



**ST. JAMES**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

DECEMBER 22, 2013

5:00 P.M.

**T**HE FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS in this format was first held on Christmas Eve 1918 at King's College Chapel, Cambridge, England. (A service of lessons with carols had first been offered in 1880 at the temporary Truro cathedral in Cornwall "to deter the tin miners and carpenters and fishermen from spending Christmas Eve in a pub.")

Dean Eric Milner-White of King's College believed the service could be adapted for use there. After a revision of the order of service was made in 1919, the service has since begun with the hymn "Once in royal David's city." The King's College sometimes uses the Christmas Eve traditional performance to debut a newly composed religious piece of music, as well as offer traditional favorites.

Wherever the service is heard and however it is adapted, whether the music is provided by choir, congregation or both, the backbone of the service — the lessons and the prayers — remains unchanged. "The main theme is the development of the loving purposes of God ... seen through the windows and the words of the Bible," said Dean Eric Milner-White.

Local interests are included in the Bidding Prayer, and personal circumstances give point to different parts of the service. Certainly, those at that service in 1918, so close to the end of World War I, must have recalled their war dead in the passage, "...all those who rejoice with us, but on another shore and in a greater light."

The center of the service, however, is still found by those who "go in heart and mind" and consent to follow where the story leads.

*Please silence phones and electronic devices.*

## ORDER OF SERVICE

### **VOLUNTARY**

*Six Variants on “Es ist ein’ Ros’ entsprungen”*

Gerald Near

*The congregation stands, and all are silent when the hymn starts.*

### **CAROL IN PROCESSION**

*Once in Royal David’s City*

*Hymn 102*

*Congregation joins on last verse, please.*

*Aubrey Green and  
Catherine Hedges,  
soloists*

ONCE in royal David’s city  
stood a lowly cattle shed,  
where a mother laid her baby  
in a manger for his bed:  
Mary was that Mother mild,  
Jesus Christ her little Child.

*Full choir*

He came down to earth from heaven,  
who is God and Lord of all,  
and his shelter was a stable,  
and his cradle was a stall;  
with the poor, the scorned, the lowly,  
lived on earth our Saviour holy.

*Women of the choir*

We, like Mary, rest confounded  
that a stable should display  
heaven’s Word, the world’s creator,  
cradled there on Christmas Day,  
yet this child, our Lord and brother,  
brought us love for one another.\*

*Men of the choir*

For he is our lifelong pattern;  
daily, when on earth he grew;  
he was tempted, scorned, rejected,  
tears and smiles like us he knew.  
Thus he feels for all our sadness,  
and he shares in all our gladness.

*Full choir*

And our eyes at last shall see him,  
through his own redeeming love;  
for that child who seemed so helpless  
is our Lord in heaven above;  
and he leads his children on  
to the place where he is gone.

*Sung by all*

**Not in that poor lowly stable,  
with the oxen standing round,  
we shall see him; but in heaven,  
where his saints his throne surround:  
Christ, revealed to faithful eye,  
set a God's right hand on high.**

**BIDDING PRAYER**

The Very Rev. J. Mark Holland

**B**ELOVED IN CHRIST, be it this Eve our care and delight to prepare ourselves to hear again the message of the angels; in heart and mind to go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, and the Babe lying in a manger.

Let us read and mark in Holy Scripture the tale of the loving purposes of God from the first days of our disobedience unto the glorious Redemption brought us by this holy Child; and let us make this church glad with our carols of praise:

But first, let us pray for the needs of his whole world; for peace and goodwill over all the earth; for the mission and unity of the Church he came to build, and especially within this country and within Baton Rouge.

And because this of all things would rejoice his heart, let us at this time remember in his name the poor and the helpless, the cold, the hungry and the oppressed; the sick and those who mourn; the lonely and the unloved; the aged and the little children; and all those who know not the Lord Jesus, or who love him not, or who by sin have grieved his heart of love.

