

SUNDAY OF  
The Epiphany

*11 a.m. January 3, 2021*



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BAPTIST CHURCH

# ♦ The Gathering ♦

## OPENING SENTENCE

*Malachi 1:11*

**F**ROM THE RISING of the sun even unto the going down of the same my Name shall be great among the Gentiles, and in every place incense shall be offered unto my Name, and a pure offering: for my Name shall be great among the heathen, saith the Lord of hosts.

## PROCESSIONAL

### THE FIRST NOEL

*English Carol*

1. The first no - el the an - gel did say Was to cer - tain poor  
 2. They look - ed up and saw a star Shin - ing in the  
 3. And by the light of that same star, Three wise men  
 4. This star drew nigh to the north - west, O'er Beth - le -  
 5. Then en - tered in those wise men three, Full rev - 'rent -  
 6. Then let us all with one ac - cord Sing prais - es

shepherds in fields as they lay - In fields where they lay keep - ing their  
 east, be - yond them far; And to the earth it gave great  
 came from coun - try far; To seek for a king was their in -  
 hem it took its rest; And there it did both stop and  
 ly up - on their knee, And of - fered there, in His pres -  
 to our heav'n - ly Lord, That hath made heav'n and earth of

sheep, On a cold win - ter's night that was so deep.  
 light, And so it con - tin - ued both day and night.  
 tent, And to fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went.  
 stay, Right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay. No - el, no -  
 ence, Their gold and myrrh and frank - in - cense.  
 naught, And with His blood man - kind hath bought.

el! No - el, no - el! Born is the King of Is - ra - el!

## ACCLAMATION AND PRAYER FOR PURITY

*cf. Isaiah 49:6*

*Leader* I will give thee for a light to the Gentiles,  
**All** that thou mayest be my salvation  
 unto the end of the earth.

*Leader* The Lord hath manifested forth his glory:  
**All** O come, let us adore him.

# HYMN OF PRAISE

# JOY HAS DAWNED

Getty & Townsend

1. Joy has dawned up - on the world, pro - mised from cre - a - tion -  
 2. Sounds of won - der fill the sky with the songs of an - gels,  
 3. Shep - herds bow be - fore the Lamb, gaz - ing at the glo - ry;  
 4. Son of A - dam, Son of Heav'n, gi - ven as a ran - som;

God's sal - va - tion now un - furled, hope for ev - 'ry na - tion.  
 as the might - y Prince of Life shel - ters in a sta - ble.  
 Gifts of men from dis - tant lands pro - phe - sy the sto - ry.  
 Re - con - cil - ing God and man, Christ, our might - y cham - pion!

Not with fan - fares from a - bove, not with scenes of glo - ry;  
 Hands that set each star in place, shaped the earth in dark - ness,  
 Gold - a King is born to - day, In - cense - God is with us,  
 What a Sa - vior! What a Friend! What a glo - rious mys - t'ry!

But a hum - ble gift of love - Je - sus born of Ma - ry.  
 cling now to a moth - er's breast, vul - n'ra - ble and help - less.  
 Myrrh - His death will make a way and by His blood He'll win us.  
 Once a babe in Beth - le - hem, Now the Lord of his - t'ry.

## OPENING PRAYER

### ✦ The Service of the Word ✦

#### OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 60:1-6

**A**RISE, SHINE: for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee. <sup>2</sup> For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. <sup>3</sup> And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. <sup>4</sup> Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side. <sup>5</sup> Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee. <sup>6</sup> The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; all they from Sheba shall come: they shall bring gold and incense; and they shall shew forth the praises of the LORD.

