



EPIPHANY



the journey
to the manger

Hymn: We three Kings

We three kings of orient are,
Bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain,
Moor and mountain,
Following yonder star.

*O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright.
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.*

[Melchior:]
Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,
Gold I bring to crown Him again
King for ever, ceasing never
Over us all to reign.

[Casper:]
Frankincense to offer have I,
Incense owns a deity nigh
Prayer and praising,
all men raising,
Worship Him, God most high.

[Balthazar:]
Myrrh is mine,
Its bitter perfume
breathes a life of gathering gloom.
Sorrowing, sighing,
bleeding, dying,
Sealed in the stone cold tomb.

Glorious now behold Him arise,
King and God and Sacrifice!
Heaven sings Alleluia,
Alleluia the earth replies, *Oh...*

The Gathering

We make the sign of the cross

In my head,
in my heart,
and all around me,
Jesus is here **Amen.**

Welcome

Prayers of Penitence

Silence is kept.

Lord, we sometimes look for you in the wrong places
and hope to find you in the wrong things.

Lord, forgive us

All and show us your light

Lord, we are not always kind to one another;
we hurt those we love with cruel words and deeds:

Lord, forgive us

All and show us your light

Lord, we are sometimes ashamed to speak of you
or to share your light and love with others.

Lord, forgive us
All and show us your light

Glory to God

Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to the Father. x3
To God be glory forever x 3
Alleluia Amen. x 3
Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to Christ Jesus.
Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to the Spirit.

The Collect

Gospel Reading The Star-gazers

Talk

Rap Let's be on our way.

Prayers

Affirmation of Faith

Brothers and sisters, let us affirm together,
our common faith in Jesus Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

All I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

All I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit?
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

All I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the church.

**All This is our faith.
We believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

The Peace

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace.
Of the increase of his government and of peace
there shall be no end. *Isaiah 9.6,7*

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Preparation of the Table

Taking of the Bread and Wine

Hymn In the Bleak Midwinter

In the bleak mid-winter
Frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron,
Water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,
Snow on snow,
In the bleak mid-winter,
Long ago.

Our God, Heaven cannot hold Him
Nor earth sustain;
Heaven and earth shall flee away
When He comes to reign:
In the bleak mid-winter
A stable-place sufficed
The Lord God Almighty,
Jesus Christ.

Enough for Him, whom cherubim
Worship night and day,
A breastful of milk
And a mangerful of hay;
Enough for Him, whom angels
Fall down before,
The ox and ass and camel
Which adore.

Angels and archangels
May have gathered there,
Cherubim and seraphim
Thronged the air,
But only His mother
In her maiden bliss,
Worshipped the Beloved
With a kiss.

What can I give Him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb,
If I were a wise man
I would do my part,
Yet what I can I give Him,
Give my heart.

Lord, accept your people's gifts,
not gold, frankincense or myrrh,
but hearts and voices raised in praise of Jesus Christ,
our light and our salvation. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
All and also with you.

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

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

The prayer continues ... and sing your praise:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The prayer continues ... today and for ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

**All Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy 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, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

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.**

The Agnus Dei

**Jesus Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus bearer of our sins have mercy on us.
Jesus redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

Prayer after Communion

Lord, we have broken your bread and received your life.

By the power of your Spirit keep us always in your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Notices

Hymn See Him lying on a bed of Straw

See him lying on a bed of straw:
a draughty stable with an open door;
Mary cradling the babe she bore
the prince of glory is his name.

*O now carry me to Bethlehem
to see the Lord of love again:
just as poor as was the stable then,
the prince of glory when he came.*

Star of silver, sweep across the skies,
show where Jesus in the manger lies;
shepherds, swiftly from your stupor rise
to see the saviour of the world!

O now carry me...

Angels, sing again the song you sang,
sing the glory of God's gracious plan;
Sing that Beth'lem's little baby can
be the saviour of us all.

O now carry m

Mine are riches, from your poverty,
from your innocence, eternity;
mine, forgiveness by your death for me,
child of sorrow for my joy.

O now carry me...

The Blessing and Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

