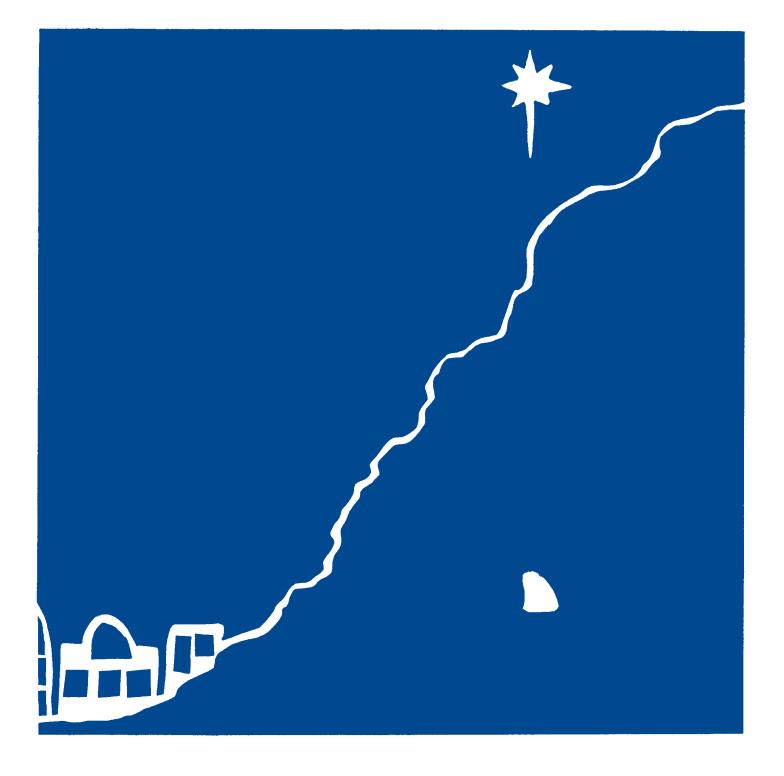
# THE EVE OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST



FESTIVAL HOLY EUCHARIST DECEMBER 24, 2010

WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

#### **CARILLON PRELUDE**

Once in royal David's city Let all mortal flesh keep silence Rosa mystica Good Christian friends, rejoice Reflections on "In the Bleak Midwinter" O come, all ye faithful Joy to the world! O little town of Bethlehem Paraphrase on "Gloria in excelsis" Impressions of "The First Nowell" Hark! the herald angels sing Silent night, holy night

#### ORGAN PRELUDE

Variations sûr un Noël, Op. 20 Les Mages, from La Nativité Fantasy on 'Divinum Mysterium'

**CHORAL PRELUDE** 

O Holy Night

Irby; arr. Milford Myhre (b. 1931) Picardy; arr. Ronald M. Barnes (1927–1997) Roy Hamlin Johnson (b. 1929) In dulci jubilo; arr. William De Turk (b. 1945) Edward M. Nassor (b. 1957) Adeste fideles; arr. Kamiel Lefevere (1888–1974) Antioch; arr. Wendell J. Westcott (1911–2010) St. Louis; arr. Lefevere Sjef van Balkom; (1922–2004) Ludo Geloen (b. 1962) Mendelssohn; arr. Albert C. Gerken (b. 1938) Stille Nacht; arr. Hans Uwe Hielscher (b. 1945)

> Marcel Dupré (1886–1971) Olivier Messiaen (1908–1992) Gerre Hancock (b. 1934)

Adolphe Adam (1803–1856) arr. John Rutter (b. 1945)

O Holy Night! The stars are brightly shining, it is the night of the dear Saviour's birth. Long lay the world in sin and error pining. Till he appeared and the Spirit felt its worth. A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices, for yonder breaks a new and glorious morn. Fall on your knees! Oh, hear the angel voices! O night divine, the night when Christ was born; O night, O holy night, O night divine! Led by the light of faith serenely beaming, with glowing hearts by his cradle we stand. O'er the world a star is sweetly gleaming, now come the wisemen from out of the orient land. The King of kings lay thus lowly manger; in all our trials born to be our friends. He knows our need, our weakness is no stranger, behold your King! Before him lowly bend! Truly he taught us to love one another, his law is love and his gospel is peace. Chains he shall break, for the slave is our brother, and in his name all oppression shall cease. Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we, with all our hearts we praise his holy name. Christ is the Lord! Then ever, ever praise we, his power and glory ever more proclaim!

