



**ST. FRANCIS ANGLICAN CHURCH**  
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1st Sunday after Epiphany  
January 9, 2022



### **GREETINGS**

**Welcome to our** warm and friendly setting for true, Christ-centered worship. A traditional Anglican Church and a parish of The Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, under the oversight of Bishop Ryan Reed, St. Francis' liturgical standard is the 1928 Book of Common Prayer – a liturgy that is orthodox in its expressions of the Christian faith, based on prayers that have been part of catholic worship for 2000 years. Please stay to visit in the fellowship area after the service. Also, sign the guestbook in the entry hall if you would like to receive more information about St. Francis.

**Please Note: Communion at St. Francis** is in the species of the Body and the Blood of Christ. However, due to COVID-19 prevalence, the Blood of Christ is by intinction only. If you wish to receive the Blood of Christ, leave the wafer in the palm of your hand. The Priest will dip it in the cup and place on your tongue.

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

**We are a community** of believers in the Gospel of Jesus Christ whose mission it is to spread that Gospel in what we preach and in the way we live.

**We are called** to know the Word of God, to act on it in our lives and to share it with our brothers and sisters in the world.

**We are determined** to uphold the ancient faith of our ancestors in the Anglican tradition, to offer traditional Christian values based on the Holy Word of God and to be faithful witnesses to the person of Jesus in the Austin Community.

**St. Francis parish is dedicated** to the presence of Christ in the lives of the poor, the needy, the sick, to each other and to all those to whom Jesus comes to minister in his life on earth.

**As a community of believers, we intend** to entrust our growth in love, in faith and in resources to the generosity of God.

### **PRAYER GROUPS**

**St. Francis Prayer Group:** If you would like to place a name on the list distributed to our active prayer group members, please use the prayer intention box located in the fellowship hall to submit your request. You may also email Fr. Len at [rector@stfrancisaustin.org](mailto:rector@stfrancisaustin.org).

**Prayer Service for our Nation:** *Lord Pour Out Your Love, Life, and Liberty.* You are welcome to join us on Saturday, Feb. 5 in the Fellowship area at 10 a.m. The service will include hymns, prayers – both read and extemporaneous – on the seven centers of prayer.

**Mothers' Prayer Group:** Meets monthly at noon with the next meeting on Friday, January 21. Join this group of mothers as they pray extemporaneous prayers in the ACTS form of adoration, confession, thanksgiving, and supplication, which

includes prayer for each other's families. Contact Charlotte Ready with any questions. Every mother is welcome to attend.

### **ST. FRANCIS EVENTS THIS WEEK**

<b>Today</b>	After each service, Healing Prayers at the Altar Rail. 9:45 a.m., Youth Sunday School, upstairs 3:00 p.m. Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
<b>Jan. 10</b>	Monday, 6 p.m., Vestry Meeting
<b>Jan. 11</b>	Tuesday, 7 p.m., Bible Study via Zoom only
<b>Jan. 12</b>	Wednesday, 7 p.m., Catechism Class, via Zoom
<b>Jan. 13</b>	Thursday, 7 p.m., Evening Prayer, via Zoom or in-person
<b>Jan. 14</b>	Friday, 7:30 p.m., Bible Study at the McCown's house, in-person

### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**Christian Education for Youth** is ongoing! There are two classes: one for grades 6 and up who meet today with Doug Cooper and another for grade K-5 who meet with Missy Bernard. Classes begin with everyone starting out in the 9:30 church service and leaving at the announcements.

**Adult Catechism class Wednesdays, 7:00 to 7:30 p.m.**, All are welcome to join us as we work through the questions list in the book: "To Be a Christian". An email will be sent out with the link to the Zoom meeting on Wednesday morning.

**Three Bible studies for Adults:** Today from 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. in person in the fellowship hall; Tuesday from 7 - 8:15 p.m. on Zoom - studying Luke; Friday from 7:30 - 9 p.m. in person at the McCown's house. Email [info@stafrancisaustin.org](mailto:info@stafrancisaustin.org).

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Annual Parish Meeting: Sunday, January 23** after the 11:00 service . Reports by the Rector, Senior Warden & Treasurer will be given, plus three members of the vestry elected. To be able to vote in the vestry election, you must be a confirmed communicant in good standing with St. Francis, sixteen (16) years of age or older and present at the meeting. The meeting will be conducted on Zoom as well.

**St. Clare's Guild is a group of women** whose ministry is dedicated to serving our parish family in times of celebration, need, illness or loss. If you should find yourself and/or your family in one of these life situations, please contact Eileen Cole.

**St. Francis Anglicans for Life** is always collecting diapers for the Trotter House. Grab a pack or two when you are in the grocery store and bring to the table in the entry hall of the church.

**The prayer shawl ministry** provides shawls to people who are in need of comfort and prayer. We welcome anyone who would like to participate either by knitting/crocheting these shawls or by helping with the purchase of yarn and supplies. Contact Charlotte Ready

**If you are not a member** of St. Francis Anglican Church but would like to be, simply complete a registration form found on the table near the front door and give it to

the Rector. If you wish to become a pledging member, complete a Pledge Card and drop it in the collection plate. It is that easy.