Lastly, let us remember before God his pure and lowly Mother, and all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore and in a greater light, that multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in this Lord Jesus, we for evermore are one.

These prayers and praises let us humbly offer up to the throne of heaven, in the words which Christ himself hath taught us:

**All** **O**UR 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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Almighty God bless us with his grace; Christ give us the joys of everlasting life; and unto the fellowship of the citizens above may the King of Angels bring us all.  
**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**T**HIS IS THE TRUTH SENT FROM ABOVE,  
The truth of God, the God of love,  
Therefore don't turn me from your door,  
But hearken all both rich and poor.

The first thing which I do relate  
Is that God did man create;  
The next thing which to you I'll tell  
Woman was made with man to dwell.

Thus we were heirs to endless woes,  
Till God the Lord did interpose;  
And so a promise soon did run  
That he would redeem us by his Son.

And at that season of the year  
Our blest Redeemer did appear;  
He here did live, and here did preach,  
And many thousands he did teach.

Thus he in love to us behaved,  
To show us how we must be saved;  
And if you want to know the way,  
Be pleas'd to hear what he did say.

**FIRST LESSON**

Genesis 3:8-15, 17-19

*God tells sinful Adam that he has lost the life of Paradise  
and that his seed will bruise the serpent's head.*

Reader: Adelaide Russo

**A**ND THEY HEARD the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God amongst the trees of the garden. And the Lord God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou? And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself. And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat? And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. And the Lord God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled

me, and I did eat. And the Lord God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: and I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel. And unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee. And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life; thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field; in the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken; for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

**Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN**  
*Choir*

*Jesus Christ the Apple Tree*

Elizabeth Poston

**T**HE TREE OF LIFE MY SOUL HATH SEEN,  
Laden with fruit and always green:  
The tree of life my soul hath seen,  
Laden with fruit and always green:  
The trees of nature fruitless be  
Compared with Christ the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excel:  
By faith I know, but ne'er can tell,  
His beauty doth all things excel:  
By faith I know, but ne'er can tell  
The glory which I now can see  
In Jesus Christ the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought,  
And pleasure dearly I have bought,  
For happiness I long have sought,  
And pleasure dearly I have bought,  
I missed of all; but now I see  
'Tis found in Christ the apple tree.

I'm weary with my former toil,  
Here I will sit and rest awhile:  
I'm weary with my former toil,  
Here I will sit and rest a while:  
Under the shadow I will be,  
Of Jesus Christ the apple tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive,  
It keeps my dying faith alive;  
This fruit doth make my soul to thrive,  
It keeps my dying faith alive;  
Which makes my soul in haste to be  
With Jesus Christ the apple tree.

*God promises to faithful Abraham that in his seed shall  
all the nations of the earth be blessed.*

Reader: Shirley Young

**A**ND THE ANGEL of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time, and said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son: that in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.

**Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN**  
*Choir*

*E'en So Lord Jesus, Quickly Come*

Paul Manz

**P**EACE BE TO YOU AND GRACE FROM HIM  
Who freed us from our sins,  
Who loved us all and shed his blood  
That we might saved be.

Sing holy, holy to our Lord,  
The Lord, Almighty God,  
Who was and is and is to come;  
Sing holy, holy, Lord!

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell there-in,  
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,  
For Christ is coming, is coming soon,  
For Christ is coming soon!

E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,  
And night shall be no more;  
They need no light, nor lamp nor sun,  
For Christ will be their All!

**THIRD LESSON**

Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

*The prophet foretells the coming of the Savior.*

Reader: Michael Ferachi

**T**HE PEOPLE THAT WALKED in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined. For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CAROL**

*Lo' how a Rose e'er blooming*

*Hymn 81*

*Sung by all, standing.*

**L**O, HOW A ROSE E'ER BLOOMING  
from tender stem hath sprung!  
Of Jesse's lineage coming  
as seers of old have sung.

It came, a blossom bright,  
amid the cold of winter,  
when half spent was the night.

Isaiah 'twas foretold it,  
the Rose I have in mind,  
with Mary we behold it,  
the Virgin Mother kind.

To show God's love aright,  
she bore to us a Savior,  
when half spent was the night.

\*O Flower, whose fragrance tender  
with sweetness fills the air,  
dispel in glorious splendor  
the darkness everywhere;  
true man, yet very God,  
from sin and death now save us,  
and share our every load.

*Please be seated.*

*The peace that Christ will bring is foreshown.*

Reader: Paige Gagliano

**A**ND THERE SHALL COME forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots; and the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD; and shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD. With righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth. The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice's den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CAROL**

*St. James Girls Choir*

*A King Was Born* Words & Music by John Pickow,  
arr. Susan Brumfield

*Vera Zholondz, violin*  
*Willis Delony, piano*

**A**S NOBLEMEN AND MERCHANTS  
all slumbered at the inn,  
A King was born outside their door  
to save us all from sin

As star shone in the sky that night  
amidst the heavenly throng,  
But those who slept inside the inn  
slept through the angel's song.

All those who toil for earthly wealth,  
their labors are in vain;  
But richer far are those who labor  
heaven to attain.

Whatever be your station,  
be you rich or be you poor –  
Prepare your heart to usher in  
that child again once more.

*The angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

Reader: Pat Culbertson

**A**ND IN THE SIXTH MONTH the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: and he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CAROL**

*Quartet*

*Infant holy, infant lowly*

Polish carol, arr. David Willcocks

**I**NFANT HOLY, INFANT LOWLY,  
 For his bed a cattle stall;  
 Oxen lowing, Little knowing  
 Christ the Babe is Lord of all.  
 Swift are winging Angels singing,  
 Nowells ringing, Tidings bringin,  
 Christ the Babe is Lord of all,  
 Christ the Babe is Lord of All.

Flocks were sleeping, Shepherds keeping  
 Vigil till the morning new;  
 Saw the glory, Heard the story,  
 Tidings of a gospel true.  
 Thus rejoicing, Free from sorrow,  
 Praises voicing, Greet the morrow,  
 Christ the Babe was born for you!  
 Christ the Babe was born for you!

*St. Luke tells of the birth of Jesus.*

Reader: Margaret Culbertson

**A**ND IT CAME TO PASS in those days, that there went out a decree from Cæsar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judæa, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CAROL**

*St. James Girls Choir*

*What Child is This?*

Traditional carol,  
arr. Russell Robinson

**W**HAT CHILD IS THIS, WHO, LAID TO REST,  
On Mary's lap is sleeping?  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet  
While shepherds watch are keeping?

This, this is Christ the King  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing  
Haste, haste to bring Him love  
The babe, the son of Mary

Why lies he in such mean estate  
Where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christians fear, for sinners here  
The silent word is pleading

This, this is Christ the King  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing  
Haste, haste to bring Him love  
The babe, the son of Mary

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh  
Come peasant, king to own him  
The King of kings salvation brings  
Let loving hearts enthrone him

This, this is Christ the King  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing  
Haste, haste to bring Him love  
The babe, the son of Mary  
The babe, the son of Mary

*The shepherds go to the manger.*

Reader: Steve Anderson

**A**ND THERE WERE IN THE SAME country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CAROL**

*Away in a Manger*

arr. Ola Gjeilo

*Choir; Catherine Hedges, soloist*

**A**WAY IN A MANGER, NO CRIB FOR HIS BED,  
The little Lord Jesus Laid down His sweet head,  
The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay,  
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes  
But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes  
I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky.  
And stay by my side and the morning is nigh,

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay  
Close by me for ever and love me, I pray to  
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care  
And take us to Heaven to live with Thee there

**EIGHTH LESSON**

Matthew 2:1-11

*The wise men are led by the star to Jesus.*

Reader: Summer Keane

**N**OW WHEN JESUS WAS BORN in Bethlehem of Judæa in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.

And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judæa: for thus it is written by the prophet, And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, inquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. When they had heard the king, they departed; and lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

### Thanks be to God.

**CAROL** *Kings of Orient* Hopkins, arr. David Willcocks  
*Standing, the congregation sings vv. 1, 5 and all choruses*

*All sing.*

**W**E THREE KINGS OF ORIENT ARE  
 Bearing gifts we traverse afar.  
 Field and fountain, moor and mountain,  
 Following yonder star.

