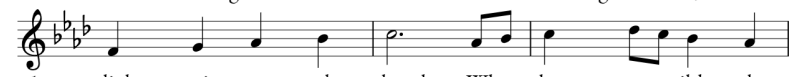


COMMUNION HYMN

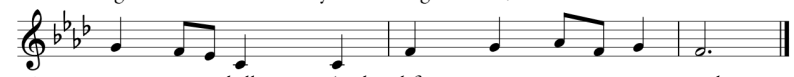
THE KING SHALL COME WHEN MORNING DAWNS



1. The King shall come when morn - ing dawns, And
2. Not as of old a lit - tle child To
3. The King shall come when morn - ing dawns, And
4. And let the end - less bliss be - gin, By
5. The King shall come when morn - ing dawns, And



1. light tri - um - phant breaks; When beau - ty gilds the
2. bear, and fight, and die, But crowned with glo - ry
3. earth's dark night is past; O haste the ris - ing
4. wea - ry saints fore - told, When right shall tri - umph
5. light and beau - ty brings: Hail, Christ the Lord! Your



1. east - ern hills, And life to joy a - wakes.
2. like the sun That lights the morn - ing sky.
3. of that morn: That day shall ev - er last.
4. o - ver wrong, And truth shall be ex - tolled.
5. peo - ple pray, Come quick - ly, King of kings.

Please Stand

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in the battle, be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray: and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

O COME, DIVINE MESSIAH



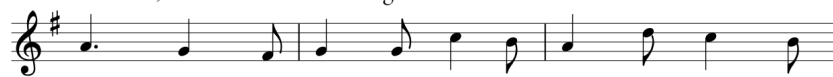
1. O come, Di - vine Mes - si - ah, The
2. O you, whom na - tions sigh for, Whom



1. world in si - lence waits the day When hope shall sing its
2. priest and proph-et long fore - told, Will break the cap - tive



1. tri-umph, And sad - ness flee a - way. Dear Sav - ior, haste!
2. fet - ters, Re - deem the long - lost fold.



Come, come to earth. Dis - pel the night and show your



face, And bid us hail the dawn of grace. O come, Di - vine Mes



si - ah, The world in si - lence waits the day When



hope shall sing its tri - umph, And sad - ness flee a - way.

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December 24th 2023 Fourth Sunday of Advent

Welcome to St. Nicholas!

Please help us to preserve the sanctity of this time and space by maintaining a reverent **silence** before and after the liturgy.



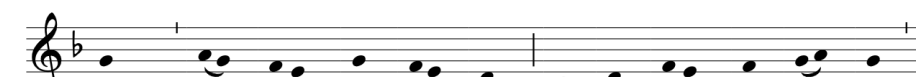
Please Stand

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Is 45: 8



Drop down dew from a - bove, you heav - ens, and let the



clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be o - pened



and bring forth a Sav - ior.

1. The heavens declare the glory of God; *
and the firmament proclaims the work of *his hands*.

D. Glory be to the Father, and to *the Son*, *
and to the *Holy Spirit*.

Day unto day breathes forth *a word*; *
and night unto night imparts *the knowledge*.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever *shall be*, *
world without end. *Amen*.

2. No speech, no word, whose voice goes unheeded; †
their sound goes forth through all *the earth*, *
their message to the utmost bounds of *the world*.

Please Stand

GREETING *Rx*: And with your Spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (*while striking ones chest 3x*) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God

KYRIE *Rx*: *Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison*

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7: 1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

“I will give you rest..”

Responsorial: *Ps 89*



For ev - er I will sing the good - ness of the Lord.

Second Reading: Romans 16: 25-27

“..through Jesus Christ be glory forever and ever.”

Please Sit

Please Sit

Please Stand

Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

℣: Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.
May it be done to me according to your word. Lk 1: 38

Gospel Luke 1: 26-38

“Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you.”

Please Sit

HOMILY

Please Stand

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
(bow) *and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

℣: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Please Sit

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR Lk 1: 28, 42

Hail, Mar - y, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Bless - ed are you a - mong wom - en and bless - ed is the
fruit of your womb.

- Mary said to the angel, *
“How can this be, since I *am a virgin?*”
- And the angel said to her, †
“The Holy Spirit will come upon **you**, *
and the power of the Most High will *overshadow* you.
Therefore the child to be born will be called **holy**, *
the *Son of God*.

Please Stand

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Please Stand

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav - en and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est.

Please Kneel

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Priest: The Mystery of Faith

Save us, Sav - ior of the world, for by your
Cross and Res - ur - rec - tion you have set us free.

GREAT AMEN

Please Stand

THE LORD'S PRAYER + SIGN OF PEACE

AGNUS DEI

A - gnus De - i, * qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis. (2X)
A - gnus De - i, * qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Please Kneel

At the Conclusion of Lamb of God please kneel

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Be - hold, a Vir - gin shall con - ceive and bear a son and his name will be called Em - ma - nu - el.

After Receiving communion, Please Kneel or sit

COMMUNION HYMN

- O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.

Refrain:
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL

- O come, Desire of nations, bind
In one the hearts of all mankind;
Bid thou our sad divisions cease,
And be thyself our King of Peace.