

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

AT THE COMMUNION, CAROL Night of silence

1. Cold are the peo - ple, win - ter of life, We
2. Voice in the dis - tance, call in the night, On
3. Spir - it a - mong us, shine like the star, Your
trem - ble in shad - ows this cold end - less night,
wind you en - fold us, you speak of the light,
light that guides shep - herds and kings from a - far,
Fro - zen in the snow lie ros - es sleep - ing,
Gen - tle on the ear you whis - per soft - ly,
Shim - mer in the sky so emp - ty, lone - ly,
Flow - ers that will ech - o the sun - rise,
Ru - mors of a dawn so em - brac - ing,
Ris - ing in the warmth of your Son's love,
Fire of hope is our on - ly warmth,
Breath-less love a - waits dark - ened souls,
Star un - know - ing of night and day,
Wea - ry, its flame will be dy - ing soon.
Soon will we know of the morn - ing.
Spir - it we wait for your lov - ing Son.

Text: Daniel Kantor, b.1960
Tune: Daniel Kantor, b.1960
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RECESSIONAL HYMN Hark! The herald-angels sing

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come: Let
2. Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns: Let
3. No more let sin and sor - rows 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
floods, rocks, hills and plains Re -
make his bless - ings flow Far
of his right - eous - ness, And
heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture
peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing
as the curse is found, Far as the curse is
won - ders of his love, And won - ders of his
sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
found, Far as, far as the curse is found.
love, And won - ders, won - ders of his love.

Text: Psalm 98; Isaac Watts, 1674-1748
Tune: ANTIOCH, CM; arr. from George F. Handel, 1685-1759, in T. Hawkes' *Collection of Tunes*, 1833

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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH (A)

December 28, 2025, 9:00 am.

PRELUDE

ENTRANCE HYMN Of the Father's love begotten

1. Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten
2. O that birth for ev - er bless - ed,
3. This is he whom seers and sag - es
4. Let the heights of heav'n a - dore him;
Ere the worlds be - gan to be,
When the Vir - gin, full of grace,
Sang of old with one ac - cord,
An - gel hosts, his prais - es sing;
He is Al - pha and O - me - ga,
O - ver - shad - owed by the Spir - it,
Whom the voic - es of the proph - ets
Pow'rs, do - min - ions, bow be - fore him
He the source, the end of - ing he
Bore the Sav - ior our race;
Prom - ised in their faith - ful word;
And ex - tol our God and King;
Of the things that are, that have been,
And the babe, the world's re - deem - er,
Now he shines, the long - ex - pect - ed;
Let no tongue on earth be si - lent,
And that fu - ture years shall see
First re - vealed his sa - cred face,
Let cre - a - tion praise its Lord
Ev - 'ry voice in con - cert ring
Ev - er - more and ev - er - more!

Words: *Corde natus ex Parentis*; Aurelius Prudentius (348-413); Tr. By John M. Neale, (1818-1866) and Henry W. Baker (1821-1877)
Music: DIVINUM MYSTERIUM, 8 7 8 7 8 7 7; 12th. C.; Mode V.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Congregation sings throughout:

I *(Cantor or choir)*

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

II *(Assembly)*

We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you,

II

we give you thanks for your great glo-ry, Lord God, heav’n-ly King,

I

O God, al-might-y Fa-ther. Lord Je-sus Christ,

II

On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther,

II

you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us;

I

you take a-way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer;

II

you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther,

I

have mer-cy on us. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,

II

you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ,

II *Slower*

with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

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FIRST READING Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

God sets a father in honor over his children; a mother’s authority he confirms over her sons. Whoever honors his father atones for sins, and preserves himself from them. When he prays, he is heard; he stores up riches who reveres his mother. Whoever honors his father is gladdened by children, and, when he prays, is heard. Whoever reveres his father will live a long life; he who obeys his father brings comfort to his mother. My son, take care of your father when he is old; grieve him not as long as he lives. Even if his mind fail, be considerate of him; revile him not all the days of his life; kindness to a father will not be forgotten, firmly planted against the debt of your sins—a house raised in justice to you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

Bless-ed are those who fear the Lord

and walk in his ways, and walk in his ways.

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Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in his ways!
For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork; blessed shall you be, and favored. **R.**

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine in the recesses of your home;
your children like olive plants around your table. **R.**

Behold, thus is the man blessed who fears the LORD.
The LORD bless you from Zion: may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem
all the days of your life. **R.**

SECOND READING Colossians 3:12-21

Brothers and sisters: Put on, as God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection. And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Wives, be subordinate to your husbands, as is proper in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and avoid any bitterness toward them. Children, obey your parents in everything, for this is pleasing to the Lord. Fathers, do not provoke your children, so they may not become discouraged.

ALLELUIA Colossians 3:15a, 16a

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

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Let the peace of Christ control your hearts;
Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

GOSPEL Luke 2:41-52

Each year Jesus’ parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom. After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Thinking that he was in the caravan, they journeyed for a day and looked for him among their relatives and acquaintances, but not finding him, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, “Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for

you with great anxiety.” And he said to them, “Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?” But they did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.

AT THE PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND OF THE GIFTS,
CAROL 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 - thems 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.

Text: William C. Dix, 1827-1898
Tune: GREENSLEEVES, 8 7 8 7 with refrain; English melody, 16th C.; harm. by John Stainer, 1840-1901

EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

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Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na, ho-

san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the

high-est. Ho-san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est.