

Hymn to Depart

"See in Yonder Manger Low"

All:

- 1 See in yonder manger low,
Born for us on earth below,
See, the gentle Lamb appears,
Promised from eternal years.
Hail, O ever blessed morn!
Hail, redemption's happy dawn!
Sing through all Jerusalem:
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Men:

- 2 Lo, within a stable lies
He who built the starry skies,
He who, throned in height sublime,
Sits amid the cherubim.
All: Hail, O ever blessed morn!
Hail, redemption's happy dawn!
Sing through all Jerusalem:
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Women and Children:

- 3 Sacred Infant, all divine,
What a tender love was Thine,
Thus to come from highest bliss
Down to such a world as this.
Men: Hail, O ever blessed morn!
Women: Hail, redemption's happy dawn!
All: Sing through all Jerusalem:
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

All:

- 4 Teach, O teach us, holy Child,
By Thy face so meek and mild,
Teach us to resemble Thee
In Thy sweet humility.
Hail, O ever blessed morn!
Hail, redemption's happy dawn!
Sing through all Jerusalem:
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Peace Lutheran Church and Academy

The Nativity of Our Lord
Christmas Day, December 25, 2021
9:30 a.m.

The Word Became Flesh and Dwelt Among Us! "Softly from His lowly manger / Jesus calls / One and all, / 'You are safe from danger. / Children, from the sins that grieve you / You are freed; / All you need / I will surely give you.'" (Paul Gerhardt). Welcome to the Divine Service. Guests desiring to commune are asked to speak to the Pastor before approaching the altar. For the spiritual care and welfare of all we practice closed communion. Guests, please sign our guest register in the narthex.

Order of Service

Divine Service Setting Two, Hymnal p. 167

Please follow the order of service printed in the hymnal beginning on page 167. The propers for the day (readings, hymns) are listed below.

Stand and face the processional cross

Processional Hymn

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"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

Stanza 1: All

Stanza 2: Choir

Stanza 3: Women and Children

Stanza 4: Choir

Stanza 5: All

Entrance Hymn

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"All My Heart Again Rejoices"

St. 1: All

St. 4: All

St. 2: Men

St. 5: Women/Children

St. 3: Women/Children

St. 6: All

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 40:17-21, 34-38

The Old Testament Tabernacle of the Lord

Gradual Hymn

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"The Infant Priest"

Epistle

Titus 3:4-7

The kindness and love of God our Savior appeared.

Holy Gospel

John 1:1-18

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.
The Gospel is read from the midst of the congregation
in celebration that God's Son became man and dwells among us.

Hymn of the Day

"O Jesus Christ, Thy Manger Is"
Choir sings stanzas 2 and 4

Choral Offertory

"How Bright Appears the Morning Star" by J.S. Bach

How bright appears the Morning Star, With mercy beaming from afar; The host of heaven rejoices. O righteous Branch, O Jesse's Rod, Thou Son of Man and Son of God, We, too, will lift our voices. Jesus, Jesus, Holy, holy, yet most lowly Draw Thou near us, Great Immanuel, come and hear us!	Though circled by the hosts on high, He deign'd to cast a pitying eye Upon His helpless creatures; The whole creation's Head and Lord, By highest seraphim adored, Assumed our very nature. Jesus, grant us, Thro' Thy merit to inherit Thy salvation; Hear, O hear, our supplication!
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Jesus Christ, Thy Manger Is

Luke 2: 7

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Paul Gerhardt, 1653, cento
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O Jesu Christ, dein Kripplein
Johann Crüger, 1653



1 O Je-sus Christ, Thy man-ger is My par - a - dise at which my
2 He whom the sea And wind o - bey Doth come to serve the sin - ner
3 Thy light and grace Our guilt ef - face, Thy heav'n - ly rich - es all our
4 Thou Christian heart, Who - e'er thou art, Be of good cheer and let no



soul re - clin - eth. For there, O Lord, Doth lie the Word
in great meek - ness. Thou, God's own Son, With us art one,
loss re - triev - ing. Im - man - u - el, Thy birth doth quell
sor - row move thee! For God's own Child, In mer - cy mild,



Made flesh for us; here - in Thy grace forth shin - eth.
Dost join us and our chil - dren in our weak - ness.
The pow'r of hell and Sa - tan's bold de - ceiv - ing.
Joins thee to Him; how great - ly God must love thee! A - men.



5 Remember thou
What glory now
The Lord prepared thee for all earthly sadness.
The angel host
Can never boast
Of greater glory, greater bliss or gladness.

6 The world may hold
Her wealth and gold;
But thou, my heart, keep Christ as thy true Treasure.
To Him hold fast
Until at last
A crown be thine and honor in full measure.