



St. Peter's Anglican Church  
Loveland, CO

HOLY EUCHARIST  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Christmas*

WELCOME  
IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD  
JESUS CHRIST



January 1, 2023

## *Announcements*

### *Prelude*

#### ***Processional: Good Christian Friends, Rejoice!*** ***- Hymn # 107***

Good Christian friends, rejoice  
With heart and soul and voice;  
Give ye heed to what we say:  
Jesus Christ is born today;  
Ox and ass before him bow,  
And he is in the manger now.  
Christ is born today!

Good Christian friends, rejoice  
With heart and soul and voice;  
Now ye hear of endless bliss;  
Jesus Christ was born for this!  
He hath opened heaven's door,  
And we are blest for evermore.  
Christ was born for this!

Good Christian friends, rejoice  
With heart and soul and voice;  
Now ye need not fear the grave:  
Jesus Christ was born to save!  
Calls you one and calls you all  
To gain his everlasting hall.  
Christ was born to save!

*Celebrant:* For unto us a child is born,

*People:* **Unto us a son is given.**

***All: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

*Deacon/Priest:* Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.  
*- Matthew 22:37-40*

### ***The Kyrie***

*Celebrant:* Lord, have mercy upon us.

*People:* **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

*Celebrant:* Lord, have mercy upon us.

## ***Gloria: Angels We Have Heard On High – H # 96***

Angels we have heard on high,  
Singing sweetly through the night,  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their brave delight.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why these songs of happy cheer?  
What great brightness did you see?  
What glad tidings did you hear?  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him whose birth the angels sing;  
Come, adore on bended knee  
Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And with your spirit.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray:

### ***Collect for the Day***

*Celebrant:* O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.  
***Amen.***

*(The people may sit.)*

### **The First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:7–14**

7 For thus says the Lord: "Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, 'O Lord, save your people, the remnant of Israel.' 8 Behold, I will bring them from the north country and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, the pregnant woman and she who is in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. 9 With weeping they shall come, and with pleas for mercy I will lead them back, I will make them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble, for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. 10 "Hear the word of the Lord, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, 'He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd keeps his flock.' 11 For the Lord has ransomed Jacob and has redeemed him from hands too

strong for him. 12 They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall be like a watered garden, and they shall languish no more. 13 Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy; I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. 14 I will feast the soul of the priests with abundance, and my people shall be satisfied with my goodness, declares the Lord.”

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### The Psalm 84

*Quam dilecta!*

- 1 How lovely are your **dwell-ings**, \*  
O / Lord God **of** hosts!
- 2 My soul has a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the **Lord**; \*  
my heart and my flesh rejoice / in the **liv-ing** God.
- 3 Indeed, the sparrow has found her a house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her **young**, \*  
even your altars, O Lord of hosts, my / King and **my** God.
- 4 Blessed are they who dwell in your **house**; \*  
they will be / al-ways **prais-ing** you.
- 5 Blessed is the one whose strength is in **you**, \*  
in whose / heart are **your** ways,
- 6 Who going through the valley of misery uses it for a **well**;\*  
indeed, the early rains fill the / pools with **wa-ter**.
- 7 They will go from strength to **strength**, \*  
and the God of gods shall be seen by / them in **Zi-on**.
- 8 O Lord God of hosts, hear my **prayer**; \*  
hearken, O / God of **Ja-cob**.
- 9 Behold, O God, our de-**fend-er**, \*  
and look upon the face of / your **A-noint-ed**.
- 10 For one day in your **courts** \*  
is better / than a **thous-and**;
- 11 I would rather be a door-keeper in the house of my **God**\*  
than dwell in the tents / of un-**god-ly**ness.
- 12 For the Lord God is a light and de-**fense**; \*  
the Lord will give grace and honor, and no good thing shall he withhold from those who / live a **god-ly** life.
- 13 O Lord God of **hosts**, \*  
blessed is the one who / puts his **trust** in you.