**Anniversary this week:** (11th) Grady and Michelle Collins

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, THE 2ND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

Isaiah 62:1-5, Psalm 96:1-10, 1 Corinthians 12:1-11, John 2:1-11

*Bishop:* The Rt. Rev'd Ryan S. Reed                      *Celebrant:* The Rev. Canon Len Giacolone  
9:30 *Acolyte & Lector:* Arthur Woodgate; *Ushers* David Kristo-Reinking / John  
Goodrich  
11:00: *Acolyte:* Gideon Hatley • *Lector:* Frank Hunt • *Ushers:* Michael Adams / Mack  
Lindsey  
*Organist:* Jim Crandell

## Order of Service

### Procession (hymn at 11:00 only)

52

## Epiphany

77. 77. 77

DIX

*Joyfully*

CONRAD KOCHER, 1838, *alt.*

1 As with glad-ness men of old Did the guid-ing star be-hold;  
2 As with joy-ful steps they sped To that low-ly man-ger-bed;  
3 As they of-fer'd gifts most rare At that man-ger rude and bare;

As with joy they hailed its light, Lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright;  
There to bend the knee be-fore Him whom heav'n and earth a-dore;  
So may we with ho-ly joy, Pure and free from sin's al-loy,

So, most gra-cious Lord, may we Ev-er-more be led to thee.  
So may we with will-ing feet Ev-er seek the mer-cy-seat.  
All our cost-liest treasures bring, Christ! to thee, our heav'n-ly King. A-men.

4 Holy Jesus! every day  
Keep us in the narrow way;  
And, when earthly things are past,  
Bring our ransomed souls at last  
Where they need no star to guide,  
Where no clouds thy glory hide.

5 In the heav'nly country bright,  
Need they no created light;  
Thou its light, its joy, its crown,  
Thou its sun which goes not down:  
There for ever may we sing  
Alleluias to our King. Amen.

WILLIAM CHATTERTON DIX, 1860

### **Collect for Purity (kneel)**

Priest: Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

### **Summary of the Law**

Priest: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith. Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

### **Kyrie Eleison**

Priest: Lord, have mercy upon us.

All Christ, have mercy upon us.

Priest Lord, have mercy upon us.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with thy spirit.

Priest: Let us pray.

### **THE COLLECT**

#### **The Collect**

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the river Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people who call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **ISAIAH 42:1-9**

<sup>1</sup>Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him, he will bring forth justice to the nations. <sup>2</sup>He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; <sup>3</sup>a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. <sup>4</sup>He will not fail or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law. <sup>5</sup>Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and

stretched them out, who spread forth the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: <sup>6</sup>"I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, <sup>7</sup>to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. <sup>8</sup>I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to graven images. <sup>9</sup>Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them."

**PSALM 89:21-30**

<sup>21</sup> I have found | David· my servant;  
\* with my holy oil have | I anointed him.

<sup>22</sup> My hand shall | hold him fast,  
\* and my | arm shall strengthen him.

<sup>23</sup> The enemy shall not be able to | do him  
violence; \* the son of | wicked·ness shall not hurt him.

<sup>24</sup> I will smite down his foes be- | -fore his face, \* and | **plague** them that hate him.

<sup>25</sup> My truth also and my mercy | shall be with him; \* and in my Name shall his  
| **horn** be exalted.

<sup>26</sup> I will set his dominion also | in the sea, \* and his | right hand in the floods.

<sup>27</sup> He shall call me, Thou | art my Father, \* my God, | and my strong salvation.

<sup>28</sup> And I will make | him my firstborn, \* higher than the | **kings** of the earth.

<sup>29</sup> My mercy will I keep for him for | evermore, \* and my covenant shall | **stand**  
**fast** with him.

<sup>30</sup> His seed also will I make to en- | -dure for ever, \* and his throne | as the days of  
heaven.

**ACTS 10:34-38**

<sup>34</sup>And Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I perceive that God shows no partiality,  
<sup>35</sup>but in every nation any one who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>You know the word which he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace by Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), <sup>37</sup>the word which was proclaimed throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism which John preached: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

**613**                      **A**                      **E. G. MONK**



## **LUKE 3:15-16, 21-22**

*Response: Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

<sup>15</sup>As the people were in expectation, and all men questioned in their hearts concerning John, whether perhaps he were the Christ, <sup>16</sup>John answered them all, "I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. <sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form, as a dove, and a voice came from heaven, "Thou art my beloved Son; with thee I am well pleased."

