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INTRODUCTORY RITES

PRELUDE MUSIC & CAROLS

ORGAN VOLUNTARY **Lo, How a Rose ...** *Johannas Brahms*

POLISH CAROL

ORGAN VOLUNTARY **Introduction et Variations**
Sur un ancien Noël Polonais ... *Alexander Guilmant*

HYMN **Infant Holy—W ZLOBIE LEZY**
(Please join in singing...)

- 1. Infant holy, infant lowly, For his bed a cattle stall; Oxen lowing,
little knowing Christ the babe is Lord of all. Swift are winging, angels singing,
Noels ringing, tidings bringing: Christ the babe is Lord of all.
- 2. Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping Vigil till the morning new.
Saw the glory, heard the story, Tidings of a gospel true.
Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, Praises voicing greet the morrow:
Christ the babe was born for you.
- 3. As we journey to the stable Like the wise men long ago,
We are hoping to discover What these pilgrims came to know.
All are welcome at this manger, King and shepherd, friend and stranger.
Christ the babe is Lord of all.
- 4. Wake our spirits from their slumber; Send the darkness on its way.
Fill our hearts with joy and wonder On this blessed Christmas day.
Songs of angels all around us; Grace and blessing now surround us.
Christ be with us as we go.

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CONCLUDING RITES

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

HYMN **Hark! The Herald Angels Sing**



1. Hark the her - ald an - gels sing: "Glo - ry to the
2. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Son of

new - born King; Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild,
Righ - teous - ness! Light and life to all he brings,

God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!" Joy - ful, all ye
Ris'n with heal - ing in his wings. Mild he lays his

na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies;
glo - ry by, Born that we no more may die,

With an - gel - ic host pro-claim: Christ is born in Beth - le hem!"
Born to raise us from the earth, Born to give us sec - ond birth.

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

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.
Music: MENDELSSOHN 77 77 D with Refrain. Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, 1809-1847, Arr. by William H. Cummings, 1831-1915

HYMN **Silent Night**

1. Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin Mother and child! Holy Infant so tender and mild, Sleep in
heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.
2. Silent night! Holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar; Heav'nly hosts sing, "Alleluia!
Christ the Savior, is born, Christ the Savior, is born."
3. Silent night! Holy night! Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face, With the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus,
Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.



ORGAN VOLUNTARY **Fantasia on "Greensleeves" ... Ralph Vaughn-Williams**

HYMN **What Child is This**
(Please join in singing...)

1. What child is this, who, laid to rest,
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
While shepherds watch are keeping?

Refrain:
This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring him laud,
The babe, the son of Mary.

2. Why lies he in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading. [Refrain]
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]

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PROCLAMATION OF THE FEAST

HYMN **O Come, All Ye Faithful**

1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
2. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion
3. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing,

come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem.
Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove!
Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n,

Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels,
Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;
Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;

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

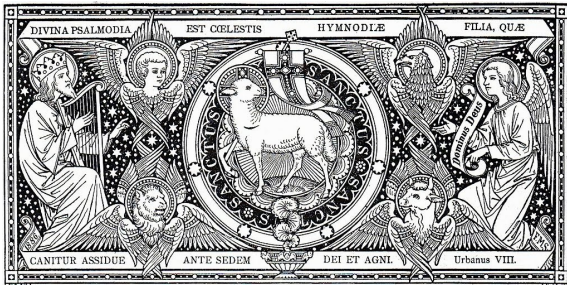
Text: *Adeste Fideles*; John F. Wade, c. 1711-1786, tr. Frederic Oakeley, 1802-1880, alt.
Music: *ADESTE FIDELES*, irregular with refrain; John F. Wade, c. 1711-1786



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Congregation: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.



COMMUNION PROCESSION

ANTIPHON **The Word of God Became Flesh**

The Word of God be - came flesh.

The Word of God made his

dwel - ling a - mong us. We have

seen his glo - ry, his glo - ry.

Text: John 1:14, alt. Psalm 98: 1-9ab
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MYSTERY OF FAITH

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

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AMEN

A - men, a - men. a - - - men.

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RITE OF COMMUNION

LORD’S PRAYER & SIGN OF PEACE

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
world, have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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PENITENTIAL ACT
LORD, HAVE MERCY

Cantor: Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.
All: Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

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GLORIA

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good
will. We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we
glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry,
Lord God, heav'n-ly King, O God, al - might - y Fa - ther.

Con't ...

Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son, Lord God,
 Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a - way the
 sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you
 take a - way the sins of the world, re - ceive our
 prayer; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the
 Fa - ther, have mer - cy on us.
 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 Spir-it,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther, A - - - men.

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OPENING COLLECT

ORATE, FRATRES

Celebrant: Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

Congregation: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PREFACE DIALOGUE

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

Congregation: And with your spirit

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts

Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

Congregation: It is right and just.

PREFACE ACCLAMATION

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
 Heav'n 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.

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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

HYMN **Angels We Have Heard on High**

1. An - gels we have heard on high Sweet - ly sing - ing
2. Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous
3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the
4. See him in a man - ger laid Whom the an - gels
o'er the plains, And the moun - tains in re - ply
strains pro - long? Say what may the tid - ings be
an - gels sing; Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee
praise a - bove, Ma - ry, Jo - seph, lend your aid,
Ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.
Which in - spire your heav'n - ly song.
Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.
While our hearts in love we raise.
Glo - ri - a
in ex - cel - sis De - o! Glo - ri - a
in ex - cel - sis De - o!

Text: *Les anges dans nos compagnes*; French carol, c. 18th C.; tr. from *Crown of Jesus Music*, London, 1862
Tune: GLORIA, 7 7 7 7 with refrain; French carol.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING I

Is 9, 1-3. 5-6

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone. You have brought them abundant joy and great rejoicing, as they rejoice before you as at the harvest, as people make merry when dividing spoils. For the yoke that burdened them, the pole on their shoulder, and the rod of their taskmaster you have smashed, as on the day of Midian. For every boot that tramped in battle, every cloak rolled in blood, will be burned as fuel for flames. For a child is born to us, a son is given us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace. His dominion is vast and forever peaceful, from David's throne, and over his kingdom, which he confirms and sustains by judgment and justice, both now and forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this!

PSALM 96 **Today is Born Our Savior**

To-day is born our Sav-ior, Christ the Lord. To-day is born our Sav-ior, Christ the Lord.

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1. O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth.
O sing to the Lord; bless his name.
2. Proclaim his salvation day by day. Tell among the nations his glory,
and his wonders among all the peoples.
3. Let the heavens rejoice and earth be glad; let the sea and all within it thunder
praise. Let the land and all it bears rejoice. Then will all the tress of the wood
shout for joy.
4. They will shout at the presence of the Lord, for he come, he comes to judge the
earth. He will judge the world with justice, and the peoples with faithfulness.

READING II

Titus 2:11-14

Beloved: The grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age, as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good.

ACCLAMATION **Alleluia !**



Based on *In Dulci Jubilo*

I proclaim to you good news of great joy:
today a Savior is born for us, Christ the Lord.

GOSPEL

Luke 2, 1-14

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town. And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there, the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying:
“Glory to God in the highest
and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

HOMILY

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I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
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

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER