



The Nativity of the Lord
December 24, 2021, 7:30 PM
St. Giles Family Mass Community

Preludes:

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

Verse 1: It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old.
From angels bending near the earth to touch their harps of gold.
“Peace on the earth, good will to all, from heav’ns all gracious King” —
The world in solemn stillness lay to hear the angels sing.

Verse 2,3 Choir

Verse 4. For lo! The days are hastn’ing on by prophets seen of old,
When with the ever-circling years shall come the time foretold,
When peace shall over all the earth it’s ancient splendors fling,
And all the world give back the song which now the angels sing!

Lo, How a Rose Eer Blooming
I Heard the Bells

Longfellow/Hearn

Children’s Choir

This Is My Wish
Go Tell It On the Mountain

Welcome

Pastoral Team

Mary Swiontoniowski

Final Carol: O Little Town of Bethlehem

Verse 1: O Little Town of Bethlehem,
how still we see thee lie
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
the everlasting light The hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight.

Verse 2: For Christ is born of Mary,
and gathered all above While mortals sleep the angels keep
their watch of wondering love Oh morning stars together
proclaim thy holy birth. And praises sing to God the king
and peace to all on earth.

Candlelight Procession

Christmas Proclamation

Conry

Please light your candle – wherever you are – as the Light is born into the world!

“And all of us who gather to remember: For whom the stars themselves will wander in the sky. Who keep the vigil and the night, who are warmed by oldest light, who have passed through the sea and tell the stories: Be here among us.”



Opening Song:

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

ADESTE FIDELES

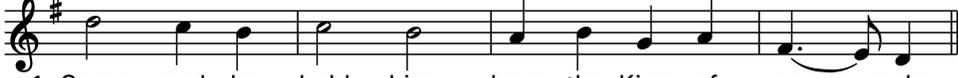
Verses



1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
2. † Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion, †
3. † Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing, †
4. *Ad - é - ste fi - dé - les, lae - ti tri - um - phán - tes, Ve -*



1. come ye, O come — ye to Beth - le - hem;
2. Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove!
3. Je - sus, to thee — be all glo - ry giv'n;
4. *ní - te, ve - ní - te in Béth - le - hem.*



1. Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
2. Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;
3. Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;
4. *Na - tum vi - dé - te Re - gem an - ge - ló - rum.*

Refrain



O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, O
Ve - ní - te, a - do - ré - mus, ve - ní - te, a - do - ré - mus, ve -



— come, let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord!
ní - te, a - do - ré - mus Dó - mí - num.

Text: Irregular with refrain; John F. Wade, ca. 1711-1786;
tr. by Frederick Oakeley, 1802-1880, alt. Music: John F. Wade.

Proclaimers:

First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-6

Psalms: Today is born our Savior, born our Savior Christ the Lord!

Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14

Gospel Acclamation: ALLELUIA!

Gospel: Luke 2:1-14

Gloria: A Christmas Gloria

Maci and Malia Sardon

Joanne Corwin

Janice Roberts

Fr. Carl Morello

Gibson

Preparation of the Gifts: Still, Still, Still

Cooney

V1. Still, still, still, the midnight's desert's chill.

Now piercing the night, a child's hungry crying rings like a gospel: old ways are dying.

Still, still, still, the night is with us still.

V2. Still, still, still, the darkness gathers still.

The song of the angels brings happy respite; dreams counsel flights from rage of the despot.

Still, still, still, how the mighty fear the light.

V3. Still, still, still, the inns are ever full. In hunger and war 'mid fear overwhelming,
still with your word, assuring, calming, still, still, still, be with your children still.

Great God, be with us still.



Communion Hymn:

Noel Peace Canon

Schramm

Night of Silence/Silent Night

Kantor/Mohr/Gruber

1. Cold are the people, winter of life,
We tremble in shadows this cold endless night,
Frozen in the snow lie roses sleeping,
Flowers that will echo the sunrise,
Fire of hope is our only warmth, Weary, its flame will be dying soon.
2. Voice in the distance, call in the night,
On wind you enfold us, you speak of the light,
Gentle on the ear you whisper softly,
Rumors of a dawn so embracing,
Breathless love awaits darkened souls, Soon will we know of the morning.
3. Spirit among us, shine like the star,
Your light that guides shepherds and kings from afar,
Shimmer in the sky so empty, lonely,
Rising in the warmth of your Son's love,
Star unknowing of night and day, Spirit we wait for your loving Son.
Text: Daniel Kantor, b.1960, □1984, GIA Publications, Inc.

1. Silent night, holy night, All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child, Holy Infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.
2. Silent night, holy night, Shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar, Heav'nly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!
3. Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

Text: Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht; Joseph Mohr, 1792-1849; tr. John F. Young, 1820-1885

Closing Songs: Joy To the World!

**Joy to the World! The Lord has come! Let earth receive her king!
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing! And heaven and nature sing!
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing!**

**Joy to the World! The Savior reigns. Let us, our songs employ!
While fields and floods, rocks hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy!**

**He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness,
and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love!**

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