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A Festival of Lessons and Carols For Epiphany

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Prelude: HOW BRIGHT APPEARS THE MORNING STAR
Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Introit: HOW BRIGHT APPEARS THE MORNING STAR
Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608)

Hymn 159 BRIGHTEST AND BEST OF THE SONS (Stella Orientis)

A Bidding Prayer

Carol: CHRISTUS EST STELLA Will Todd (b. 1970)

Christ is the morning star. Alleluia;
Who when the night of this world is past, Alleluia,
Promises and reveals to his saints, Alleluia,
The everlasting light of life. Alleluia.

The Venerable Bede (673-735)

Lesson I (Isaiah 60:1-6) *The Lord will arise as light in the darkness.*

Prayer

Carol: SURGE ILLUMINARE Francesco Corteccia (1504-71)
Arise, shine, Jerusalem, for your light has come, and the glory of the
Lord has risen upon you. (Isaiah 40:1)

Lesson II (Matthew 1:18-25) *The birth of Jesus as told by Matthew.*

Prayer

Carol: HILL-SIDE CAROL Alan Bullard (b. 1947)
We stood on the hills,
Our day's work done,
Watching the frosted meadows
That winter had won.

The evening was calm,
The air so still,
Silence and restful peace
Enfolded the hill.

Collect

Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Hymn 101 HAIL TO THE LORD'S ANOINTED (Crüger)

Postlude: HOW BRIGHT APPEARS THE MORNING STAR
Joseph Ahrens (1904-97)



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Those mighty hands that stay the sky
No earthly toil refuse;
And he who set the stars on high
An humble trade pursues.

He before whom the angels stand,
At whose behest they fly,
Now yields himself to parents' hand,
And lays his glory by.

Jesu, the Virgin's holy Son,
We praise thee and adore,
Who art with God the Father one,
And Spirit evermore.

Lesson VII (Matthew 3:13-17) *John baptises Jesus in the river Jordan.*

Prayer

Hymn 42 CRASHING WATERS AT CREATION (Marching)

Lesson VIII (John 2:1-11) *Jesus' first miracle at the wedding at Cana.*

Prayer

Carol: TRIBUS MIRACULIS Luca Marenzio (1553-99)

We celebrate a day sanctified by three miracles:
today a star led the Wise Men to the manger;
today water was changed into wine at the marriage feast;
today Christ chose to be baptized by John in the
Jordan for our salvation. Alleluia.

Carol: ORIETUR STELLA Jacob Handl (1550-91)

A star shall rise from Jacob, and a man shall spring up out of Israel.
He shall destroy the leaders of alien peoples, and the whole earth
shall be his possession. All the kings of the world shall adore, every
nation shall serve him. (Numbers 24:17)

Lesson IX (1 John 1:1-5) *In God there is no darkness at all.*

Prayer

Offertory Hymn 162 SING OF GOD MADE MANIFEST (Salzburg)

Litany

There was a bright star
That shone in the night,
Larger than Venus it was
And bright, so bright.

A voice from the sky,
To us did say:
God is now born to us
On earth today.

And so we have come,
Our day's work done;
Our love, our hopes, ourselves
We give to your son

Carol: HODIE CHRISTUS NATUS EST Healey Willan (1880-1968)

Today Christ is born, today the saviour appears. Today angels sing
on earth, the archangels rejoice, and the just are glad, saying: Glory
to God in the highest. Alleluia.

Christmas antiphon

Hymn 137 WHAT CHILD IS THIS? (Greensleeves)

Lesson III (Luke 2:8-20) *The shepherds go to the manger.*

Prayer

Carol: SOME CHILDREN SEE HIM Alfred Burt (b. 1920)

Some children see him lily white,
The baby Jesus born this night,
Some children see him lily white,
With tresses soft and fair.
Some children see him bronzed and brown,
The Lord of heaven to earth come down;
Some children see him bronzed and brown,
With dark and heavy hair.

Some children see him almond-eyed,
This saviour whom we kneel beside,
Some children see him almond-eyed,
With skin of yellow hue.

Some children see him dark as they,
Sweet Mary's son to whom we pray;
Some children see him dark as they,
And, ah, they love him too.

The children in each different place
Will see the baby Jesus' face,
Like theirs, but bright with heavenly grace,
And filled with holy light.
O lay aside each earthly thing,
And with thy heart as offering,
Come worship now the infant king.
'Tis love that's born tonight!

Wihla Hutson

Hymn 136 WHILE SHEPHERDS WATCHED (Winchester Old)

Lesson IV (Matthew 2:1-12) *The magi worship the Christ Child.*

Prayer

Carol: THE THREE KINGS Healey Willan (1880-1968)

Who knocks tonight so late? The weary porter said.
Three kings stood at the gate, each with a crown on head.
The serving man bowed down, the inn was full, he knew.
Said he: In all this town is no fit place for you!
A light the manger lit; there lay the mother meek.
Said they: This place is fit; here is the rest we seek.
They loosed their latchet strings, so stood they all unshod.
Come in, ye kings, and kiss the feet of God.

Laurence Housman

Hymn 146 TWAS IN THE MOON OF WINTERTIME (Une Jeune Pucelle)

Lesson V (Matthew 2:13-21) *The Holy Family flees to Egypt for fear of King Herod's rage.*

Prayer

Carol: COVENTRY CAROL English 15th cent.
Arr. Antony Baldwin (b. 1957)

Lully, lullay, thou little tiny child.
By by, lully, lullay.

O sisters too, how may we do
For to preserve this day
This poor youngling, for whom we do sing
By by, lully, lullay?

Herod the king, in his raging,
Charged he hath this day
His men of might, in his own sight
All young children to slay.

That woe is me poor child for thee,
And ever morn and day,
For thy parting neither say nor sing
By by, lully, lullay.

Lesson VI (Luke 2:41-52) *The Boy Jesus in the temple.*

Prayer

Carol: THE BIRDS Richard Shephard (b. 1949)

When Jesus Christ was four years old
The angels brought him toys of gold
Which no one ever had bought or sold.
And yet with these he would not play,
But made him small fowl out of clay,
And blessed them till they flew away.
Tu creasti Domine.

Jesus Christ, thou child so wise,
Bless mine hands and fill mine eyes,
And bring my soul to Paradise.

Hilaire Belloc

Hymn: IN STATURE GROWS (Tallis' Ordinal)

In stature grows the heavenly Child,
With death before his eyes;
A lamb unblemished, meek and mild,
Prepared for sacrifice.

The Son of God his glory hides
With parents mean and poor
And he who made the heaven abides
In dwelling-place obscure.