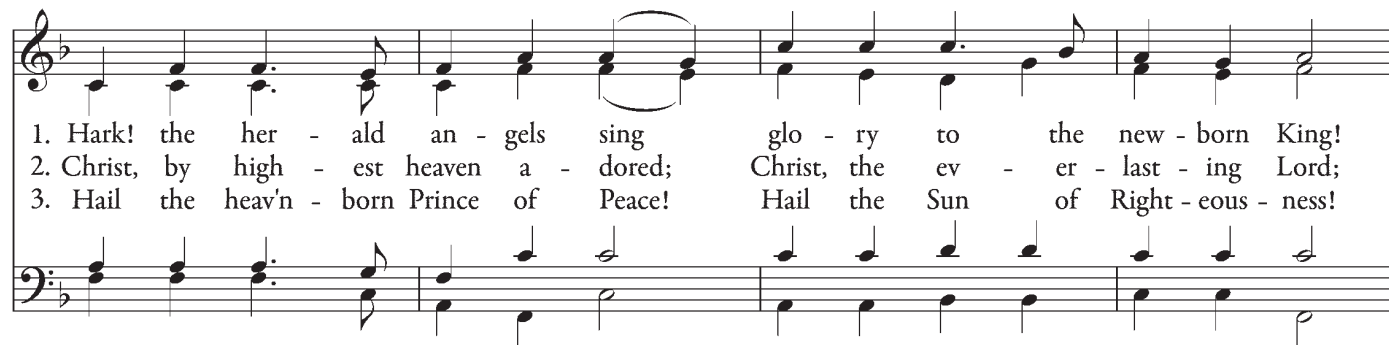
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

HYMN AT THE CLOSING

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

Sung by all.

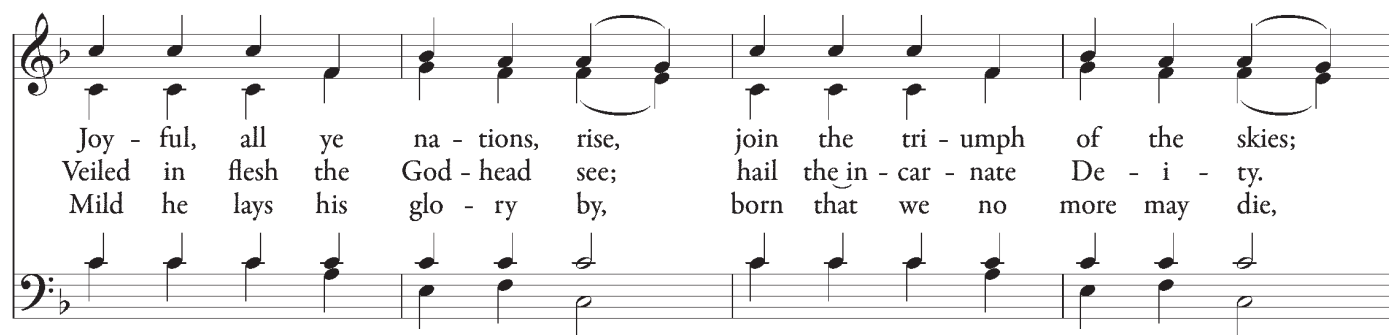
Mendelssohn



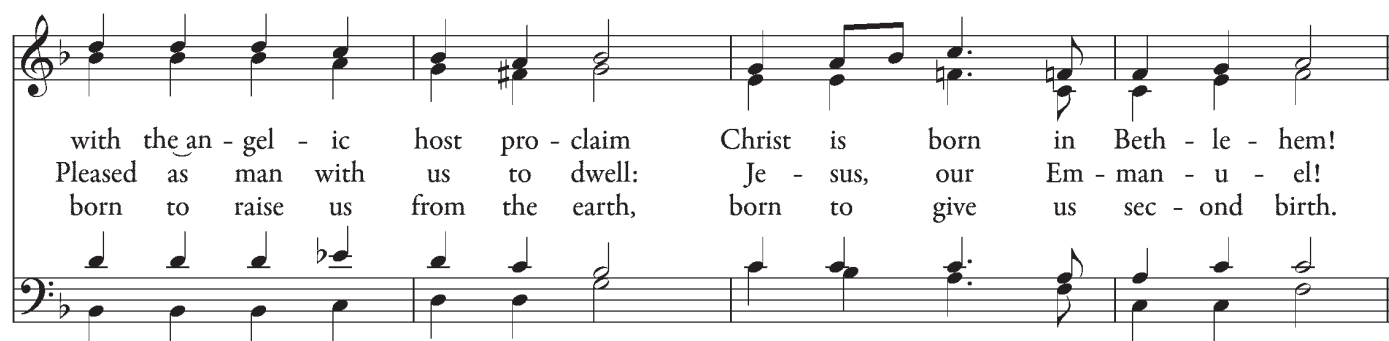
1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new - born King!
 2. Christ, by high - est heaven a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;
 3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Right - eous - ness!



Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!
 late in time and be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
 Light and life to all he brings, risen with heal - ing in his wings;

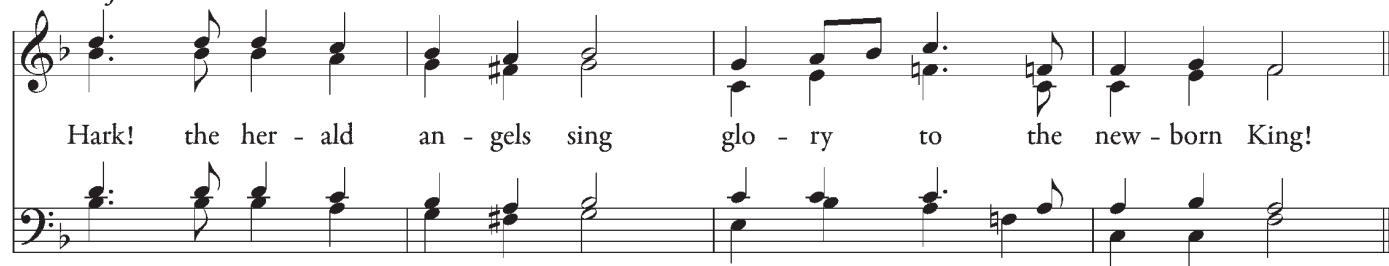


Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri - umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see; hail the in - car - nate De - i - ty.
 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,



with the an - gel - ic host pro - claim Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!
 Pleased as man with us to dwell: Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!
 born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.

Refrain



Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new - born King!

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Proclaim the Word made flesh.
Thanks be to God.

Vayan en paz. Proclamen la Palabra hecha carne.
Demos gracias a Dios.

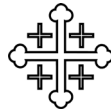
POSTLUDE

Organ Flourish on "Joy to the World"

Michael G. Dell (b. 1959)



The Washington Ringing Society will ring the Cathedral bells following the service.



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COVER: The Virgin Mary presents Christ to the world. Carved and polychromed linden wood reredos from the Chapel of Saint Mary the Virgin. Designed by E. Donald Robb; carved by Ernest Pelligrini, 1933.

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