

Service items listed in red are found in the red Book of Common Prayer. Hymns, listed in blue, are found in the blue Hymnal.

The Word of God

The Opening Sentence (Stand at the bell)

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: AND BLESSED BE HIS KINGDOM, NOW AND FOR EVER. AMEN.

Hymn 109: *The first Nowell the angel did say* (8 am v. 1 & 2)

The Collect for Purity

8:00 am

The Summary of the Law page 324

The Collect of the Day

O God, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know thee now by faith, to thy presence, where we may behold thy glory face to face; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Reading *Isaiah 60: 1–6*

The Gospel *Matthew 2: 1–12*

The Sermon *The Reverend Canon Christopher J. Hackett*

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The Peace

The Offertory Sentence & Offertory

The Doxology (Tune: Old 100th)

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow

The Great Thanksgiving page 333

The Proper Preface

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Holy, Holy, Holy and Blessed is He page 334

The Lord's Prayer page 336

The Communion of the People

Post Communion Prayer page 339

Hymn 128: *We three kings of Orient are* (v. 1 & 2)

Postlude: *Clangat tuba* Robert Powell (b.1932)

10:30 am

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The Peace

Holy Communion

The Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem William Byrd (1540–1623)
Viderunt omnes

The Doxology (Tune: Old 100th)

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow

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Eucharistic Prayer A

Proper Preface

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Holy, Holy, Holy Lord (S 129 Powell)

The Communion Anthem Harold Friedell (1905–1958)

Saw you never in the twilight

Communion Hymns:

117: *Brightest and best of the stars of the morning*

125: *The people who in darkness walked*

10:30 am Holy Communion continued

The Post Communion Prayer

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Hymn 124: *What star is this, with beams so bright*

Postlude: *Clangat tuba*

Robert Powell (b.1932)

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Flowers & Anthems

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Lay Ministries

8:00 Usher	John Melnick
8:00 Lay Reader / Chalice Bearer	Chris Copelan
8:00 Acolyte	Vince Stevens
Ushers	Steve Brewington, Chris Cameron, Mercy Hankins, Sid Hankins, & David Jones
Greeter	Missy Minkin
Lay Reader / Chalice Bearer	Rick Jenkins
Lector / Chalice Bearer	Mike Clark
Crucifer	Becca Burress
Thurifer	Samer Shatara
Verger	Braxton Hunter
Acolytes	Houston Rogers, Owen Lambert, Luca & Zoey Laverdure
Safety	Matt Carr
Altar Guild	Linda Morris & Team
Flower Guild	Rick Boyd & Team

Announcements

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Today at the Cathedral

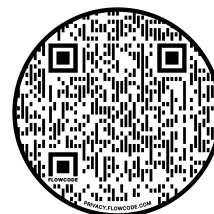
- 9:15 am Daughters of the King - Haslam Rm - Bottom Floor
9:15 am Nursery Opens - newborn to 4 yrs. old - 2nd Floor
9:30 am Coffee, Cards, & Conversation - MS & HS Youth - Rm 7
9:30 am Lectionary Bible Study - Rm 9, Bottom Floor
10:30 am S.K.i.P. Children's Church - 4 yrs. old & up - 2nd Floor
11:30 am Coffee & Cookies - Great Hall

2024 Year End Giving

For those finishing up their giving and pledges for 2024, please be aware that the Cathedral will close the 2024 financial books today, Sunday, January 5th. If you are giving by check, please be sure to date your check December 31st, 2024. Giving is always available online through the Parish Portal.

Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting has been set for Sunday, January 12th, 2025. As in past years, the brief meeting will be a part of our morning worship services on that day.



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The Reading

The Feast of the Epiphany, January 5, 2025

Isaiah 60: 1–6

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah:

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.

The Gospel

The Feast of the Epiphany, January 5, 2025

Matthew 2: 1–12

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew:

8:00 am People: GLORY BE TO THEE, O LORD.

10:30 am People: GLORY TO YOU, LORD CHRIST.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'" Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage."

When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. 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 Gospel of the Lord.

People: PRAISE BE TO THEE, O CHRIST.

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Offertory Anthem: *Viderunt omnes*

Viderunt omnes fines terrae, salutare Dei nostri.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Communion Anthem: *Saw you never in the twilight*

Saw you never, in the twilight,
when the sun had left the skies,
up in heav'n the clear stars shining
through the gloom, like silver eyes?
So of old the wise men, watching,
saw a little stranger star,
and they knew the King was given,
and they followed it from far.

Know ye not that lowly baby
was the bright and morning Star?
He who came to light the Gentiles
and the darkened isles afar?
And we, too, may seek his cradle;
there our hearts' best treasures bring;
love and faith and true devotion
for our Savior, God, and King.