

**THE FIRST SUNDAY
AFTER CHRISTMAS**

THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

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PROCESSIONAL

GC #387



1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, On
2. Why lies he in such mean es - tate Where
3. So bring him in - cense, gold and myrrh, Come



Mar - y's lap is sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with
ox and ass are feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear; for
peas - ant, king to own him; The King of kings sal -



an - thems sweet, While shep - herds watch are keep - ing?
sin - ners here The si - lent Word is plead - ing,
va - tion brings, Let lov - ing hearts en - throne him.



This, this is Christ the King, Whom shep-herds guard and an - gels sing;



Haste, haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Mar - y.

Text: William C. Dix, 1827-1898

Tune: GREENSLEEVES, 8 7 8 7 with refrain, English melody, 16th C.; harm. by John Stainer, 1840-1901

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LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Leader: We have watched and waited

in hope (*The Eucharistic Minister lights a blue candle.*)

for peace (*light a blue candle.*)

in joy (*light the pink candle.*)

with love. (*light a blue candle.*)

Now our redemption draws near. (*light the white Christ candle.*)

And we rejoice saying:

All: Glory to God in the highest! Alleluia! Amen.



THE WORD OF GOD

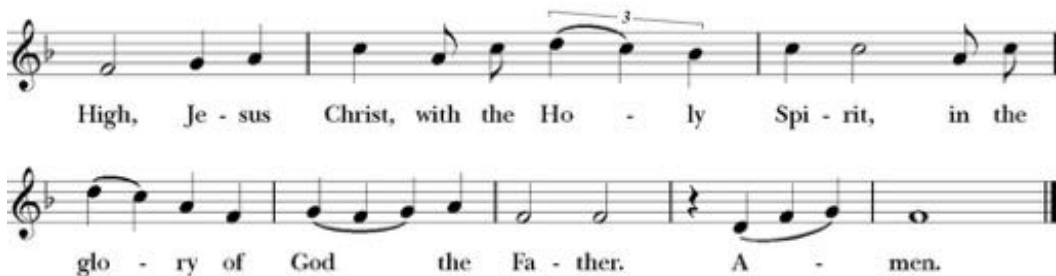
Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

THE GLORIA S 280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: 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. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

ISAIAH 61:10-62:3

To the people who returned to Jerusalem after the exile, the prophet proclaims that God's salvation will fully come to pass. Jerusalem will become a shining light to the nations and righteousness and praise will spring up as surely as the earth puts forth vegetation.

I will greatly rejoice in
the LORD, my whole being
shall exult in my God;
for he has clothed me with the
garments of salvation,
he has covered me with the
robe of righteousness,

as a bridegroom decks himself
with a garland,
and as a bride adorns herself
with her jewels.
For as the earth brings forth its
shoots, and as a garden causes
what is sown in it to spring up,
so the Lord GOD will cause
righteousness and praise

to spring up before all the nations.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory;

and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give.

You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God. † *A time of silence follows*

PSALM 147:13-21

13 Worship the LORD, O Jerusalem; * praise your God, O Zion;
14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; * he has blessed your children within you.
15 He has established peace on your borders; * he satisfies you with the finest wheat.
16 He sends out his command to the earth, * and his word runs very swiftly.
17 He gives snow like wool; * he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.

Laudate Dominum

18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; * who can stand against his cold?
19 He sends forth his word and melts them; * he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.
20 He declares his word to Jacob, * his statutes and his judgments to Israel.
21 He has not done so to any other nation; * to them he has not revealed his judgments.
Hallelujah!

THE NEW TESTAMENT

GALATIANS 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Paul seeks to show the Galatians that the purpose of Christ's birth was to liberate us from the law's condemnation so that we would be fully adopted into God's family as beloved children.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed.

Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian.

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born

under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: *Thanks be to God.* ✠ *A time of silence follows*



GRADUAL HYMN v 1-3 before Gospel, v 3-4 after **GC #374**



1. Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten,
2. O that birth for ev - er bless - ed,
3. Let the heights of heav'n a - dore him;
4. Christ, to you with God the Fa - ther,



Ere the worlds be - gan to be,
When the Vir - gin, full of grace,
An - gel hosts, his prais - es sing;
Spir - it blest e - ter - nal - ly,



He is Al - pha and O - me - ga,
By the Spir - it blest con - ceiv - ing,
Pow'rs, do - min - ions, bow be - fore him,
Hymn and chant and high thanks - giv - ing,



He the source, the end - ing he,
Bore the Sav - ior of our race;
And ex - tol our God and King;
And un - end - ing prais - es be:



Of the things that are, that have been,
And the Babe, the world's Re - deem - er,
Let no tongue on earth be si - lent,
Hon - or, glo - ry, and do - min - ion,



And that fu - ture years shall see,
First re - vealed his sa - cred face,
Ev - 'ry voice in con - cert ring,
And e - ter - nal vic - to - ry,



Ev - er - more and ev - er - more!

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his

own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

*Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

THE MESSAGE

REV. DUANE FISTER

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with

the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The refrain to GC #32 (Psalm 33) is sung prior to the petitions

Let your mer - cy be on us, O God,
as we place our trust in you.

