

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

VESPERS

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O God, come to our aid,
O Lord, make haste to help us.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now
and shall be for ever, amen. Alleluia!

HYMN

words and music: Mount St Bernard Abbey

The pride of Rome and Ath - ens
And all the an - cient world
Falls dumb be - fore the glo - ry
That shines on Beth - le - hem

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are printed below each staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across two notes. The first staff ends with a fermata over the final note. The second staff has a fermata over the final note. The third staff ends with a fermata over the final note. The fourth staff ends with a double bar line.

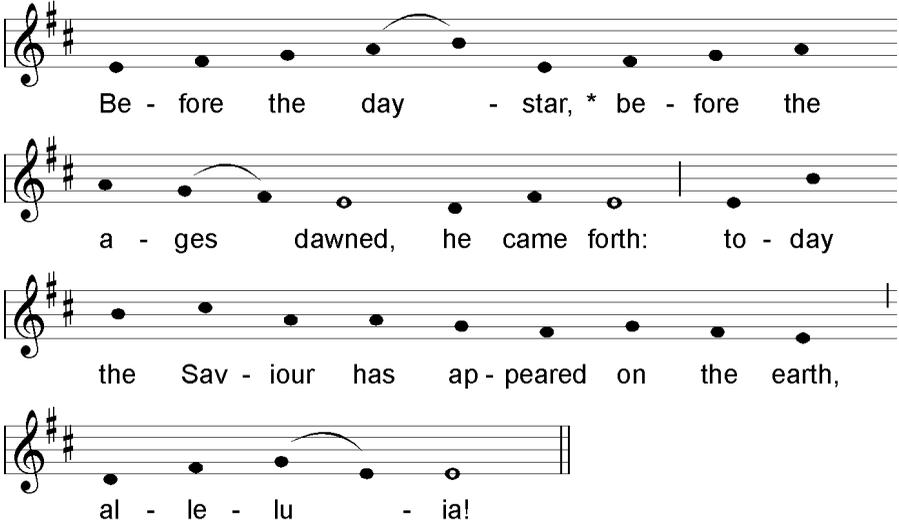
In you is born the Saviour
Who is both God and Man:
A star of wondrous splendour
Is herald of his birth.

The Magi see and follow
To bring their kingly gifts,
And falling down they offer
Their incense, gold and myrrh.

The yellow gold and incense
Proclaim him King and God,
While fragrant myrrh foreshadows
The spices of the tomb.

To Christ be praise and glory
Who stands revealed this day
With Father and the Spirit
Throughout eternity.

ANTIPHON 1



Be - fore the day - star, * be - fore the
a - ges dawned, he came forth: to - day
the Sav - iour has ap - peared on the earth,
al - le - lu - ia!

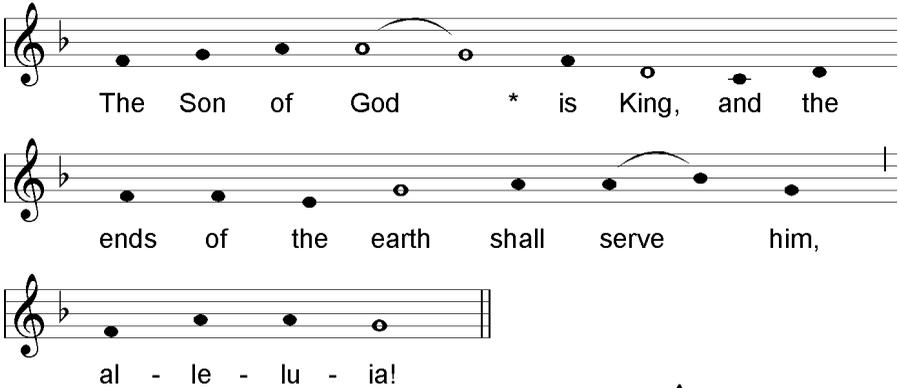


Psalm 109

- (The Lord's revelation to my Master:
'Sit on my right:
your foes I will put beneath your feet.'
 - (The Lord will wield from Zion
your sceptre of power:
rule in the midst of all your foes.
 - (A prince from the day of your birth
on the holy mountains;
from the womb before the dawn I begot you.
 - (The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.
'You are a priest for ever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old.'
- The Master standing at your right hand
will shatter kings in the day of his wrath.
- (He, the Judge of the nations,
will heap high the bodies;
heads shall be shattered far and wide.
- He shall drink from the stream by the wayside
and therefore he shall lift up his head.
- Glory be to the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit,
both now and for ever, amen.

REPEAT ANTIPHON

ANTIPHON 2



The Son of God * is King, and the
ends of the earth shall serve him,
al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one flat). The first staff contains the melody for 'The Son of God * is King, and the'. The second staff continues with 'ends of the earth shall serve him,'. The third staff concludes with 'al - le - lu - ia!'. The notes are: G4, A4, B4, C5 (quarter), D5 (half), E5 (quarter), F5 (quarter), G5 (quarter), A5 (quarter), B5 (quarter), C6 (quarter), B5 (quarter), A5 (quarter), G5 (quarter), F5 (quarter), E5 (quarter), D5 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter).

Psalm 2



Why this tumult among nations,
among peoples this useless murmuring?
They arise, the kings of the earth,
princes plot against the Lord and his Anointed.
'Come, let us break their fetters,
come, let us cast off their yoke.'

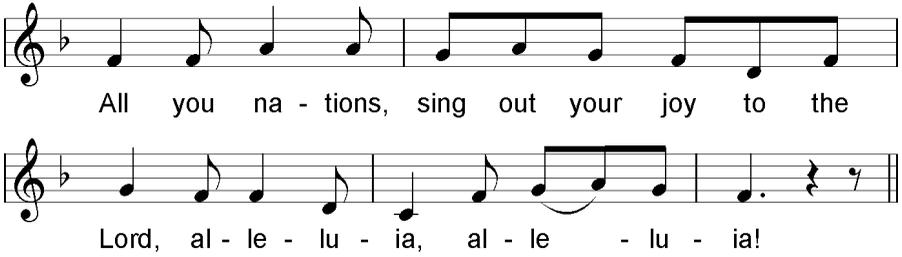
He who sits in the heavens laughs;
the Lord is laughing them to scorn.
Then he will speak in his anger,
his rage will strike them with terror.
'It is I who have set up my king
on Zion, my holy mountain.'

(I will announce the decree of the Lord:
The Lord said to me: 'You are my son.
It is I who have begotten you this day.
Ask and I shall bequeath you the nations,
put the ends of the earth in your possession.
With a rod of iron you will break them,
shatter them like a potter's jar.'

Now, O kings, understand,
take warning, rulers of the earth;
serve the Lord with awe
and trembling, pay him your homage
(lest he be angry and you perish;
for suddenly his anger will blaze.
Blessed are they who put their trust in God.
Glory be to the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit,
both now and for ever, amen.

REPEAT ANTIPHON

ANTIPHON 3



All you na - tions, sing out your joy to the
Lord, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

NT Canticle 14



(I Timothy 3:16, Psalm 116)

He was manifested in the flesh,
vindicated in the Spirit.

Great indeed, we confess,
is the mystery of our religion.

He was seen by angels,
preached among the nations.

O praise the Lord, all you nations,
acclaim him, all you peoples!

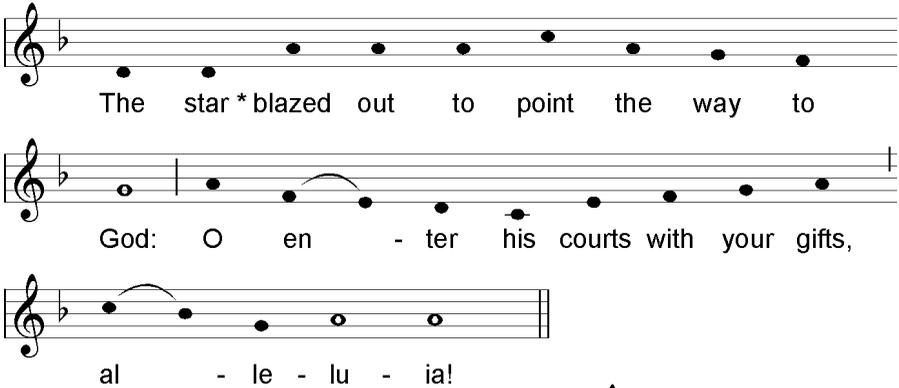
He was believed on in the world,
taken up in glory.

Strong is his love for us,
he is faithful for ever!

Glory be to the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit,
both now and for ever, amen.

REPEAT ANTIPHON

ANTIPHON 4



The star *blazed out to point the way to
God: O en - ter his courts with your gifts,
al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for 'The star *blazed out to point the way to'. The second staff contains the melody for 'God: O en - ter his courts with your gifts,'. The third staff contains the melody for 'al - le - lu - ia!'. The notes are mostly quarter and half notes, with some slurs and a fermata over the final note of the third staff.

Psalm 46



All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,
great king over all the earth.

He subdues peoples under us
and nations under our feet.
Our inheritance, our glory, is from him,
given to Jacob out of love.

God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.
Sing praise for God, sing praise,
sing praise to our king, sing praise.

God is king of all the earth,
Sing praise with all your skill.
God is king over the nations;
God reigns on his holy throne.

The princes of the peoples are assembled
with the people of Abraham's God.
The rulers of the earth belong to God,
to God who reigns over all.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now
and shall be for ever, amen.

