

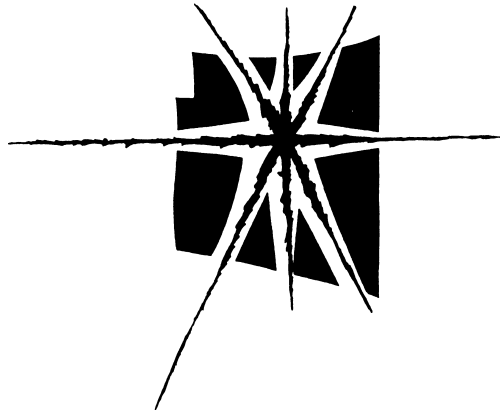


Christ Church Cathedral

Vancouver, BC | Anglican Church of Canada



| *The Epiphany of our Lord (transferred)*
| January 7, 2011



7:00pm Choral Eucharist

THE BOOK of ALTERNATIVE SERVICES

Gathering of the Community

Presider
All

Arise, shine; for your light has come
And the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

Hymn

As with Gladness (*Blue 160*)

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| 1. As with gladness men of old
did the guiding star behold;
as with joy they hailed its light,
leading onward, beaming bright;
so, most gracious Lord, may we
evermore be led to thee. | Choir 3. As they offered gifts most rare
at that cradle rude and bare,
so may we with joyful song,
raising voices pure and strong,
all our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to thee our heavenly king. |
| 2. As with joyful steps they sped,
Saviour, to thy lowly bed,
there to bend the knee before
thee, whom heaven and earth adore;
so may we with willing feet
ever seek thy mercy seat. | All 4. In the heavenly country bright
need they no created light:
thou its light, its joy, its crown,
thou its sun which goes not down;
there forever may we sing
alleluias to our king. |

Text: William Chatterton Dix. Music: *Dix*, Konrad Kocher.

Collect
Presider
All

Eternal God,
who by a star
led wise men to the worship of your Son.
Guide by your light the nations of the earth,
that the whole world may know your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Proclamation of the Word

After each reading the reader will say:

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All Thanks be to God.

Reading Isaiah 60:1–6

Anthem In Dulci Jubilo

Michael Praetorius

Before the Gospel Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Matthew 2:1–12

After the Gospel Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily The Rev. Dixie Black

Silence for reflection

Nicene Creed

Presider

All

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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.

Prayers of the People

Presider

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; welcoming sinners and inviting them to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept

Presider

Most merciful God,

All

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 neighbours 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.

Presider

Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace

You are invited to greet those around you in the name of Christ.

Celebration of the Eucharist

Hymn

The First Nowell (*Blue 139*)

1. The first nowell the angel did say
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay.
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep
On a cold winter's night that was so deep. *Refrain*

Refrain:

Nowell..., born is the King of Israel.

2. They looked up and saw a star,
shining in the east, beyond them far;
and to the earth it gave great light,
and so it continued both day and night. *Refrain*

Low voices

3. And by the light of that same star
three wise men came from country far;
to seek for a king was their intent,
and to follow the star wherever it went. *Refrain*

over...

All

4. This star drew nigh to the northwest;
o'er Bethlehem it took its rest,
and there it did both stop and stay,
right over the place where Jesus lay. *Refrain*

Refrain:

Nowell..., born is the King of Israel.

High voices

5. Then entered in those wise men three
full reverently upon their knee,
and offered there in his presence,
their gold, and myrrh, and frankincense. *Refrain*

All

6. Then let us all with one accord
sing praises to our heavenly Lord,
who hath made heaven and earth of nought,
and with his blood salvation bought. *Refrain*

Text: English Trad. Music: *The First Nowell*, Melody English Trad. arr. John Stainer.
Reharm. David Willcocks

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider

All

Gracious God,
accept the offering of your Church,
the hearts of your people
joined in praise and thanksgiving,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider

All

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Presider

All

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Presider

All

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;
you have revealed your eternal plan of salvation,
and have shown your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of all peoples.
Therefore with angels and archangels we raise our voices
in joyful praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus

Choir

Charpentier

Presider

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling 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 Saviour 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 he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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."

All

Therefore, Father, according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Presider

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, 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, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all 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; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Cantor
As our Sa-viour Christ has taught us, we now pray,
All
Our Fa-ther in hea-ven, hal-lowed be your Name,
your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea-ven.
Give us to-day our dai-ly bread.
For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us.
Save us from the time of tri-al, and de-liv-er us from e-vil.
For the king-dom, the power, and the glo-ry are yours,
now and for ev-er. A-men.

Breaking of the Bread

Presider

We break the bread of life,
and that life is the light of the world.

All

God here among us, light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.

Presider

The gifts of God for the people of God.

All

Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

Choir

Charpentier

During Communion

Choir

Sending Out of the Disciples

Prayer After Communion

Presider

God of all the nations of the earth,
guide us with your light.

All

Help us to recognize Christ as he comes to us
in this eucharist and in our neighbours.

May we welcome him with love,
for he is Lord now and for ever. Amen.

Doxology
Presider
All

Glory to God,
whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn

We Three Kings

All 1. We three Kings of Orient are,
bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and mountain,
following yonder star.

*Refrain: O star of wonder, star of night,
star with royal beauty bright:
westward leading, still proceeding,
guide us to thy perfect light!*

High voices 2. Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,
gold I bring to crown him again,
King for ever, ceasing never
over us all to reign. *Refrain*

Cantor 3. Frankincense to offer have I:
incense owns a Deity nigh;
prayer and praising, gladly raising,
worship him, God Most High. *Refrain*

Low voices 4. Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume
breathes a life of gathering gloom;
sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,
sealed in the stone-cold tomb. *Refrain*

All 5. Glorious now behold him arise,
King and God and Sacrifice;
Alleluia, alleluia,
earth to the heaven replies. *Refrain*

Dismissal
All

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude



Ministering Through Liturgy

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

<i>Readers</i>	Rayleen Nash, David Kuhl
<i>Ministers of Communion</i>	Clergy, Friends & Parishioners of Christ Church Cathedral
<i>Welcoming Team</i>	Parishioners & Friends of the Cathedral
<i>Presider</i>	Dean Peter Elliott
<i>Preacher</i>	The Rev. Dixie Black
<i>Music</i>	Rupert Lang, Organist and Director of Music, Members of the Cathedral Choir



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