Text: Psalm 33:1, 4-5, 12, 18-19, 20, 22; Marty Haugen, © 1987, GIA Publications, Inc.; refrain trans. © 1969, ICEL
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Leader:

The Word has been made flesh, the light of God’s love has broken through our darkness, the Daystar from on high now shines in our hearts. Filled with the joy of Jesus’ birth, let us pray together in the power of his Spirit, responding, **“Lord, hear our prayer.”**

That the Prince of Peace may guide the leaders of the nations, and all men and women everywhere, into the ways of freedom and truth; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For our Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, our Bishop Greg Rickel, for Father Duane, Father Steve and all priests and spiritual leaders that they may guide us in our journey to Bethlehem, uniting the whole Church as we live into our spiritual kinship with one another; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those for whom the darkness has suffocated hope: the lonely, the fearful, the hungry, and those who bear a private grief; that they may see the dawn of God’s love, and revive the eternal hope that never fades away; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For our families and friends, and for all our absent sisters and brothers; for those who are sick or struggling, especially:

Shawn, Mike & Judy, Doug, Barrett, Janet, Greg, David, Ann, Robin, Betty, Margaret, Jonathon & Christina, Sue, Jesse, Kathy, Don, Kayla & Ryan, Anthony, Megan, Pat, & Harry.

And for those who have died and who now feast at the heavenly banquet of God's grace; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That we may be released from the captivity of our sins, the places of interior blindness that cause us to choose darkness over light; that we may be forgiven by the power of the Holy Spirit; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That we who gather to share the Holy Eucharist and those throughout the world who come to receive this sacrament of Holy Presence, may bear witness to Christ born in our hearts; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest: Let us confess our sins:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Priest: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The refrain to GC #32 is sung after the prayers



Let your mer - cy be on us, O God,
as we place our trust in you.

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

OFFERTORY

THE HOLY COMMUNION

DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. AMEN.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the
Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

The Sanctus GC #204 is sung



Then the Celebrant continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: “Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: “Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Celebrant and People

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Celebrant continues

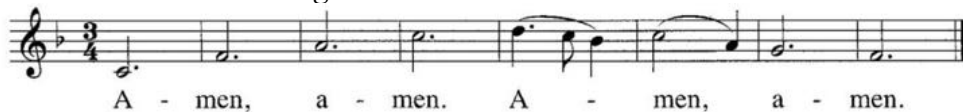
Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with the Blessed Virgin Mary, our Patron, David of Wales, and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

All: Blessed are you now and for ever

The Amen GC 247 is sung



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And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

**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,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. †Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The Agnus Dei GC #248 is sung

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
world: have mer-cy on us. *Cantor:* Lamb of
All: God, you take a-way the sins of the world:
grant us peace. Grant us peace.

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POST - COMMUNION HYMN

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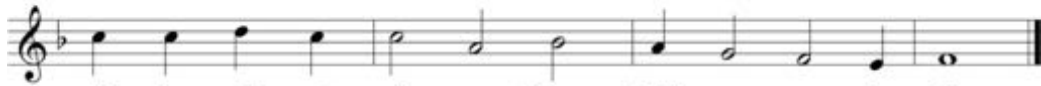
1. Lo, how a Rose e'er bloom-ing From ten - der stem hath
2. I - sa - iah 'twas for - told it, The Rose I have in
3. O Flower, whose fra - grance ten - der With sweet-ness fills the



sprung! Of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing As seers of
mind, With Mar - y we be - hold it, The Vir - gin
air, Dis - pel in glo - rious splen - dor The dark-ness



old have sung. It came, a blos - som bright, A -
Moth - er kind. To show God's love a - right, She
ev - 'ry - where; True man, yet ver - y God, From



mid the cold of win - ter, When half spent was the night.
bore to us a Sav - ior, When half spent was the night.
sin and death now save us, And share our ev - 'ry load.

Text: Isaiah 11:1; *Es ist ein 'Ros' entsprungen*; *Speier Gesangbuch*, 1599; tr. sts. 1-2 by Theodore Baker, 1851-1934; st. 3, *The Hymnal*, 1940
Tune: ES IST EIN 'ROS' ENSTSPRUNGEN, 7 6 7 6 6 7 6; *Geistliche Kirchengesang*, Cologne, 1599; harm. by Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

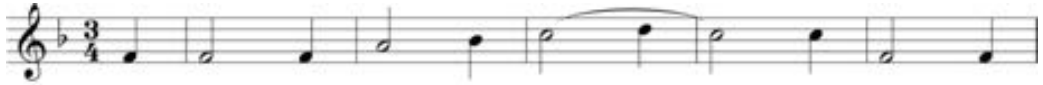
Celebrant: Let us pray.

God our Father, whose Word has come among us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem: may the light of faith illumine our hearts and shine in our words and deeds; through him who is Christ the Lord. Amen.

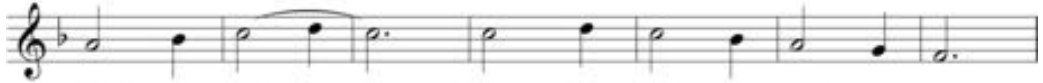
BLESSING

PROCESSION INTO THE WORLD

GC #367



1. Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice With heart and
2. Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice With heart and
3. Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice With heart and



soul and voice; O give heed to what we say;
soul and voice; Now you hear of end - less bliss;
soul and voice; Now you need not fear the grave;



Je - sus Christ is born to - day! Ox and ass be -
Je - sus Christ was born for this! He has o - pened
Je - sus Christ was born to save! Calls you one and



fore him bow, And he is in the man - ger now.
heav - en's door, And we are blest for ev - er - more.
calls you all To gain his ev - er - last - ing hall.



Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

Text: *In dulci jubilo*; Latin and German, 14th C.; tr. by John M. Neal, 1818-1866
Tune: IN DULCI JUBILO, 66 77 78 55; Klug's *Geistliche Lieder*, Wittenberg, 1535; harm. by Robert L. Pearsall, 1795-1856

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