Placide Cappeau (1808–1877) tr. John Sullivan Dwight (1813–1893)

Richard Rodney Bennett (b. 1936)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

INTROIT

Sussani

A little child is yborn, *Eia, susanni*. And he sprang out of Jesse's thorn, *Alleluya*. To save us all that were forlorn. Now Jesus is the childes name. *Eia, susanni*. And mary mild she is his dame, *Alleluya*. And so our sorrow's turned to game. It fell upon the high midnight. *Eia, susanni*. The stars they shone both fair and bright. *Alleluya*. The angels sang with all their might. Three Kings there came with their presents, *Eia, susanni*. Of gold and myrrh and frankincense, *Alleluya*. As clerkes sing in their sequence. Now sit we down upon our knee. *Eia, susanni*. And pray we to the Trinity, *Alleluya*. Our help and succour for to be.

English, fourteenth century

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# HYMN AT THE PROCESSION

Sung by all.

Adeste fideles



#### CHRISTMAS ACCLAMATION

- *Presider* The glory of the Lord has been revealed.
- People And all flesh shall see it together.
- *Presider* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
- *People* Glory to God for ever and ever.

# SONG OF PRAISE

Antioch



#### THE COLLECT OF THE NATIVITY

Presider People	The Lord be with you. And also with you.	
Presider	Let us pray. O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes again in glory; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.	
People	Amen.	

# THE WORD OF GOD

The people are seated.

# THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 9:2–7

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Silence follows the reading.

#### CAROL

Suo Gan

arr. K. Lee Scott (b. 1950)

Hush, my dear one, sleep serenely; now, my lovely, slumber deep. Mother rocks you, humming lowly; close your eyes, now go to sleep. Angels hover ever nearer, looking on your smiling face. I will hold you, close enfold you; close your eyes, go to sleep. Lovely darling, I will guard you, keep you from all woe and harm. Softly, gently I will rock you, resting sweetly on my arm. May you slumber e'er so softly; dream of visions wondrous fair. I will hold you, close enfold you; close your eyes, now go to sleep. May you slumber e'er so softly; dream of visions wondrous fair. I will hold you, close enfold you; close your eyes, now go to sleep.

Traditional Welsh carol

# HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE

## Sung by all.



#### THE GOSPEL

Dean Lloyd

**Bishop Chane** 

at 6 pm

at 10 pm

GospellerThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.PeopleGlory 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!"

GospellerThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

# SERMON

A brief period of silence is observed for reflection on the sermon.

#### THE NICENE CREED

Said by all, standing.

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

The choir first sings the response; then all join in singing it again.



The people sing the response after the intercessor offers each prayer.

Intercessor	Incarnate God, your angel host announces that peace is born among us, embodied in frail flesh. With confidence in the power of that miracle, we bring you our prayers for the church and the world.
People	That the child born to us may awaken us to heal this broken and hurting world, and that the peace proclaimed by angels in the shepherds' field will be realized in every place of war and on every violent street, we pray to you, O God. <b>Come now, O God of love. Reconcile your people and guide us, your children.</b>
Teople	Come now, O God of love. Reconcile your people and guide us, your emilaten.
Intercessor	That the joy and consolation of the Wonderful Counselor will bring wholeness and healing to all who are afflicted with illness and disease, and that in this time of gift-giving, our lives may be offerings of hope to those who are grieving, we pray to you, O God.
People	Come now, O God of love. Reconcile your people and guide us, your children.
Intercessor	That as you entered the world in the poverty of the stable, you would instill in us the courage to dismantle the barriers that separate rich from poor, so that we may build together the just world you intended, we pray to you, O God.
People	Come now, O God of love. Reconcile your people and guide us, your children.
Intercessor	That the blessed hope we celebrate this night may be the fulfillment of all who have gone before us, knitting your people into shared life for all eternity, we pray to you, O God.
People	Come now, O God of love. Reconcile your people and guide us, your children.
Intercessor	Light of life, you came in flesh, born into human pain and joy, and gave us power to be your children. Grant us faith, O Christ, to see your presence among us. Fill us with your light, that as we walk in the way of peace, we may join our voices with heaven and earth in singing songs of gladness, we pray to you, O God.
People	Come now, O God of love. Reconcile your people and guide us, your children.

