

- ❖ As the New Year approaches please consider your year-end gift by Dec. 31. Your radical support elevates Holy Wisdom as a beacon of Benedictine spirituality, a place where all are welcome, and invites all to embrace our land as a spiritual resource. All financial gifts, stocks, and securities advance the sisters' mission, vision, and values for future generations. Contact Amy Bonomie with additional questions at 608-836-1631, x124 or abonomie@holywisdommonastery.org.
- ❖ **New Member Ministry** is sponsoring a tour of the monastery after Sunday Assembly on January 9. We especially invite new members of Sunday Assembly, as well as other interested people. Catherine Cruickshank and Mark Hanson will provide an architectural tour and history of the monastery building. Catherine and Mark designed and built our facility. Please register with Lara Dulin at <https://rebrand.ly/HWMorientationjan9>
- ❖ **Liturgy of the Hours Schedule** Morning Prayer (8:00 am) and Evening Prayer (4:30 pm) will be held each day December 28 through 31. All are welcome to join us for prayer during this holy season.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Presider & Homilist Terry Larson

First Reading Kathy Heskin

Second Reading Charles McLimans

Communion Ministers Paula & Bob Dinndorf, Denise West, OSB

Guitar Vicki Clark

Organ/Piano Lynn Lemberger

Technology Assistant Tony Wilkin Gibart

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Greeters Sue Bradley, Roberta Felker,

Christine Pasinski Thomas

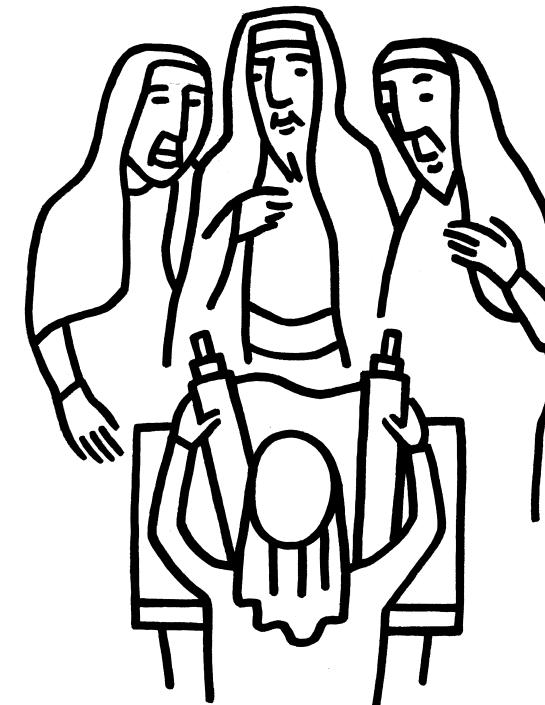
Cantor Sarah Wilkin Gibart

Euphonium Katie Kretschman

Sacristans Marge Ferstl, Margaret Sommers

Sunday after Christmas

December 26, 2021



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*Face masks are required to be worn by everyone age 2 and older,
regardless of vaccination status.*

*People who are fully vaccinated may participate in singing at worship.
Those who are not fully vaccinated are asked to continue to observe
appropriate distance and refrain from singing.*

Gathering Hymn

Joy to the World

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth its
 2. Joy to the earth! the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their
 3. Christ rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the

prais - es bring; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare Christ
 songs em - ploy; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and -
 na - tions prove The glo - ries of God's righ - teous -

room and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
 plains re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
 ness and won - ders of God's love, and won - ders of God's

sing, and heav'n and heav'n and na - ture sing.
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of God's love.

Text: Ps. 98:4-9; Luke 2:11-15; Isaac Watts, 1719; alt.
Tune: ANTIOCH CM, Lowell Mason, 1836

Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

All are seated

First Reading

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26

Following each reading:

Reader The Word of Salvation

All Thanks be to God

A time of silent reflection follows each reading as we practice the Benedictine value of listening.

Psalm 67

The musical notation consists of a single staff in treble clef and common time. It features a series of eighth and sixteenth note patterns. The lyrics "May God bless us in mer - cy; may God bless us in love." are written below the notes.

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Concluding Hymn

Good Christians Friends, Rejoice

1. Good Christ-i-an friends, re - joice____ with heart and soul and voice;____
 2. Good Christ-i-an friends, re - joice____ with heart and soul and voice;____
 3. Good Christ-i-an friends, re - joice____ with heart and soul and voice;____

Now give heed to what we say: Je-sus Christ is born to - day!
 Now you hear of end-less bliss: Je-sus Christ was born for this!
 Now you need not fear the grave: Je-sus Christ was born to save!

Ox and ass be - fore him bow, a - sleep with - in the man - ger now.
 God has o-pened heav-en's door, and we are blest for ev - er - more.
 Calls you one and calls you all to gain the ev - er - last - ing hall.

