

Christmas 30th December

Morning Prayer

Introit of Christmas

Response

The Lord said to me: You are my son;
I have be - got - ten you, be - got - ten you this day.

Verse

God speaks to the earth, the word speeds forth.
God speaks his word to Ja - cob, to Is - ra - el his laws and de - crees.

Let us pray

We pray for peace in the Holy Land, in Syria and Iraq,
Yemen and the Sudan,
And in all the countries where people's lives are threatened
or taken from them by violence and war.
We pray for refugees,
and for a change of heart in those who use violence.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

O God, come to our aid: O Lord, make haste to help us
Glory to the Father

Psalm 95

To - day a Sa - viour has been born to us;
he is Christ the Lord. he is Christ the Lord.

choir double organ here

Verse 1
O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord, all the earth. O
sing to the Lord, bless his name. O sing a new song to the Lord.

Verse 2
Pro- claim his help day by day, tell a - mong the na - tions his glo - ry, his
won - ders a - mong the peo - ples. O sing a new song to the Lord.

Father, all-powerful and unseen God,
you dispelled the shadows of this world
when Christ, the true Light, dawned upon us.
Look with kindness upon us, Lord,
as we glorify his birth as man.
He lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

We pause for a short time of private prayer then continue with the Gloria

Glory to God

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

To welcome the Gospel we sing

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

I bring you news of great joy, today a Saviour has been born to us;
Christ the Lord, Christ the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Intercessions

God in his compassion sent us Christ, the prince of peace.

Give peace to people of good will.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
in this season the Church celebrates your saving love:

Give peace to people of good will.

From the very beginning, you promised salvation:
grant that the whole human family may welcome the Gospel.

Give peace to people of good will.

We acclaim your Son. Abraham joyfully foresaw his coming;
the patriarchs hoped for it;
the prophets announced it
and the people longed for it.

Give peace to people of good will.

Your Son's birth was proclaimed by the angels in heaven.
From age to age the Apostles and martyrs and all the faithful
join in praise with them: **Give peace to people of good will.**

Carol

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head. The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, but little Lord Jesus no crying he makes. I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky, and stand by my side until morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay close by me forever, and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear children in thy tender care, and fit us for heaven, to live with thee there.

Jubilee Sanctus Memorial Agnus Dei

Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those, blessed are those,
blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

After communion

God swore his oath to Abraham and Sarah,
to give us all our freedom from all fear;
to save each one from those who seek to harm them,
that we might serve in holiness of life,
that we might serve in justice and in truth,
our ev'ry day in presence of the Lord.

May the Lord bless us, and keep us from all harm
and may he lead us to eternal life.

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