# THE PEACE

PresiderThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

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

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

# **INVITING THE OFFERING**

The people remain seated while an offering is collected to support the Cathedral's work of sharing God's love with the world.

# ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

Star carol

John Rutter (b. 1945)

Sing this night, for a boy is born in Bethlehem, Christ our Lord in a lowly manger lies; bring your gifts, come and worship at his cradle, hurry to Bethlehem and see the son of Mary! See his star shining bright in the sky this Christmas night! Follow me joyfully; hurry to Bethlehem and see the son of Mary! Angels bright, come from heaven's highest glory, bear the news with its message of good cheer: "Sing, rejoice, for a King is come to save us, hurry to Bethlehem and see the son of Mary! Follow me joyfully: hurry to Bethlehem and see the son of Mary! See his star shining bright in the sky this Christmas night! Follow me joyfully: hurry to Bethlehem and see the son of Mary! See, he lies in his mother's tender keeping; Jesus Christ in her loving arms asleep. Shepherds poor, come to worship and adore him, offer their humble gifts before the son of Mary. See his star shining bright in the sky this Christmas night! Follow me joyfully: hurry to Bethlehem and see the son of Mary. See his star shining bright use the son of Mary. See his star shining bright use the son of Mary. See his star shining bright their humble gifts before the son of Mary. See his star shining bright in the sky this Christmas night! Follow me joyfully; hurry to Bethlehem and see the son of Mary! Let us all

pay our homage at the manger, sing his praise on this joyful Christmas Night; Christ is come, bringing promise of salvation; hurry to Bethlehem and see the son of Mary! See his star shining bright in the sky this Christmas night! Follow me joyfully; hurry to Bethlehem and see the son of Mary!

Gloria

The people stand to sing and remain standing.

# HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION

Angels we have heard on high

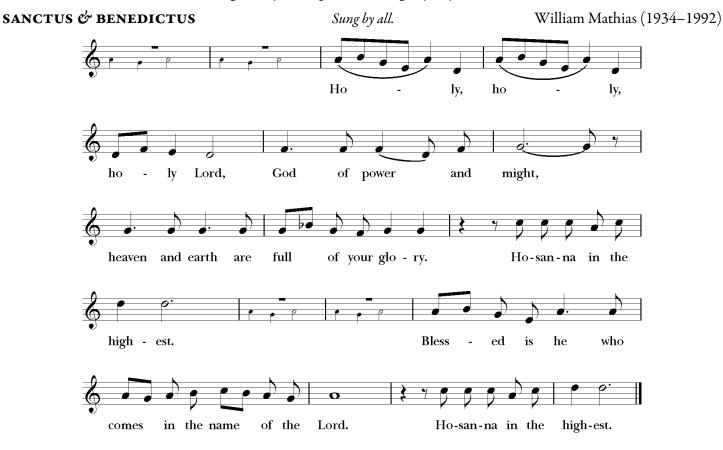


#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Presider	Lift up your hearts.
People	<b>We lift them to the Lord.</b>
Presider	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Presider* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, O God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because, in the incarnation of the Word made flesh in Christ Jesus, a new light has dawned upon the world; you have become one of us that we might become one with you in your glorious reign.

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:



# The people stand as the presider continues.

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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

*Presider* Therefore, according to his command, O God,

# All 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 Mary and Joseph 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.

- *Presider* By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, O God, now and for ever.
- All AMEN.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

All 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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD $\mathcal{C}$ THE FRACTION ANTHEM



# Sung by the choir.

The Word made flesh brings grace and peace. Therefore with joy we keep the feast. Alleluia. *All sing the Alleluia.* 



#### **THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION** The people are seated.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Eucharist.

To receive communion, come to a communion station at the direction of the ushers. Receive the bread in the palm of your hand. Eat the bread and then drink from the cup when it is offered to you, or, if you wish, you may hold the bread and dip it into the wine when the cup is offered to you.

Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister.

If you wish to receive a blessing rather than receive communion, please join in the movement to the communion station and cross your arms over your chest; this will alert the priest of your desire to receive a blessing.

# ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION

*Here is the little door* 

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 nor 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 holds 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.

Sung by all.