Christ is born to - day!____ Christ is born to day!____
 Christ was born for this!____ Christ was born for this!____
 Christ was born to save!____ Christ was born to save!____

Text: *In dulci jubilo*: Latin and German, 14th c., tr. John M. Neale, 1818-1866.
Tune: IN DULCI JUBILO 66 77 77 55; Klug's *Geistliche Lieder*, Wittenberg, 1535.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ **A special welcome to guests and visitors!** Thank you for joining us. We welcome you and hope that you will find a spiritual home with us. We'd love to know that you were here. Please sign our guest book on the table near the entrance. For more information about Sunday Assembly, the monastery or the sisters' community please see <https://HolyWisdomMonastery.org> or contact Lynn Lemberger, Director of Worship & Music at 608-836-1631, x138 or llembberger@HolyWisdomMonastery.org
 - ❖ **Gender Neutral Restrooms** can be found in the Hospitality Room in the hallway just after the coat racks.
 - ❖ **Join Sunday Assembly!** Have you been worshipping with us frequently over the last few months? We hope that you've found a spiritual home with us and invite you to consider becoming a member of Sunday Assembly. It's simple. Yellow membership forms can be found at the monastery entrance. Just fill it out and return in the collection basket next Sunday or send by mail. Or sign-up through our website at: <https://holywisdommonastery.org/sunday-assembly/sunday-assembly-membership-form/>
 - ❖ **Secure your final resting place in the Holy Wisdom Memorial Courtyard by Dec. 31 to save 15%.** If interested in learning more, please contact Nancy Sandleback at nsandleback@holywisdommonastery.org or 608-836-1631, x105 to finalize your arrangements. Learn pricing and insights at www.holywisdommonastery.org/memorial-courtyard

Breaking of the Bread

Be known to us, Christ Je-sus, in the break-ing of the bread.
A - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Be known to us, Christ Je-sus, in the break-ing of the bread.
Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Presider The bread which we break,
 is it not communion in the body of Christ?
 The cup of blessing which we share,
 is it not communion in the blood of Christ?

All **So all of us are one body,**
 all who share the one bread and drink from the cup.

Communion Rite

Our Communion bread is gluten-free.

All are welcome to receive Communion.

*Come to any one of the four locations in the room. Two stations are
behind the altar, one at the side exit, and one near the piano.*

Prayer after Communion

Final Blessing

Dismissal

Second Reading

Colossians 3:12-17

"Festival Alleluia"

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Gospel

Luke 2:41-52

Before the Gospel,

Reader A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
All **Glory to you, O Christ**

Following the Gospel,

Reader The holy Gospel
All **Praise to you, O Jesus Christ**

Homily

All are seated.

Profession of Faith *Response This is our faith. This is our hope.*
All stand as you are able.

General Intercessions *Response God among us, hear our prayer.*

Sign of Peace *Please ask permission before greeting someone with a hug.*

Presentation of the Gifts *A basket is available on the table to receive your donations. Thank you for your generosity. The gifts of bread, wine and our offering are brought to the altar.*

Liturgy of the Eucharist

All join in proclaiming the Eucharistic Prayer. The Assembly parts are in bold.

Presider The Most High be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them up to God.**

Presider Let us give thanks to our God.

All **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

We praise you, great and glorious God,
for we who walked in darkness
now see the light of your grace appear.

**For a child is born to us, a savior is given to us:
Jesus the Christ, born of Mary.**

**Through him you have made a home among us,
so that every home and family might be blessed,
extending even to the family of nations,
called to live together in justice and peace.**

We praise and bless you, O God Most High,
joining our voices with all the heavenly hosts, as we sing:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly One, God of pow-er, God of might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est.
Blest is the one who comes in the name of our God. Ho - san - na
in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high_____ est.

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Glory to you, O God, in the highest heavens,
and peace to all people on earth.

**Jesus came in your name, O God
to bring good news of great joy,
and to announce a time of favor.**

At the end of his life,
Jesus gathered with his family of faith, the disciples.
He took bread, blessed and broke it, and shared it with them saying:
Take this all of you and eat.
This is my body given up for you.

At the end of the meal, he took the cup,
gave you praise and thanks, and said:
Take this all of you and drink.
This is the cup of my blood, poured out for people everywhere
for the reconciliation of all.

This is a new and everlasting covenant.
Do this in remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

The one who was first laid on the wood of the crib
was nailed to the wood of the cross.
But death had no final claim on him.
His resurrection is the promise we share.

God of love, give us new birth through the Spirit.

**May that Spirit come with power
upon our gifts of bread and wine and upon us,
that we become more fully the incarnation of Jesus
in our time and place.**

Gracious God, bind us together in love.
Keep us searching for unity and reconciliation
in the stress and strain of life,
and in the tensions and tragedies of our times.

**Give peace to all our beloved dead
and bring them with all your saints
into the company of Mary and Joseph.
May the poor of the earth hear the good news
and may all the ends of the earth come to see your glory
and the saving love you have shown in Jesus.**

Through Christ.... forever and ever.

A - men, a - men, a - - - men!

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The Prayer of Jesus

**Holy One, our only Home, blessed be your name.
May your day dawn, your will be done, here, as in heaven.
Feed us today, and forgive us as we forgive each other.
Do not forsake us at the test, but deliver us from evil.
For the glory, the power, and the mercy are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**