*All sing choruses:* **O star of wonder, star of night,  
 Star with royal beauty bright,  
 Westward leading, still proceeding,  
 Guide us to thy perfect Light.**

*“Melchior” solo*

Born a king on Bethlehem’s plain,  
 Gold I bring to crown Him again,  
 King forever, ceasing never  
 Over us all to reign. (*To chorus.*)

*“Caspar” solo*

Frankincense to offer have I;  
 Incense owns a Deity nigh.  
 Prayer and praising all men raising,  
 Worship Him, God on high. (*To chorus.*)

*“Balthazar” solo*

Myrrh is mine: it’s bitter perfume  
 Breaths a life of gathering gloom.  
 Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding dying,  
 Sealed in the stone-cold tomb. (*To chorus.*)

*All sing.*

Glorious now behold Him arise,  
 King, and God, and Sacrifice.  
 Heav’n sings alleluya,  
 Alleluya the earth replies: (*To chorus.*)

*The congregation remains standing.*

**NINTH LESSON**

John 1:1-14

*St. John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation.*

Reader: The Very Rev. J. Mark Holland

**I**N THE BEGINNING was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

**Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN #83**

*Sung by all, standing.*

*O come, all ye faithful*

arr. David Willcocks

**O** COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL,  
Joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come and behold him,  
Born the King of Angels.  
O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

God of God,  
Light of Light eternal,  
lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;  
only begotten Son of the Father;  
O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels,  
sing in exultation;  
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;  
glory to God, glory in the highest;  
    O come, let us adore him,  
    O come, let us adore him,  
    O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

See how the shepherds,  
Summoned to his cradle,  
Leaving their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;  
We too will thither bend our joyful footsteps:  
    O come, let us adore him,  
    O come, let us adore him,  
    O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Child, for us sinners  
Poor and in the manger,  
We would embrace thee, with awe and love:  
Who would not love thee,  
Loving us so dearly?  
    O come, let us adore him,  
    O come, let us adore him,  
    O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Yea, Lord we greet thee,  
Born this happy morning,  
Jesu, to thee be glory giv'n;  
Word of the Father,  
Now in flesh appearing:  
    O come, let us adore him,  
    O come, let us adore him,  
    O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

*All remain standing.*

## THE CHRISTMAS COLLECT AND BLESSING

Officiant            The Lord be with you.

All                    **And with thy spirit.**

Officiant            Let us pray.

**O** GOD, who makest us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of thy only son, Jesus Christ: Grant that as we joyfully receive him for our redeemer, so we may with sure confidence behold him, when he shall come to be our judge; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

All                    **Amen.**

**C**HRISt, who by his incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, grant you the fullness of inward peace and goodwill, and make you partakers of the divine nature; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

All                    **Amen.**

*The alms basin is at the rear of the church.  
Offerings given at this service will be divided equally between  
Episcopal Relief & Development earmarked for typhoon relief;  
and, the school scholarship fund at St. Anna's Urban Academy,  
being developed by St. Anna's Episcopal Church  
in the Faubourg Tremé, New Orleans.*

**HYMN IN PROCESSION**    *Hark! the herald angels sing*            arr. David Willcocks  
*Sung by all.*

Hark! the herald angels sing  
Glory to the newborn King:  
Peace on earth and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled:  
Joyful all ye nations rise,  
Join the triumph of the skies,  
With the angelic hosts proclaim,  
Christ is born in Bethlehem.

