



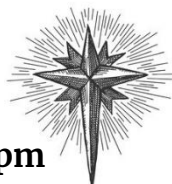
CATHEDRAL *of* Saint Matthew *the* Apostle

WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 4, 2026

Celebration of the Eucharist at 5:30pm



Entrance Hymn The First Nowell *beginning with vs. 3*



1. The first No - well the an - gel did say Was to
2. They look - ed up and saw a star Shin - ing
3. And by the light of that same star Three
4. This star drew nigh to the north - west, O'er
5. Then en - tered in those wise men three, Full
6. Then let us all with one ac - cord Sing



cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay; In
in the east be - yond and them far; And
wise men came from coun - try far; To
Beth - le - hem it took its rest; And
rev - 'rent - ly up - on their knee, And
prais - es to our heav - 'nly Lord, Who



fields where they lay keep - ing their sheep, On a
to the earth it gave great light, And
seek for a king was their in - tent, And to
there it did both stop and stay Right
of - fered there in his pres - ence Their
made the heav'ns and earth of naught, And



cold win - ter's night that was so deep.
so it con - tin - ued both day and night.
fol - low the star where - ev - er it went.
o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.
gold and myrrh and frank - in - cense.
with his blood our life has bought.



Readings

Worship No. 1021

Responsorial Psalm

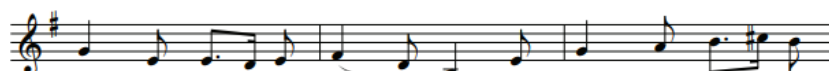


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Preparation Hymn What Child Is This



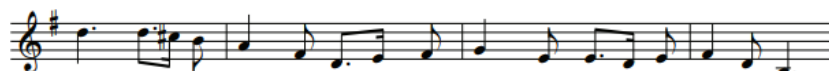
1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, On
2. Why lies he in such mean es - tate Where
3. So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; Come,



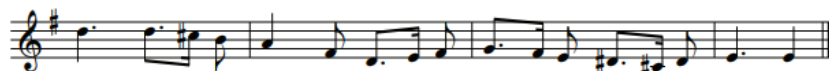
Mar - y's lap is sleep - ing, Whom an - gels greet with
ox - and ass are feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear; for
peas - ant, king, to own him. The King of kings sal -



an - them's sweet While shep - herds watch are keep - ing?
sin - ners here The si - lent Word is plead - ing.
va - tion brings; Let lov - ing hearts en - throne him.



This, this is Christ the King, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;



Haste, haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Mar - y.



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Communion We Three Kings of Orient Are



1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; Bear - ing
2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, Gold I
3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; In - cense
4. Myrrh is mine: its bit - ter per - fume Breathes a
5. Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and



gifts, we trav - erse a - far Field and foun - tain,
bring to crown him a - gain; King for - ev - er,
owns a De - i - ty night; Prayer and prais - ing,
life of gath - er - ing gloom; Sor - rowing, sigh - ing,
God and Sac - ri - fice; "Al - le - lu - ia,



Moor and moun - tain, Fol - low - ing yon - der star.
Ceas - ing nev - er, O - ver us all to reign.
Glad - ly rais - ing, Wor - ship - ing God on high.
Bleed - ing, dy - ing, Sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
Al - le - lu - ia!" Sounds through the earth and skies.



O star of won - der, star of night, Star with



roy - al beau - ty bright, West - ward lead - ing,

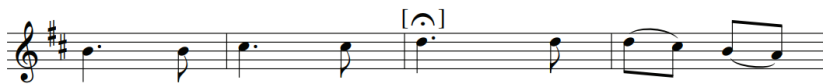


still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to the per - fect Light.

Final Joy to the World



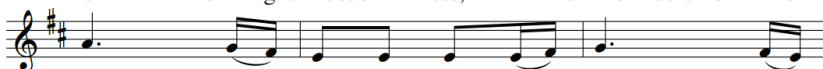
1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let
 2. Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let
 3. No more let sin and sor - row grow, Nor
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, And



earth re - ceive her king; Let ev - 'ry
 us our songs em - ploy; While fields and
 thorns in - fest the ground; He comes to
 makes the na - tions prove The glo - ries



heart pre - pare him room And heav'n and na - ture
 floods, rocks, hills and plains Re - peat the sound - ing
 make his bless - ings flow Far as the curse is
 of his right - eous - ness, And won - ders of his



sing, And heav'n and na - ture sing, And
 joy, Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re -
 found, Far as the curse is found, Far
 love, And won - ders of his love, And



heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
 peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 as, far as the curse is found.
 won - ders, won - ders of his love.

