

January 6, 2009

Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 60:1-6 In the midst of darkness, the light of the Lord shall be with you.
 Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 The psalmist prays that the king will display God's justice.
 Ephesians 3:1-12 The mystery of the gospel is that Gentiles are included in the body of Christ.
 Matthew 2:1-12 Wise men from the East come to visit Jesus in Bethlehem.

Call to Worship

Arise, shout out God's praise!
The One we seek has come to us.
 Arise, shine with God's light!
The One who brings peace is among us.
 Arise, give thanks, let your hearts rejoice!
The One who brings God's love is alive with us.

Hymns for the Day

	PH	EH	ELW	UMH	NCH	VU	STF	SNC	TFBF	HFTG
Hymns of Praise										
O Morning Star/ How Brightly Beams the Morning Star	69	496, 497	308	247	158	98				
Hail to the Lord's Anointed	204	616	311	203	104	30				
What Star Is This, with Beams so Bright	68	124								
Old Testament										
Arise, Your Light Has Come	411		314	725	164	79				
Midnight Stars Make Bright the Sky	65		280			85				
When Heaven's Bright with Mystery						93				
Epistle										
O Praise the Gracious Power	471		651		54	397		35		
O Love How Deep, How Broad How High	83	448, 449	322	267	209	348				
Gospel										
O Radiant Light/O Gladsome Light	548, 549	133, 134	562	686		92				
O Radiant Christ, Incarnate Word					168	84				
From a Distant Home	64			243		89				
Famed Though the World's Great Cities Be										119
Communion										
The First Noel	54	109	300	245	139	90, 91				
In the Darkness Shines the Splendor						92				
Sending										
O Light Whose Splendor Thrills	550		563							
O Laughing Light						434	2093			
Songs of Thankfulness and Praise			135			101				
Important Hymns from Other Sources										
When a Star is Shining, Sylvia Dunstan, <i>Where the Promise Shines</i> , GIA						97				

Epiphany

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Prayer of Confession

God of glory, you send out your love as a beacon, that all may find their way to you.
All too often we see only our own shadows, and take pleasure in the stature we assume, sure that we are the keepers of the light.
We are surprised—even frightened—when others come to your light, bringing their gifts in ways that are different from ours.
Forgive our down-turned eyes, O God.
Lift our heads to see Jesus Christ, the light of the world.
Take away our fear and fill us with wonder, that we too may worship him with all who come.

Psalm Settings

Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 Metrical
 "God has Given us a King" TP 72
 "Grant Justice, Lord, to Those who Rule" PCW 86
Responsorial
 "In His Days Justice Shall Flourish" PS1 22
 "Justice Shall Flourish in God's Time" PH 204
 "Lord, Every Nation on Earth will Adore You" LP 29

Contemporary Songs

"Arise, Shine" Gary Alan Smith *Cokesbury Chorus Book*
 "Every Nation on Earth Will Adore You" (Psalm 72) Marty Haugen GIA
 "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" Kathleen Thomerson UMH
 "Walk in the Light" Arr. Andre Thomas *Choristers Guild/Lorenz*
 "In the Time of God" David Haas GIA, G-5657
 "Carol of the Epiphany" John Bell *Innkeepers and Light Sleepers*
 "God's Love Made Visible" Iola Brubeck/Dave Brubeck *Lift Up Your Hearts*

Global Songs

"Lovely Star in the Sky" (Korea) STB 132
 "Los magos que llegaron a Belén (The Magi Who to Bethlehem Did Go)" (Puerto Rico) SNC 118
 "Behold the Star" AAHH 216

Anthems for Larger Choirs

"Arise, Shine" John Rutter, HIN HMC-1998, SATB
 "O Nata Lux" Morton Lauridson, PEER 619081210, SATB
 "Epiphany Alleluias" John Weaver, BH 5683, SATB
 "There Shall a Star Come Out of Jacob" Felix Mendelssohn, BH 633, SATB

Anthems for Smaller/Youth Choirs

"As With Gladness/Come and Behold Him" Parks, OFDTS, Ab, 2-part mixed, keyboard
 "March of the Kings" Hayes, Alfred 23845, SAB, piano
 "Three Wise Men" White, Music 70 (M70-548), SATB, organ, opt. HB
 "Ye Distant Lands" Aaron David Miller, Aug (978-0-8006-7710-7), 2-part mixed, keyboard

Anthems for Children's Choirs

"Sing a Jubilant Song" Dave and Jean Perry (2-part voices and piano), Alfred Publishing Co.
 "God Is Like a Rock" Natalie Sleeth (unison with keyboard), CGA
 "The Savior Comes" Arr. Hal H. Hopson (unison with keyboard), CGA

Handbell Music

"We Three Kings" Arr. Barbara B. Kinyon, Alfred, 23152, 2-3 oct. L1+
 "Follow the Star" (Puerto Rican carol) Helen Kemp/Arr. Martha Lynn Thompson, CG, CGB450, 3, 4 or 5 oct. with opt. claves and maracas, L2+
 "In the Bleak Midwinter" Arr. Martha Lynn Thompson, Alfred, 23157, 3-5 oct., opt. hand chimes 3, 4, 5 oct., L3

Organ Music

"Communion for Epiphany" Charles Tournemire, *L'Orgue Mystique*, Vol. 2, Op. 55, No. 8, UMP (M+)
 "Prelude sur l'Introit de l'Epiphanie" Maurice Durufle, Ed. *Schola Cantorum: Orgue et Liturgie* (M)
 "Three for Epiphany" Paul Manz, MS (E)
 "The Star Proclaims the King Is Here" Flor Peeters, *30 Chorale Preludes*, Vol. 3, PE (M)