



Choral Evensong

The Second Sunday of Epiphany

The Service is led by
Canon James Lawrence
Canon Missioner

Sunday, 14 January, 2024

4.00pm

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There shall be a star - Mendelssohn

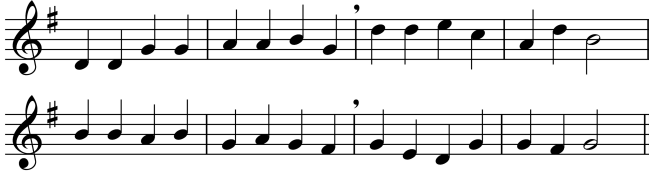
Responses *Reading*

Psalm 96

The Order for the service is on the cream card.

Office Hymn

STUTT GART 48



Bethlehem, of noblest cities
none can once with thee compare;
thou alone the Lord from heaven
didst for us incarnate bear.

Fairer than the sun at morning
was the star that told his birth;
to the lands their God announcing,
hid beneath a form of earth.

By its lambent beauty guided
see the eastern kings appear;
see them bend, their gifts to offer,
gifts of incense, gold and myrrh.

Solemn things of mystic meaning:
incense doth the God disclose,
gold a royal child proclaimeth,
myrrh a future tomb foreshows.

Holy Jesu, in thy brightness
to the Gentile world displayed,
with the Father and the Spirit
endless praise to thee be paid.

*Latin Prudentius (348-410) tr.
Edward Caswall (1814-78)*

Please sit down.



The Word of God

Psalmody

First reading

Second reading

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Isaiah 60.9-22

Hebrews 6.17 - 7.10

Anthem

There shall a star from Jacob come forth,
and a sceptre from Israel rise up,
and dash in pieces princes and nations.

How brightly beams the morning star,
with sudden radiance from afar,
with light and comfort glowing.

Thy word, Jesus, inly feeds us,
rightly leads us,, life bestowing.
Praise, O praise such love o'erflowing!

From a text by Johann A. Schiegel (1721-1793) translated by Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878).

Music by Felix Mendelssohn (1809-47)

Final Hymn

PUER NOBIS NASCITUR 19 II



Why, impious Herod, shouldst thou fear
because the Christ is come so near?
He who doth heavenly kingdoms grant
thine earthly realm can never want.

Lo, sages from the East are gone
to where the star hath newly shone:
led on by light to Light they press,
and by their gifts their God confess.



The Lamb of God is manifest
again in Jordan's water blest,
and he who sin had never known
by washing hath our sins undone.

Yet he that ruleth everything
can change the nature of the spring,
and gives at Cana this for sign-
the water reddens into wine.

Then glory, Lord, to thee we pay
for thine Epiphany to-day;
all glory through eternity
to Father, Son, and Spirit be. Amen.

Hostis Herodes impie, Caelius Sedulius (fl.c.450) translated by Percy Dearmer (1867-1936)

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The Organ Voluntary

Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern, BWV 739

J.S. Bach (1685 – 1750)