

Agenda:

1/4/2026 (The Epiphany of the Lord – Year A)

Entrance: First Noel, The (Bb) (M #259)

Gloria: Glory to God (Mass of St. Joseph) (Bb)

Responsorial Psalm: Response (The Epiphany of the Lord) (C)

Gospel Acclamation: Gospel Acclamation (The Epiphany of the Lord) (D)

Offertory: We Three Kings (Cm) (M #278)

Holy, Holy: Holy, Holy (Mass of St. Joseph) (Bb)

Memorial Acclamation: When We Eat (Mass of St. Joseph) (Bb)

Amen: Amen (Heritage Mass) (Bb)

Lamb of God: Lamb of God (Mass of St. Joseph) (Bb)

Communion: Away in a Manger (C) (Sheet)

Communion: What Child Is This? (Dm) (M #280)

Communion: By the Star (D) (Sheet)

Recessional: O Come, All Ye Faithful (D) (M #200)

The First Noel

VERSES

1. The first No - el the an - gels did say,
2. They look - ed up and saw a star
3. And by the light of that same star,
4. This star drew nigh to the north - west,
5. Then en - tered in those wise men three
6. Then let us all with one ac - cord

A musical staff in 6/8 time with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The staff contains six notes. Above the staff, the notes are labeled with their corresponding musical names: E♭, B♭, E♭, F, and B♭. The first note is a dotted half note, the second is a quarter note, the third is a dotted half note, the fourth is a quarter note, the fifth is a dotted half note, and the sixth is a quarter note.

1. Was to cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay,
2. Shin - ing in____ the east____ be - yond____ them far,
3. Three____ wise____ men came____ from coun - try far,
4. O'er____ Beth - le - hem____ it took____ its rest,
5. Full____ rev - 'rent - ly____ up - on____ the knee,
6. Sing____ prais - es to____ our heav'n - ly Lord;

1. In fields where they lay keep-ing their sheep,
2. And to the earth it gave great light,
3. To seek for a King was their in - tent,
4. And there it did both stop and stay
5. And of - fered there in his pres - ence
6. That hath made heav'n and earth of nought,

1. On a cold win - ter's night____ that was____ so deep.
2. And so it con - tin - ued both day____ and night.
3. And to fol - low the star____ wher - ev - er it went.
4. Right o - ver the place____ where Je - sus lay.
5. Their gold,____ and myrrh, and frank - in - cense.
6. And with____ his blood____ man - kind____ hath bought.

REFRAIN

21

No - el, _____ No - el, No - el, No - el, _____

26

E \flat B \flat King _____ of Is - ra - el!

The Epiphany of the Lord

Year A Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

RESPONSE

Musical notation for a hymn. The key signature is F major (one sharp). The time signature is 2/4. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: "Lord, ev - 'ry na - tion on earth will a - dore you." The chords are: Fmaj7, Dm7, G, C, Dm, G, C.

VERSES

6 Am G/A

1. O God, with your judgment en - dow the king,
He shall govern your people with justice

2. Justice shall flower in his days,
May he rule from sea to sea,

3. The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts;
All kings shall pay him homage,

4. For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out,
He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor;

Gospel Acclamation

Year A - The Epiphany of the Lord

ACCLAMATION: (No. VI)

Music notation for the Acclamation. The key signature is A major (no sharps or flats). The time signature is common time (indicated by a 'C'). The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. The chords are: D, G, Asus4, A7, D.

VERSE: (Cantor)

Music notation for the Verse. The key signature is A major (no sharps or flats). The time signature is common time (indicated by a 'C'). The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: We saw his star at its rising and have. The chords are: Dsus2, D, Dsus2, Dmaj7, Dsus2, Dmaj7.

Music notation for the Verse continuation. The key signature is A major (no sharps or flats). The time signature is common time (indicated by a 'C'). The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: come to do him honor - age. The chords are: Bm7, Asus4, G, Asus4, A.

We Three Kings

John H. Hopkins, Jr.