*All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
And / to the **Ho-ly** Ghost  
As it was in the beginning, is **now**,  
and shall be for-/ever **A-men**.*

### The Second Lesson: Ephesians 1:3–14

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, 4 even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love 5 he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, 6 to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. 7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, 8 which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight 9 making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ 10 as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. 11 In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, 12 so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. 13 In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, 14 who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

### **Hark! The Herald Angels Sing - Hymn # 87 (V. 1, 2)**

Hark! the herald angels sing  
Glory to the newborn King!  
Peace on earth and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!  
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,  
Join the triumph of the skies;  
With the angelic host proclaim  
Christ is born in Bethlehem!  
*Hark! the herald angels sing  
Glory to the newborn King!*  
Christ, by highest heaven adored;  
Christ, the everlasting Lord;  
Late in time behold him come,  
Offspring of the Virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;  
Hail the incarnate Deity.  
Pleased as man with us to dwell;  
Jesus, our Emmanuel!  
*Hark! the herald angels sing  
Glory to the newborn King!*

*Deacon or Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.

**All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Holy Gospel: Matthew 2:1–12**

1 Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, 2 saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.” 3 When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; 4 and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 5 They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: 6 “And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.” 7 Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. 8 And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him.” 9 After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. 10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. 11 And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. 12 And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

*Deacon or Priest:* The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Hark! The Herald Angels Sing - Hymn # 87 (V. 3)**

Mild he lays his glory by,  
Born that we no more may die,  
Born to raise us from the earth,  
Born to give us second birth.  
Risen with healing in his wings,  
Light and life to all he brings,  
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!  
Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!

*Hark! the herald angels sing  
Glory to the newborn King!*

**The Sermon**

*Deacon or Priest:* Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

**All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*(Please kneel, stand, or sit as you are able.)*

**Prayers of the People**

*Deacon or Priest:* Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, “hear our prayer.”

*Intercessor:* For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

*(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)*

*Intercessor:* Lord, in your mercy:

**People: Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* For our Archbishop, Dr. Foley Beach; for our Bishop, Dr. Bill Atwood; for our Rector, Father Matt Rucker, and for our assisting clergy: Father Bill Easterling, and Deacon Larry Doyle.

*(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)*

*Intercessor:* Lord, in your mercy:

**People: Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others including those we serve in our Outreach Programs, naming especially Prodissee Pantry, Zetee Missions, and the Denver Rescue Mission.

*(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)*

*Intercessor:* Lord, in your mercy:

**People: Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

*(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)*

*Intercessor:* Lord, in your mercy:

**People: Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service, especially our President, Joseph, and our Governor, Jared. Give them a discerning heart and a wise mind to lead and serve as God desires. We also pray for those in our armed forces serving our country both home and abroad.

*(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)*

*Intercessor:* Lord, in your mercy:

**People: Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

*(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)*

*Intercessor:* Lord, in your mercy:

**People: Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* For all the blessings of this life and for the many reasons we have to give thanks.

*(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)*

*Intercessor:* Lord, in your mercy:

**People: Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

*(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)*

*Intercessor:* Lord, in your mercy:

**People: Hear our prayer.**

*(Additional petitions may be made during this moment of silence.)*

*Deacon or Priest:* Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*Deacon or Priest:* Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

**All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

### **The Offering**

*“Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God”.*

*Ephesians 5:2*

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

**Offertory: Of the Father's Love Begotten – H # 82**

Of the Father's love begotten,  
Ere the world began to be  
He is Alpha and Omega,  
He the source, the ending He,  
Of the things that are, that have been,  
And that future years shall see,  
Evermore and evermore!

Oh, that birth forever blessed!  
When the virgin, full of grace,  
By the Holy Ghost conceiving,  
Bore the Savior of our race;  
And the Babe, the world's Redeemer,  
First revealed his sacred face  
Evermore and evermore!

O ye heights of heav'n adore Him,  
Angel hosts His praises sing'  
Pow'rs, dominions, bow before Him  
And extol our God and King;  
Let no tongue on earth be silent,  
Ev'ry voice in concert ring  
Evermore and evermore!

