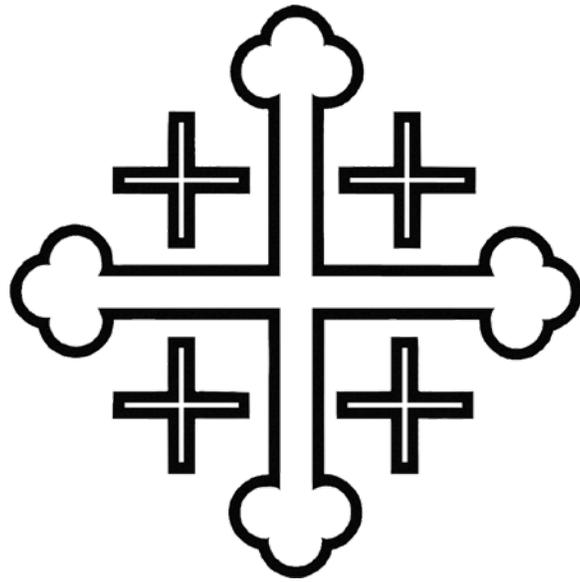


# The Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ



## Holy Eucharist

January 6, 2019

11:15 A.M.

WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

## EPIPHANY

The name “Epiphany” is derived from a Greek word meaning “manifestation” or “appearing.” Today’s service celebrates the revelation of God in human form in his Son Jesus Christ. This is commemoration of the visit of the Wise Men to the Christ Child, and thus the Savior’s physical manifestation to the Gentiles and wider world.



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*The people's responses are in bold.*

### THE ENTRANCE RITE

#### CARILLON PRELUDE

*Stuttgart* from *A Carillon Book for the Liturgical Year*

Roy Hamlin Johnson (b. 1929)

#### ORGAN PRELUDE

*Concerto nach Vivaldi in G major, BWV 592*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

*The people remain seated for the Introit.*

#### INTROIT

*Omnes de Saba*

Jacob Handl (1550-1591)

*Sung in Latin.* All they from Saba shall come, laden with gold and incense, heralds of the Lord's praise. Alleluia.  
Alleluia.

*(Isaiah 60:6b)*

*The people stand as able.*

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN • 109

*The first Nowell*

*The First Nowell*

#### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

#### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, 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.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Gloria in excelsis*

Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. 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. Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you  
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Father:  
re - ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a- lone are the  
Lord, 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 WORD OF GOD

### THE COLLECT FOR THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The people are seated.*

### THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses'



*The people stand as able.*

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE • 128

*We three kings of Orient are*

*Three Kings of Orient*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 2:1-12

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

**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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.*

THE SERMON

The Reverend Canon Jan Naylor Cope

*The people stand as able.*

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: 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.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*After each intercession,*

God of life and light  
Hear us, we pray.

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

## THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*The presider offers absolution and the people respond, Amen.*

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
And also with you.

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

## THE OFFERTORY

*An offering is received to support the Cathedral's ministry of sharing God's love with the world.*

*The altar is prepared for Holy Communion.*

## ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

*There shall a star*

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

There shall a star come out of Jacob, and a sceptre shall rise out of Israel, with might destroying princes and cities!  
There shall a star come out of Jacob. As bright the star of morning gleams, so Jesus sheddeth glorious beams of light and consolation. Thy Word, O Lord, radiance darting, truth imparting, gives salvation; thine be praise and adoration!

*(Numbers 24:17)*

*The people stand as able.*

## HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION • 124

*What star is this, with beams so bright*

*Puer nobis*

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**

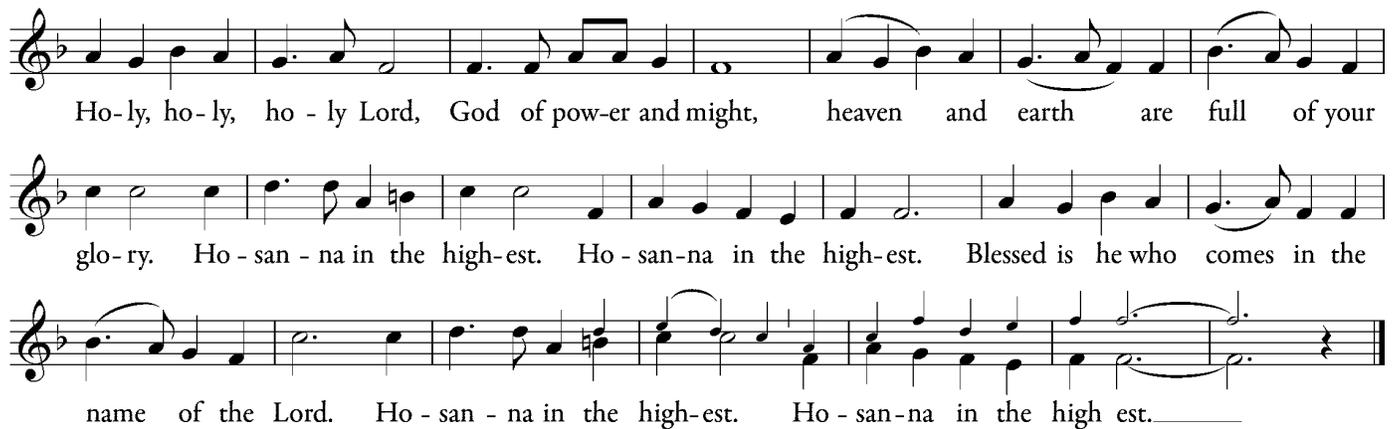
It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

## SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Richard Proulx (1937-2010)



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heaven and earth are full of your  
glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Ho - san-na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Ho - san-na in the high est.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

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

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Saint Peter and Saint Paul and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

*The presider breaks the bread in silence.*

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828)

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our  
sins: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the  
world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

## THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

*The people are seated.*

*All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and sip the wine from the chalice, guiding it gently to your lips; or you may dip the wafer into the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. Respond to receiving Communion by saying "Amen." 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.*

*During the administration of Holy Communion, the laying on of hands and prayers for healing are offered in St. John's Chapel. Please enter the chapel by the ramp or stairs to the right of the pulpit.*

## ANTHEM DURING THE COMMUNION

*Videntes stellam*

Francis Poulenc (1899-1963)

*Sung in Latin.* Seeing the star, the Wise Men rejoiced with great joy, and entering the house they offered the Lord gold, incense and myrrh. (*Anonymous*)

*The people stand as able.*

## THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

*The presider blesses the people, and people respond, Amen.*

## HYMN AT THE CLOSING • 119

*As with gladness men of old*

*Dix*

**THE DISMISSAL**

Go in the light and peace of Christ.  
Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE**

*In dir ist Freude*, BWV 615

J.S. Bach

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