VERSES

1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; Bear - ing
 2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, Gold I
 3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; In - cense
 4. Myrrh is mine, its bit - ter per - fume Breathes a
 5. Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King, and

6. gifts, we tra - verse a - far, Field and foun - tain,
 2. bring to crown him a - gain; King for - ev - er,
 3. owns a De - i - ty nigh; Prayer and prais - ing,
 4. life of gath - er - ing gloom; Sor - rowing, sigh - ing,
 5. God, and Sac - ri - fice, Heav'n sings Al - le -

11. moor and moun - tain, Fol - low - ing yon - der star.
 2. ceas - ing nev - er O - ver us all to reign.
 3. all men rais - ing, Wor - ship him, God on high.
 4. bleed - ing, dy - ing, Sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
 5. lu - ia: Al - le - lu - ia the earth re - plies.

REFRAIN

16. Bb Bb7 E \flat Ab E \flat
 O, star of won - der, star of night,

22. Ab E \flat Cm Bb
 Star with roy - al beau - ty bright, West - ward lead - ing,

28. Ab Bb E \flat Ab E \flat
 still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to thy per - fect light!

Away in a Manger

A musical staff in 3/4 time with a treble clef. It features four measures of music. The first measure is labeled 'C' above the staff. The second measure is labeled 'F' above the staff. The third measure is labeled 'C' above the staff. The fourth measure is labeled 'G7' above the staff. The notes and rests are distributed across the measures to reflect the chords indicated.

1. A - way in a man - ger, no crib for a bed, The lit - tle Lord
2. The cat - tle are low - ing, the ba - by a - wakes, But lit - tle Lord
3. Be near me, Lord Je - sus, I ask thee to stay Close by me for -

1. Je - sus laid down his sweet head; The stars in the sky____ looked
2. Je - sus, no cry - ing he makes; I love thee, Lord Je - sus! Look
3. ev - er, and love me, I pray; Bless all the dear children in

11 F C G7 C Dm G C

1. down where he lay, The lit - tle Lord Je - sus, a - sleep on the hay.
2. down from the sky, And stay by my cra - dle till morn-ing is nigh.
3. thy ten - der care, And fit us for heav-en to live with thee there.

What Child Is This?

William C. Dix

1. What Child is this, who, laid to rest, On Ma-ry's lap is
 2. Why lies he in such mean es-tate Where ox and ass are
 3. So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, Come, peas-ant, king, to

1. sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, While
 2. feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear, for sin - ners here The
 3. own him; The King of kings sal - va - tion bring, Let

1. shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is
 2. si - lent Word is plead - ing. Nails, spear, shall
 3. lov - ing hearts en - throne him. Raise, raise the

1. Christ the King, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing!
 2. pierce him through, The cross be borne, for me, for you:
 3. song on high, The Vir - gin sings her lul - la - by:

1. Haste, haste to bring him laud, The Babe, the Son of Ma - ry!
 2. Hail, hail, the Word made flesh, The Babe, the Son of Ma - ry!
 3. Joy, joy, for Christ is born, The Babe, the Son of Ma - ry!

By the Star

Janet Vogt

REFRAIN *Gently (♩ = 96 - 98)*

D F♯m G A G D

By the star in the night I will fol-low my Lord. I will seek and I know I will

5 Em A G A F♯m Bm Em F♯m

find, for the star shin-ing bright lights the way through the night. Gen-tle star shin-ing

9 G F♯m Em G D G D **To Verses**
Fine

bright, lead me home by the love of God's light.

VERSES

13 G D Em Bm Em D

1. God, in his mer - cy and in - fi-nite love, sent forth a light in the

2. Shep-herds a - bid - ing their flocks by night looked to the heav - en - ly

3. O star of Beth - le-hem, O star of night, bless - ed and won - der-ful

16 G Em F♯m G Bm

1. night. Shin - ing from hea - ven to bid all to come to

2. light. An - gels cried out that a child has been born, a

3. sight; shin - ing so bright - ly for all to see the

19 Em D Em Asus4 **D.C. al**
Fine

1. wor - ship the ba - by, Ma - ry's lit - tle son.

2. child known as Je - sus, who is Christ the Lord.

3. love of our Lord for e - ter - ni - ty.

O Come, All Ye Faithful

VERSES

1. O come, all ye faithful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant; O
2. God of God, Light from Light,
3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion;
4. Yea, Lord we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing,

5. come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem.
2. Lo! he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb:
3. Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav - en a - bove!
4. Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n;

9. Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
2. Ve - ry God, be - got - ten, not cre - a - ted;
3. Glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est;
4. Word of the Fa - ther, Now in flesh ap - pear - ing;

REFRAIN

13. O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a -

17. dore him, O come, let us a - dore him Christ, the Lord.