



ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL
THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY WITH THE BURNING OF THE GREENS
JANUARY 6, 2018 AT 6:00 P.M.

All stand for the Opening Hymn.

OPENING HYMN H-1982 #25

O gracious Light, Lord Jesus Christ

THE EIGHTH TUNE

1 O gra - cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, in
2 Now sun - set comes, but light shines forth, the
3 Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O

you the Fa - ther's glo - ry shone. Im - mor - tal, ho - ly,
lamps are lit to pierce the night. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and
Son of God, Life - giv - ing Lord; where - fore you are through

blest is he, and blest are you, his ho - ly Son.
Spi - rit: God who dwells in the e - ter - nal light.
all the earth and in the high - est heaven a - dored.

All remain standing.

Leader Light and peace in Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Leader If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, and the light around me turn to night,"

People **Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; darkness and light to you are both alike.**

Leader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Leader 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.**

Leader Show us your mercy, O Lord;

People **And grant us your salvation.**

Leader Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

People **Let your people sing with joy.**

Leader Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

People **For only in you can we live in safety.**

Leader Lord, keep this nation under your care;

People **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Leader Let your way be known upon earth;

People **Your saving health among all nations.**

Leader Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

People **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Leader Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People **And sustain us by your Holy Spirit.**

The people are seated.

CHORAL ANTHEM

Three Great Kings

PROVENÇAL CAROL | ARR. MARK SCHWEIZER

*Three great Kings I met at early morn,
With all their retinue were slowly marching;
Three great Kings I met at early morn,
Were on their way to meet the newly-born.*

*And valiant warriors to guard the royal treasure,
With gifts of gold brought from far away,
Their shields all shining in their bright array.*

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' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God**

All now stand and sing.

HYMN OF PRAISE H-1982 #119

As with Gladness Men of Old

All are now seated.

EPIPHANY NARRATIVE

During the narrative, all remain seated for the reading.

READING

MATTHEW 2:10-12

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God**

The people remain seated to sing.

HYMN OF PRAISE H-1982 #128

We Three Kings

KINGS OF ORIENT

Verse 1 and 5 and all refrains are sung by the congregation; soloists will sing verses 2, 3, and 4.

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!

2 Born a King of Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown him again,
 King forever, ceasing never over us all to reign. **Refrain**

3 Frankincense to offer have I: incense owns a Deity nigh;

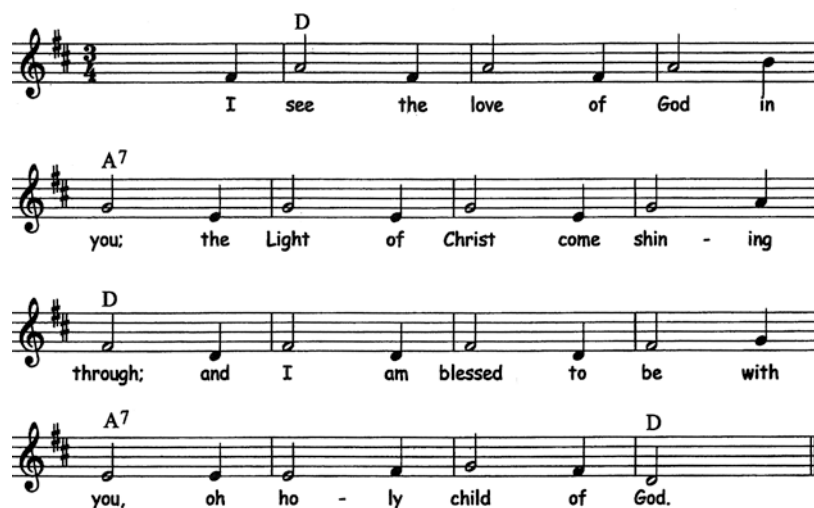
prayer and praising, gladly raising worship him God Most High. **Refrain**

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

5 Glorious now be hold him arise, King and God and Sacrifice;
heaven sings alleluia: alleluia the earth replies. **Refrain**

At the end of the Epiphany Narrative, the Congregation will again be invited to stand, as the light is passed to every gathered member of the Body. As candles are lighted, the people sing

I SEE THE LOVE OF GOD



Leader You are the light of the world.

People A city on a hill cannot be hidden.

Leader No one after lighting a lamp puts it under a basket,

People But on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house.

Leader In the same way, let your light shine before all people,

People So that they may see your good works and give glory to God in heaven.

Leader O God, you manifest in your servants the signs of your presence: Send forth upon us the spirit of love, that in companionship with one another your abounding grace may increase among us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Leader Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

The people now process by candlelight to the burning of the greens. Please bring this order of service with you for the conclusion of our liturgy.

You may throw your candles into the fire, but please place the plastic candle holders in the baskets outside.

BURNING OF THE GREENS

Leader The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Leader Let us pray, in the words our Lord taught us.

All continue together.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, 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.*

Leader Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Leader Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Leader May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**



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