*Response: Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

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## **NICENE CREED**

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God: Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spoke by the Prophets: And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. **AMEN.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **ANNIVERSARY PRAYER (OPTIONAL)**

### **BIRTHDAY PRAYER (OPTIONAL)**

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be, keeping them unspotted from the world. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**SERMON HYMN ((HYMN AT 11:00 ONLY))**

**48**

**87. 87**

**STUTTGART**

Adapted from a melody by  
C. F. WITT, Gotha, 1715

*Majestically*

1 Earth has ma - ny a no - ble ci - ty; Beth - l'hem, thou dost all ex - cel:  
2 Fair - er than the sun at morn - ing Was the star that told his birth,  
3 East - ern sa - ges at his cra - dle Make ob - la - tions rich and rare;

Out of thee the Lord from hea - ven Came to rule his Is - ra - el.  
To the world its God an - nounc - ing Seen in flesh - ly form on earth.  
See them give, in deep de - vo - tion, Gold, and frank - in - cense, and myrrh. A - men.

4 Sacred gifts of mystic meaning:  
Incense doth their God disclose,  
Gold the King of kings proclaimeth,  
Myrrh his sepulcher foreshows.

5 Jesus, whom the Gentiles worshipped  
At thy glad epiphany,  
Unto thee, with God the Father  
And the Spirit, glory be. Amen.

AURELIUS CLEMENS PRUDENTIUS, 348-413; Tr. EDWARD CASWALL, *alt.*

**Sermon**

**Offertory Sentence**



## **Offertory**

### Offertory Anthem **Saw You Never in the Twilight**

Welsh lullaby, "Sup Gan"

Words by Cecil Frances Alexander arranged by Todd Marchand

Saw you never in the twilight, when the sun had left the skies, up in heav'n the dear star shining, through the gloom, like silver eyes? So of old, the Wise Men watching, saw a little stranger star, and they knew the King was given, and they followed it from far.

Heard you never of the story how they crossed the desert wild, journey'd on by plain and mountain, till they found the holy Child? How they open'd all their treasures kneeling to that infant King; Gave the gold and fragrant incense, gave the myrrh in offering?

Know ye not that lowly baby was the bright and morning star? He who came to light the Gentiles, and the darken'd isles afar? And, we too, may seek his cradle; there our hearts' best treasures bring; Love, and faith, and true devotion for our Savior, God and King.

## **Doxology and America (at 11:00)**

### **Prayer for Christ's Church (kneel)**

Priest: Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church.

Almighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our [alms and] oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also, so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian Rulers, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service, and to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

All: Amen.

### **Exhortation**

Priest: Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

### **General Confession**

All: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Absolution**

Priest: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

## **Comfortable Words**

Priest: Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. [St. Matt xi. 28.]

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everliving life. [St. John iii, 16.]

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. [I Tim. i. 15.]

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the Propitiation for our sins. [I. St. John ii. 1, 2.]

## **Sursum Corda**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

All: It is meet and right so to do.

Priest: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

Proper preface

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying.

All: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory; Glory be to thee, O Lord most High; Blessed is he who cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.

## **Prayer of Consecration**

Priest: All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again: For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he

brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise, after supper, he took the Cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy Divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him. And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

All: Amen.

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Priest: And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say.

All: 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.

## **Prayer of Humble Access**

All: We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

## **Angus Dei**

Priest: O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

All: have mercy upon us.

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All: have mercy upon us.

Priest: O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

All grant us thy peace.

## **Spiritual Communion Prayer (at 9:30 only)**

In union, dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of thy church where thy blessed body and blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer thee praise and thanksgiving. I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to com spiritually into my heart. I unit myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

Come Lord Jesus, dwell in thy servant in the fullness of thy strength, in the perfection of thy ways, and in the holiness of thy spirit, and rule over every hostile power in thy might of thy Spirit, and to the glory of thy Father. Amen.

May the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my body and soul unto everlasting life. Amen.

## **Communion of the People**

### **Post-Communion Prayer (kneel)**

Priest: Let us pray.

All: Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy

fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

### **Gloria in Excelsis**

GLORY be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### **Benediction (kneel)**

Priest: The Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

**Recessional (stand, hymn at 11:00 service only)**

**46** *First Tune*

**Epiphany**

11 10. 11 10

MORNING STAR

JAMES P. HARDING, 1892

*With movement*

1 Bright-est and best of the sons of the morn - ing, Dawn on our  
2 Cold on his cra - dle the dew - drops are shin - ing, Low lies his  
3 Shall we then yield him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion, O - dors of

dark - ness, and lend us thine aid; Star of the east, the ho -  
head with the beasts of the stall; An - gels a - dore him in  
E - dom, and of - f'ring di - vine, Gems of the moun - tain, and

ri - zon a - dorn - ing, Guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.  
slum - ber re - clin - ing, Ma - ker and Mon - arch and Sa - viour of all.  
pearls of the o - cean, Myrrh from the for - est, and gold from the mine ?

4 Vainly we offer each ample oblation,  
Vainly with gifts would his favor secure;  
Richer by far is the heart's adoration,  
Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

5 Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,  
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;  
Star of the east, the horizon adorning,  
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

REGINALD HEBER, 1811, *alt.*

**Closing Prayer** Response: Thanks be to God.