REPEAT ANTIPHON

SCRIPTURE READING

RESPONSORY

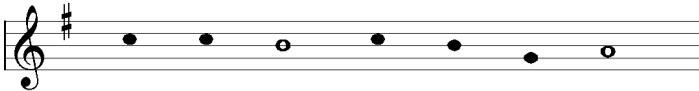


CANTOR: All peo - ples will be blest in him,



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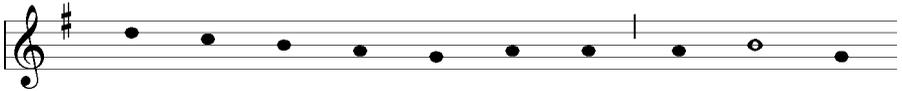
ALL REPEAT



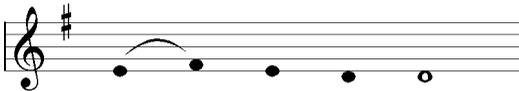
CANTOR: Let his glo - ry fill the earth:



ALL: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



CANTOR: Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, the Son and



Ho - ly Spi - rit:

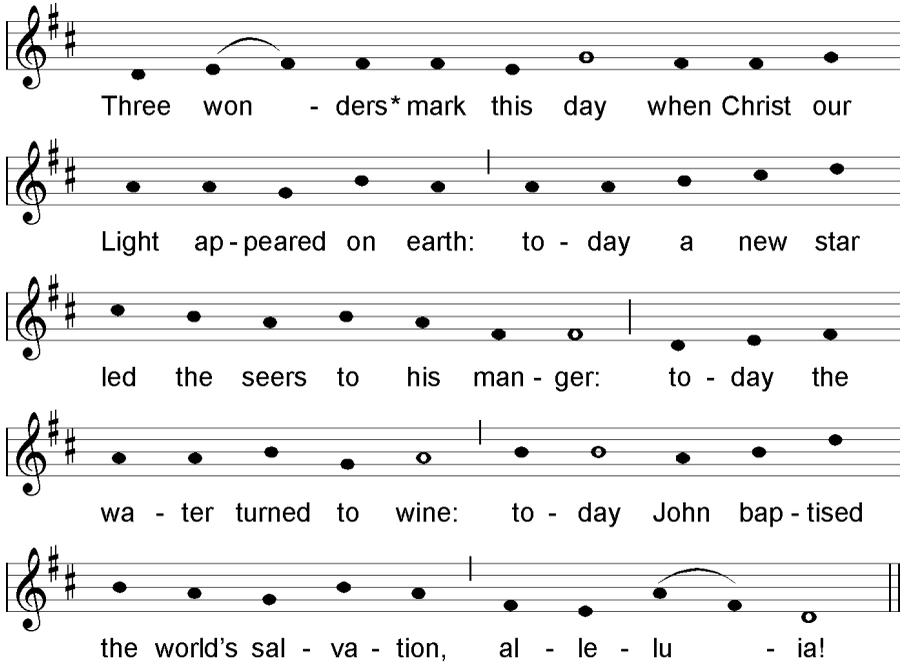


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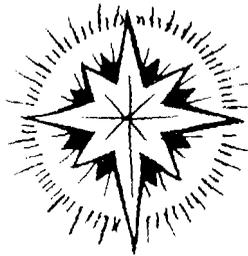
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

MAGNIFICAT ANTIPHON



Three won - ders* mark this day when Christ our
Light ap - peared on earth: to - day a new star
led the seers to his man - ger: to - day the
wa - ter turned to wine: to - day John bap - tised
the world's sal - va - tion, al - le - lu - ia!

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and homophonic, with lyrics placed below the notes. A fermata is placed over the final note of the fifth staff.



MAGNIFICAT

Canticle of Mary

(Luke 1:46–55)



My soul magnifies the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my saviour;
so tenderly has he looked upon his servant,
humble as she is.

For from this day forth
all generations will count me blessed,
so wonderfully has he dealt with me,
the Lord, the mighty one.

His name is holy,
his mercy sure from generation to generation
toward those who fear him;
the deeds of his arm disclose his might.

The arrogant of heart and mind he has put to rout,
torn powers from their thrones but lifted up the humble.
The hungry he has satisfied with good things,
the rich sent empty away.

He has ranged himself on the side of Israel his servant,
firm in his promise to our fathers.
He has not forgotten to show mercy,
to Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now
and shall be for ever, amen.

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REPEAT ANTIPHON

INTERCESSIONS

OUR FATHER *(said by the Superior)*

CONCLUDING PRAYER

LET US BLESS THE LORD
THANKS BE TO GOD

May the divine assistance remain always with us.
And with our absent brothers and sisters. Amen.

