



St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

121 High Street, Mt Holly, NJ

The Epiphany

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Prelude *Prelude on the Introit to the Epiphany*

Maurice Durufle'

Announcements

Processional *We three kings of Orient are*

Hymnal 128

Opening Acclamation

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The Collect of Purity

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Gloria

Hymnal S 278

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also, with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray

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.**

Please be seated for the Readings and Psalm

A Reading from the prophet Isaiah 60th chapter beginning with the 1st verse

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.

Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.

Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 72:1-7,10-14



- 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 op/pressor.



- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and / moon endure,*
from one generation / to an/other.
- 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.
- 10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay / tribute,*
and the kings of Arabia and / Saba / offer gifts.
- 11 All kings shall bow down be/fore him,*
and all the nations / do him / service.
- 12 For he shall deliver the poor who cries out / in distress,*
and the oppressed who / has no / helper.
- 13 He shall have pity on the lowly and / poor;*
he shall preserve the lives / of the / needy.
- 14 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and / violence,*
and dear shall their / blood be / in his sight.

A Reading from the letter to the Ephesians 3rd chapter, beginning with the 1st verse

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles-- for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.

This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Stand as you are able for the proclamation of the Gospel

Priest: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to *Matthew 2:1-12*

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

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.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

Sermon

The Rev'd Andrew Hanyzewski

Stand as you are able

Nicene Creed

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM III

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Celebrant: *Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;*

PEOPLE: That we all may be one.

Celebrant: *Grant that every member of the Church may truly and*

humbly serve you;

PEOPLE: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Celebrant: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons especially Stephen, filling the seat of the Archbishop of Canterbury until a new one is chosen, Sean our presiding Bishop, Sally our Bishop, Andrew our Rector;

PEOPLE: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Celebrant: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world especially Joe our President, Donald our president-elect and Phil our Governor;

PEOPLE That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Celebrant: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

PEOPLE: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Celebrant:: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble especially;

PEOPLE: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Celebrant: Give to the departed eternal rest, especially those who have died in the wars in Ukraine, Sudan, Israel and Gaza, and those who die from gun violence in our Country daily.

PEOPLE: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Celebrant: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

PEOPLE: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

The Celebrant then offers a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

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Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The people stand or kneel as they are able

Peace

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

People: And also with you.

Offertory

Hymnal

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sanctus **Hymnal S128**

The Breaking of the Bread **BCP p. 364**

Fraction **Hymnal S152**

Agnus Dei **Hymnal S165**

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Please come to the communion rail at the direction of our ushers. Please let the ushers know if you need communion brought to you.

Communion Hymn *Earth hath many a noble city* **Hymnal 127**

Choir Anthem *As with gladness, men of old*

After Communion, the Celebrant says,

Let us pray

Post Communion Prayer **BCP p. 366**

Epiphany Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord. **Amen.**

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out the Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth. **Amen.**

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast of Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn *How bright appears the Morning Star* **Hymnal 497**

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God

Postlude Improvisation on How bright appears the Morning