# HYMN AT THE COMMUNION

The first Nowell the angel did say



Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

The First Nowell



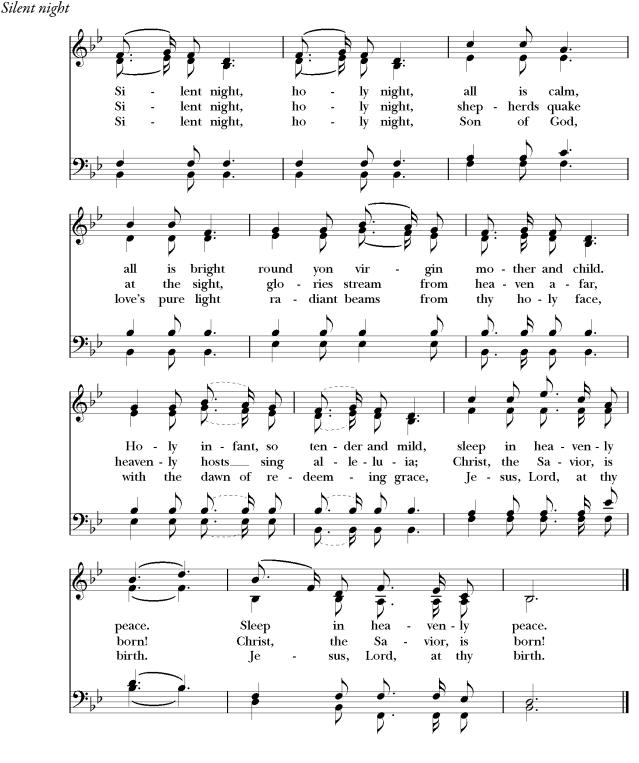
6 Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heavenly Lord; that hath made heaven and earth of nought, and with his blood our life hath bought.

Refrain

#### HYMN AFTER THE COMMUNION

Sung by all.

Stille Nacht



**POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER** 

Said by all.

We give you thanks, O God, for you have visited your people. In the human frailty of your Son Jesus Christ you have revealed the face of divinity. Gather into your arms all the people of the world, so that in your embrace we might share your peace and goodwill which is the inheritance of your children everywhere. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING

May Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered all things earthly and heavenly into one, bestow upon you Bishop the fullness of joy and peace; and the blessing of God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Sung by all, standing.

People Amen.

# HYMN AT THE CLOSING

Hark! the herald angels sing

Mendelssohn Hark! the her-ald 1 an - gels sing glo - ry the new-born King! to Christ, the 2 Christ, by high-est heaven a - dored; ev er last - ing Lord; 3 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die, 0 4 Peace on earth and God and sin - ners mer - cy mild, rec - on - ciled! late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir-gin's womb. born to raise us from the earth, born to give sec - ond birth. us  $\overline{a}$ Joy - ful, all join the tri-umph na - tions, rise, of the skies; ye Veiled in flesh the God - head hail the in-car - nate De - i - ty. see; Risen with heal-ing light and life all he brings,  $\mathbf{in}$ his wings, to with the an-gel - ic Christ is host pro-claim born in Beth - le - hem! Pleased as to dwell; Je - sus, Em - man - u - el! man with us our hail, the hail, the Sun of **Right-eous-ness!** heaven-born Prince of Peace! þ. . Refrain Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing the glo new-born King! - ry to

#### THE DISMISSAL

GospellerLet us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

# ORGAN VOLUNTARY

In dulci jubilo, BWV 729 Final, from Première Symphonie, Op. 14 Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750) Louis Vierne (1870–1937)

A gift in support of services in celebration of Christ's birth is made to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the William Carter Dulin and Maurine Stuart Dulin Families.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS and welcome to Washington National Cathedral!

We gather in this holy season to tell again the most remarkable story we know. It is a story of a mysterious Giver who called this cosmos into being out of love and who, at one point in history, became flesh as an infant born in a humble village.

It's an immense claim—that God took on human form to seek us out and lead us home, that the Mystery behind the universe for a few short years taught, forgave, healed, even died for us, to draw us into the lives for which we were made. The Christmas faith proclaims that in Jesus of Nazareth we have actually seen straight through to the heart of God.

We are delighted to have you join us in this Christmas celebration. If you are a visitor we hope you will come back often and join us in exploring what this Christian faith can mean for our own lives and our world. Our website can point you to a host of programs and events.

The hope of the Christmas season is that the Christ-child born 2,000 years ago will be born again this season in you and me, and that Christ's healing love will spread across our world.

We hope to see you often in the future. May you know God's presence and love through this season and the new year.

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Samuel T. Lloyd III Dean of the Cathedral

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