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ENTRANCE HYMN

“The First Nowell”
THE FIRST NOWELL

1. The first No-well the an-gel did say,
   Was to cer-tain poor shep-herds in fields as they lay;
   On a cold win-ter's night that was so deep.

2. They look-ed up and saw a star,
   Shin-ing in the east, be-yond them far;
   And so it con-tinued both day and night.

3. And by the light of that same star,
   Three wise men came from coun-try far;
   And to fol-low the star wher-ev-er it went.

4. This star drew nigh to the north west,
   O'er Beth-le-hem it took its rest,
   Right over the place where Je-sus lay.

5. Then en-tered in those wise men three,
   Full re-vent-ly up-on the knee,
   Their gold and myrrh and frank-i-nce.

6. Then let us all with one ac-cord
   Sing praise-es to our heav'n-ly Lord;
   Born is the King of Is-ra-el!
Beloved:
Who is the liar?
Whoever denies that Jesus is the Christ.
Whoever denies the Father and the Son, this is the antichrist.
Anyone who denies the Son does not have the Father,
but whoever confesses the Son has the Father as well.

Let what you heard from the beginning remain in you.
If what you heard from the beginning remains in you,
then you will remain in the Son and in the Father.
And this is the promise that he made us: eternal life.
I write you these things about those who would deceive you.
As for you,
the anointing that you received from him remains in you,
so that you do not need anyone to teach you.
But his anointing teaches you about everything and is true and not false;
just as it taught you, remain in him.

And now, children, remain in him,
so that when he appears we may have confidence
and not be put to shame by him at his coming.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.
Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4

R* (3cd) All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

Sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done wondrous deeds;
His right hand has won victory for him,
his holy arm. R*

The LORD has made his salvation known:
in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice.
He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness
toward the house of Israel. R*

All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation by our God.
Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands;
break into song; sing praise. R*

Gospel Acclamation

Christmastime Alleluia
James Chepponis

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

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This is the testimony of John. When the Jews from Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to him to ask him, “Who are you?” He admitted and did not deny it, but admitted, “I am not the Christ.” So they asked him, “What are you then? Are you Elijah?” And he said, “I am not.” “Are you the Prophet?” He answered, “No.” So they said to him, “Who are you, so we can give an answer to those who sent us? What do you have to say for yourself?” He said: “I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, ‘Make straight the way of the Lord,’ as Isaiah the prophet said.” Some Pharisees were also sent. They asked him, “Why then do you baptize if you are not the Christ or Elijah or the Prophet?” John answered them, “I baptize with water; but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie.” This happened in Bethany across the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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Resonet in Laudibus Acclamations
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My mystery of Faith

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The reception of Holy Communion is the most sacred act for Catholics. We believe that we are then receiving the Body and Blood of Christ. Catholics who are properly prepared should approach the ministers of Holy Communion. We ask non-Catholics not to receive. They are encouraged, however, to come forward with arms crossed over their heart to receive a blessing.
AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

HYMN

“I Wonder As I Wander”
John Jacob Niles

1. I wonder as I wander out under the sky,
2. When Mary birthed Jesus, 'twas in a cows' stall,
3. If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing:
4. I wonder as I wander out under the sky,

1. How Jesus, the Savior, did come for to die.
2. With wise-men and farmers and shepherds and all.
3. A star in the sky, or a bird on the wing;
4. How Jesus, the Savior, did come for to die.

1. For poor, or d'nyr' peole like you and like I.
2. But high from God's heav'en a star's light did fall,
3. Of all of God's angels in heav'en to sing,
4. For poor, or d'nyr' peole like you and like I,

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T h e  C o n c l u d i n g  R i t e s

R e c e s s i o n a l  H y m n

“While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks”
WINCHESTER OLD

1. While shep - herds watched their flocks by night, All
   sat - ed on the gound, The an - gel of the

2. "Fear not," said he, for might - y dread Had
   seized their trou - bled mind; "Glad ti - dings of great

3. "To you, in Da - vid's town, this day Is
   born of Da - vid's line, The Sav - ior who is

4. "The heav'n - ly Child you there shall find To
   human view dis - played, All mean - ly wrapped in

5. Thus spoke the ser - aph; and forth - with ap -
   peared a shin - ing throng Of an - gels prais - ing

6. "All glo - ry be to God on high, And
   on the earth be peace; Good will hence - forth from

1. Lord came down, And glo - ry shone a - round.
2. joy I bring To you and all man - kind.
3. Christ the Lord, And this shall be the sign;
4. swad - dling clothes, And in a man - ger laid."
5. God, who this Ad - dressed their joy - ful song;
6. heav'n to men Be - gin and nev - er cease."
GUIDELINES FOR THE RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

FOR CATHOLICS
As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (Code of Canon Law, canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

FOR OUR FELLOW CHRISTIANS
We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ’s prayer for us “that they may all be one” (John 17:21).

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 §4). Members of Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic Discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of Communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 §3).

FOR THOSE NOT RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION
All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

FOR NON-CHRISTIANS
We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

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