CAROL

IN THE BLEAK MIDWINTER

Georgina<sup>ii</sup>

*In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan, earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;  
Snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow, in the bleak midwinter, long, long ago.*

*Our God, heaven cannot hold him, nor earth sustain;  
heaven and earth shall flee away when He comes to reign.*

*In the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed the Lord Almighty, Jesus Christ.*

*Angels and archangels may have gathered there, cherubim and seraphim thronged the air;  
but His mother only in her maiden bliss worshipped the Beloved, worshipped with a kiss.*

*What can I give Him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;  
if I were a wise man, I would do my part; yet what I can I give Him: give Him my heart.*

THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 3:2-3b, 5-6

**I**F YOU HAVE HEARD of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward: <sup>3</sup>How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; <sup>5</sup>Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; <sup>6</sup>That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel.

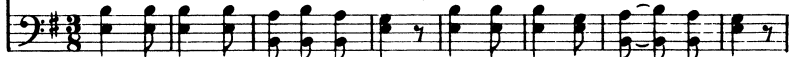
GOSPEL CAROL

WE THREE KINGS

John Hopkins



1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are, Bear - ing gifts we trav - erse a - far,
2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, Gold I bring to crown Him a - gain,
3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I, In - cense owns a De - i - ty nigh;
4. Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume Breathes a life of gath - er - ing gloom;
5. Glo - rious now be - hold Him a - rise, King and God and Sac - ri - fice;



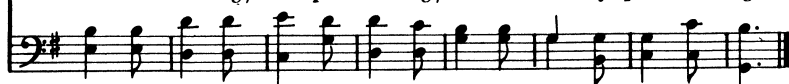
Field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, Fol - low - ing yon - der star.  
King for - ev - er, ceas - ing nev - er O - ver us all to reign.  
Prayer and prais - ing, all men rais - ing, Wor - ship Him, God on high.  
Sorrow - ing, sigh - ing, bleed - ing, dy - ing, Sealed in the stone cold tomb.  
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Peals thru the earth and skies.



o star of won - der, star of night, Star with loy - al beau - ty bright,



West - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to thy per - fect light.



# HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 2:1-12

**N**ow when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup> Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. <sup>3</sup> When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. <sup>4</sup> And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. <sup>5</sup> And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, <sup>6</sup> And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. <sup>7</sup> Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. <sup>8</sup> And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. <sup>9</sup> When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. <sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. <sup>11</sup> And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh. <sup>12</sup> And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

# SERMON

Brother Joseph Payton

# HYMN OF RENEWAL

JUST AS I AM

Elliott/ Bradbury



1. Just as I am, with-out one plea, But that Thy blood was shed for me,  
 2. Just as I am, and wait-ing not To rid my soul of one dark blot,  
 3. Just as I am, tho' tossed a-bout With many a con-flict, many a doubt,  
 4. Just as I am—poor, wretch-ed, blind; Sight, rich-es, heal-ing of the mind,  
 5. Just as I am—Thou wilt re-ceive, Wilt wel-come, par-don, cleanse, re-lieve,

And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!  
 To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!  
 Fight-ings and fears with-in, with-out, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!  
 Yea, all I need in Thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!  
 Be-cause Thy prom-ise I be-lieve, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*For the Church; the nation; the world; the community; the suffering; the lost; the bereaved*

# EPIPHANY BLESSING

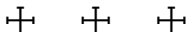
1. We've a sto - ry to tell to the na - tions That shall turn their  
 2. We've a song to be sung to the na - tions That shall lift their  
 3. We've a mes - sage to give to the na - tions - That the Lord who  
 4. We've a Sav - ior to show to the na - tions Who the path of

hearts to the right, A sto - ry of truth and mer - cy, A  
 hearts to the Lord, A song that shall con - quer e - vil, And  
 reign - eth a - bove Hath sent us His Son to save us And  
 sor - row hath trod, That all of the world's great peo - ples Might

sto - ry of peace and light, A sto - ry of peace and light.  
 shat - ter the spear and sword, And shat - ter the spear and sword.  
 show us that God is love, And show us that God is love.  
 come to the truth of God, Might come to the truth of God.

For the dark - ness shall turn to dawn - ing, And the dawn - ing to noon - day bright,

And Christ's great king - dom shall come to earth, The king - dom of love and light.



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