Hark! the herald angels sing  
Glory to the newborn King.

Christ, by highest heaven adored,  
 Christ, the everlasting Lord,  
 Late in time behold him come  
 Offspring of a virgin's womb;  
 Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,  
 Hail the incarnate Deity!  
 Pleased as man with man to dwell,  
 Jesus, our Immanuel.  
     Hark! the herald angels sing  
     Glory to the newborn King.

Mild he lays his glory by,  
 born that we no more may die,  
 born to raise us from the earth,  
 born to give us second birth.  
 Risen with healing in his wings,  
 Light and life to all he brings,  
 hail, the Sun of Righteousness!  
 hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!  
     Hark! the herald angels sing  
     Glory to the newborn King.

**VOLUNTARY**

*Voluntary on "O Come, All Ye Faithful"*

Gordon Young

**PLEASE JOIN US THIS WEEK FOR**

# CHRISTMAS AT ST. JAMES

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|------------------------|--------------------|--|
| MONDAY, DECEMBER 23    | 9:00 a.m.          | Decorating the church  |
| TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24   | 2:00 p.m.*         | Pageant participants arrive in costume   |
|                        | 3:30 p.m.*         | The Christmas Pageant and Christ Mass  |
|                        | 7:00 p.m.          | The Christ Mass  |
|                        | 11:00 p.m.         | The Christ Mass  |
| WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25 | 10:00 a.m.         | The Christ Mass  |
| SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29    | 7:30 a.m.          | Holy Eucharist, Christmas I  |
|                        | <b>9:00 a.m.</b>   | <b>Fifth Sunday Breakfast in Bishops Hall</b><br><i>For the parish, friends, and serving our neighbors on the street</i> |
|                        | <b>10:30 a.m.*</b> | <b>Holy Eucharist, Christmas I w/carols</b>  |
|                        | 5:00 p.m.          | Holy Eucharist, Christmas I (spoken)<br><i>*nursery available</i>  |

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### ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY

Words: Sts. 1-2 and 4-6, Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)

st. 3, James Waring McCrady (b. 1938)

Music: *Irby*, melody Henry John Gauntlett \*1805-1876); Vv. 1-5 harm. Arthur Henry Mann (1850-1929) © 1957 Novello and Company Ltd.; v. 6 harm. by Sir David Willcocks (b. 1919); © 1961 Oxford University Press

### THE TRUTH FROM ABOVE

Words: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Music: Traditional

### JESUS CHRIST THE APPLE TREE

Words: from *Divine Hymns or Spiritual Song*, compiled by Joshua Smith

Music: Elizabeth Poston (1905-1987)

### E'EN SO LORD JESUS, QUICKLY COME

Words: Revelation 22 adapted by Ruth Manz

Music: Paul Manz (1919-2009)

### LO, HOW A ROSE E'RE BLOOMING

Words: St. 1-2, German, 16th cent.; tr. Theodore Baker (1851-1934). st. 3, Friedrich Layritz (1808-1859); tr. Harriet Reynolds Krauth Spaeth (1845-1925); © Church Pension Group

Music: *Es ist ein Ros*, melody from *Alte Catholische Geistliche Kirchengesäng*, 1599; harm. Michael Prætorius (1571-1621)

### A KING WAS BORN

Words and Music by Jonathan Pickow (b. 1958),

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### INFANT HOLY, INFANT LOWLY

Tr. Edith M. Reed

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Words: William Chatterton Dix (1827-1898)

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### AWAY IN A MANGER

Words: Unknown

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### KINGS OF ORIENT

Words and melody by J.H. Hopkins (1820-1891);

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### O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

Words: John Francis Wade (1711-1786); tr. Frederick Oakeley (1802-1880) and others

Music: *Adeste fideles*, present form of melody att.

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### HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.

Music: *Mendelssohn*, Felix Mendelssohn (1809-

1847); arr. Sir David Willcocks (b. 1919), ©

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