

**Morning Prayer, Rite II**  
**January 1, 2023**  
**“The Holy Name”**



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**Gathering Music and Prelude**

Lorraine Yamamoto

**Opening Hymn #450 (v.1-3,6) “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”**

*Please join in the singing!*

**The Opening Sentences**

Lila Johnson, Officiant

**The Invitatory and Psalter**

**The Book of Common Prayer, p. 80**

**The Venite *in unison***

**The Book of Common Prayer, p. 82**

**Psalm 8** *The congregation may be seated. We will read the psalm responsively; the reader will begin with the odd-numbered verses.*

1 O Lord our Governor,  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

2 Out of the mouths of infants and children  
your majesty is praised above the heavens.

3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries,  
to quell the enemy and the avenger.

4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

5 What is man that you should be mindful of him?  
the son of man that you should seek him out?

6 You have made him but little lower than the angels;  
you adorn him with glory and honor;

7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands;  
you put all things under his feet:

8 All sheep and oxen,  
even the wild beasts of the field,

9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea,  
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

10 O Lord our Governor,  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

**The First Reading: Numbers 6:22-27**

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them,

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;  
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.  
So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

## The Second Reading: Galatians 4:4-7

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

## Glory to God/Gloria

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Dm Gm C F Dm Gm C F

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est!  
Glo-ri-a, glo-ri-a, in ex-cel-sis De-o!

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!  
Glo-ri-a, glo-ri-a, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

The musical score is for a Gloria in G major, 8/8 time. It consists of two systems of four measures each. The first system contains the lyrics 'Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est! Glo-ri-a, glo-ri-a, in ex-cel-sis De-o!'. The second system contains the lyrics 'Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Glo-ri-a, glo-ri-a, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!'. The score includes a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. Chord symbols (Dm, Gm, C, F) are written above the vocal line. A measure rest '5' is placed above the first measure of the second system.

## The Third Reading: Luke 2:15-21

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

## Hymn #82 "Of the Father's Love Begotten"

*Please join in the singing!*

Eternal Father, you gave to your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Savior of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

**Intercessions**

**The Prayers of the People (taken from The Church of England's "Times & Seasons")**

*The congregation will please respond to each bidding with the response, "Hear our prayer."*

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

O God, in this holy season, your Son our Saviour was born in human flesh.

Renew your Church as the Body of Christ. Holy God,

**hear our prayer.**

In this holy season, there was no room for your Son in the inn. Protect with your love those who have no home and all who live in poverty. Holy God,

**hear our prayer.**

In this holy season, Mary brought your Son to birth. Hold in your hand all who are in pain or distress. Holy God,

**hear our prayer.**

We pray especially, for those on our parish prayer list:

**Raj & Renu, Eric & Katy, Susan K., Sandy T.A., Deiter, Lora V., John A., Dorie & Agenhart, Ron M., Wayne, Heather, Erwin, John, Todd, Elaine, Tom, Sue, Kate, MTT, Nancy Y., Larry T., Peggy, Kitten & Grace, Teri & Phillip.**

*Silent Pause*

In this holy season, your Christ came as a light shining in the darkness. Bring comfort to those on our parish prayer list and all who suffer in the sadness of our world. Holy God,

**hear our prayer.**

In this holy season, the angels sang, "Peace to God's people on earth."

Strengthen those who work for peace and justice in all the world. Holy God,

**hear our prayer.**

In this holy season, shepherds in the field heard good tidings of joy. Give us grace to preach the gospel of Christ's redemption. Holy God,

**hear our prayer.**

In this holy season, strangers found the Holy Family, and saw the baby lying in the manger. Bless our homes and all whom we love. Holy God,

**hear our prayer.**

In this holy season, heaven is come down to earth, and earth is raised to heaven.

Hold in your hand all those who have passed through death in the hope of your coming kingdom. Holy God,

**hear our prayer.**

In this holy season Christians the world over celebrate Christ's birth.

Open our hearts that he may be born in us today. Holy God,

**hear our prayer.**

O God, in this holy season, angels and shepherds worshiped at the manger throne. Receive the worship we offer in fellowship with Mary, Joseph and the saints through him who is your Word made flesh, our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

**The Offertory Anthem** *The Congregation may be seated.*

Sung by the choir

**“The Noel Carol,”** 15th c. French carol arranged by Mary E. Caldwell.

**The Hawaiian Doxology** *All are welcome to join in the singing.*



**The General Thanksgiving** *in unison*

**The Book of Common Prayer, p. 101**

**A Prayer of St. Chrysostom and Concluding Sentences**

Lila Johnson, Officiant

**Closing Hymn #107 “Good Christian Friends Rejoice”**

*Please join in the singing!*

**The Dismissal**

*Deacon:* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People:* Thanks be to God!

**The Postlude**

Lorraine Yamamoto

*We are delighted that you are worshiping with us today.  
Please join us next Sunday January 8<sup>th</sup> as we celebrate the season of Epiphany  
9am (in person and online)*