Christ, to thee, with God the Father,  
And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee,  
Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving  
And unwearied praises be,  
Honor, glory, and dominion,  
And eternal victory,  
Evermore and evermore!

**The Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*Celebrant:* Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

**People:** **And of your own have we given you.**

*1 Chronicles 29:11, 14*

**The Great Thanksgiving**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And with your spirit.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

**People:** **We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord Our God.

**People:** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant:* It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*(Proper Preface)* Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary his mother, was made truly man, yet without the stain of sin, that we might be cleansed from sin and given the right to become your children.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**The Sanctus – S # 130**

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,  
Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.*

*(The people may kneel, stand, or sit.)*

*Celebrant:* Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation.

By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant:* We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

*Celebrant:* And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
And the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*(Please kneel or stand as you are able.)*

### **Prayer of Humble Access**

**All: We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

### **Agnus Dei – S # 164**

*Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:  
Give us your peace, give us your peace.*

*Celebrant:* The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*(You may kneel, stand, or sit during Communion.)*

### **Communion Hymns**

#### **What Child Is This – Hymn # 115**

What child is this, who, laid to rest,  
On Mary's lap is sleeping?  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,  
While shepherds watch are keeping?

*This, this is Christ the King,  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;  
Haste, haste to bring him laud,  
The babe, the son of Mary.*

Why lies he in such mean estate  
Where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here  
The silent Word is pleading.

*Nails, spear shall pierce Him through,  
The cross be borne for me, for you.  
Hail, hail the Word made flesh,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary.*

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh,  
Come, peasant, king, to own him;  
The King of kings salvation brings,  
Let loving hearts enthrone him.

*Raise, raise a song on high,  
The Virgin sings her lullaby.  
Joy, joy for Christ is born,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary.*

#### **Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming – Hymn # 81**

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming  
From tender stem hath sprung!  
Of Jesse's lineage coming  
As seers of old have sung.  
It came, a blossom bright,  
Amid the cold of winter,  
When half spent was the night.

Isaiah 'twas foretold it,  
The Rose I have in mind,  
With Mary we behold it,  
The Virgin Mother kind.  
To show God's love aright,  
She bore to us a Savior,  
When half spent was the night.

O Flower, whose fragrance tender  
With sweetness fills the air,  
Dispel in glorious splendor  
The darkness everywhere;  
True man, yet very God,  
From sin and death now save us,  
And share our every load.

**Once In Royal David's City – Hymn # 102**

Once in royal David's city  
Stood a lowly cattle shed,  
Where a mother laid her baby  
In a manger for his bed:  
Mary was that mother mild,  
Jesus Christ, her little child.

He came down to earth from heaven  
Who is God and Lord of all,  
And his shelter was a stable,  
And his cradle was a stall;  
With the poor, the scorned, the lowly,  
Lived on earth our Savior holy.

For he is our life-long pattern;  
Daily, when on earth he grew,  
He was tempted, scorned, rejected,  
Tears and smiles like us he knew.  
Thus he feels for all our sadness,  
And he shares in all our gladness.

And our eyes at last shall see him,  
Through his own redeeming love;  
For that child who seemed so helpless  
Is our Lord in heaven above;  
And he leads his children on  
To the place where he is gone.

**Post Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**All: Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs**

**of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.**

***The Blessing***

*Celebrant:* The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

***Recessional: Angels, From The Realms Of Glory***

Angels, from the realms of glory, – **Hymn # 93**  
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
Ye, who sang creation's story,  
Now proclaim Messiah's birth:

*Refrain:*

*Come and worship, come and worship,  
Worship Christ, the newborn King.*

Shepherds in the field abiding,  
Watching o'er your flocks by night,  
God with you is now residing;  
Yonder shines the infant Light: (Refrain)

Sages, leave your contemplations;  
Brighter visions beam afar:  
Seek the great Desire of nations;  
Ye have seen his natal star: (Refrain)

Saints before the altar bending,  
Watching long in hope and fear,  
Suddenly the Lord, descending,  
In his temple shall appear: (Refrain)

***The Dismissal***

*Deacon or Priest:* Alleluia, alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**