

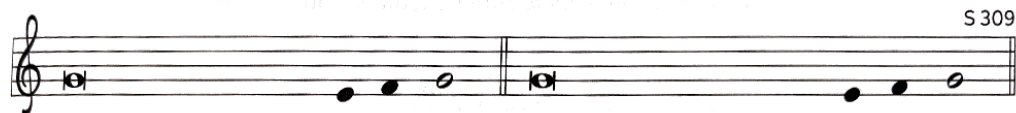


Saint Mark's Cathedral
Twelfth Night Liturgy
January 5, 2022

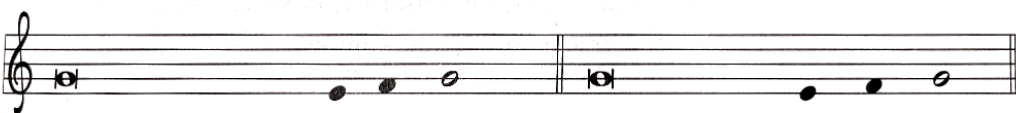
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Welcome

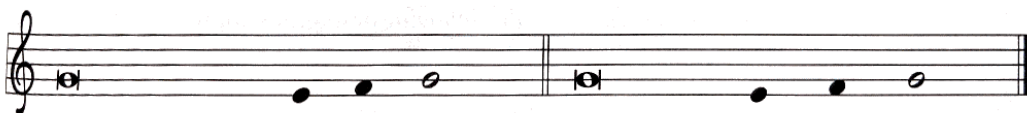
Opening Dialogue



Jesus Christ is the light of the world, **the light no darkness can o - ver - come.**



Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening, **and the day is al - most over.**



Let your light scat - ter the darkness **and illu - mine your church.**

Reading: Isaiah 60:1,3

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Prayer for Light

Leader	Let us pray. Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
All	Amen.

Hymn of Light - Hymn will begin when all have lit their candles



1. O gra-cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, in you the Fa - ther's glo - ry shone.
2. Now sun - set comes, but light shines forth, the lamps are lit to pierce the night.
3. Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O Son of God, Life - giv - ing Lord;

Psalm 72:1-7 read responsively by whole verse


- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;**
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.**
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.**
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

Collect

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Song

Calmly (♩ = 66)



The Lord is my light, my light and sal-va-tion: in God I trust, in God I trust. The

fine

The musical notation is a single line of music in G major (one flat) and common time (C). It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The tempo is marked 'Calmly' with a quarter note equal to 66 beats per minute. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a repeat sign at the beginning. The lyrics are written below the notes, and the word 'fine' is written above the final note.

Bible Reading: Matthew 2:1-12

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.

The Epiphany Proclamation

Dear friends in Christ, the glory of the Lord has shone upon us, and shall ever be manifest among us, until the day of his return. Through the rhythms of times and seasons let us celebrate the mysteries of salvation. Let us recall the year's culmination, the Paschal Triduum of the Lord: his last supper, his crucifixion, his burial, and his rising celebrated between the evening of the fourteenth day of April and the evening of the sixteenth day of April.

Each Easter – as on each Sunday – the Holy Church makes present the great and saving deed by which Christ has for ever conquered sin and death. From Easter are reckoned all the days we keep holy. Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, will occur on the second day of March. The Ascension of the Lord will be commemorated on the twenty-sixth day of May. Pentecost, the joyful conclusion of the season of Easter, will be celebrated on the fifth day of June. And, this year the First Sunday of Advent will be on the twenty-seventh day of November.

Likewise the pilgrim Church proclaims the Passover of Christ in the feasts of the holy Mother of God, in the feasts of the Apostles and Saints, and in the commemoration of the faithful departed.

To Jesus Christ, who was, who is, and who is to come, Lord of time and history, be endless praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer - *Prayed by all*

Heavenly Father, heavenly Mother, holy and blessed is your name.

We pray for your reign of peace to come, we pray that your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day the bread we need, give it to those who have not enough.

Let forgiveness flow between us. Deliver us from evil. For yours is the power and the glory and the mercy now and forever. Amen.

Blessing

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you,
that your lives may be a light to the world;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you, and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

Procession to the Bonfire: ***Jesus, the Light of the World***

Please join in the refrain:

***We'll walk in the light, beautiful light,
Come where the dew-drops of mercy are bright;
Shine all around us by day and by night,
Jesus, the light of the world.***