

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 22, 2024

## Opening Hymn

O Come, Divine Messiah! #401

## Responsorial Psalm #1002

Psalm 80: Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

## Communion Hymns

This Is Jesus #2071

O Come, O Come,  
Emmanuel #395

Maranatha, Lord Messiah #397

## Closing Hymn

Hail Mary: Gentle Woman #889

## The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,  
the Father Almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
He descended into hell;  
on the third day He rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the  
Father Almighty;  
from there He will come to judge the living  
and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Holy Catholic Church,  
the communion of Saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting.  
Amen.

## St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel,  
defend us in battle. Be our  
protection against the wickedness  
and snares of the Devil. May God  
rebuke him, we humbly pray,  
and do thou, O prince of the  
heavenly hosts, by the power of  
God, cast into hell Satan, and all  
evil spirits, who prowl about the  
world seeking the ruin of souls.  
Amen.

## Readings

#1002

First Reading:  
Micah 5:1-4a

Second Reading:  
Hebrews 10:5-10

Gospel:  
Luke 1:39-45



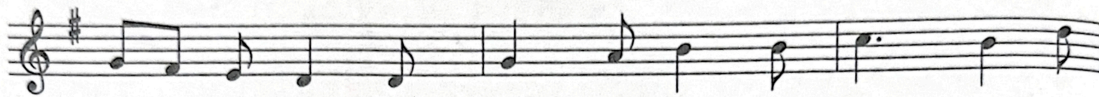
# Opening Hymn

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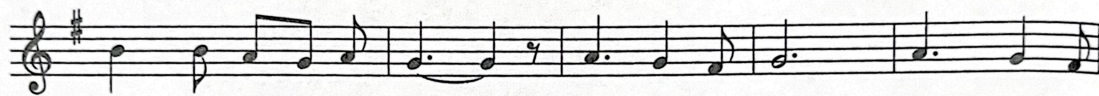
## 401 O Come, Divine Messiah!



1. O come, Di - vine Mes - si - ah! The world in si - lence  
2. O come, De - sired of na - tions, Whom priest and proph - et  
3. O come in peace and meek - ness, For low - ly will your



waits the day When hope shall sing its tri - umph, And  
long fore - told. Come break the cap - tive fet - ters, Re -  
cra - dle be: Though clothed in hu - man weak - ness We



sad - ness flee a - way.  
deem the long - lost fold. Dear Sav - ior, haste! Come, come to  
shall your God - head see.



earth. Dis - pel the night and show your face, And bid us



hail the dawn of grace. O come, Di - vine Mes -



si - ah! The world in si - lence waits the day When



hope shall sing its tri - umph, And sad - ness flee a - way.

Text: *Venez, divin Messie*; Abbé Simon-Joseph Pellegrin, 1663-1745; tr. by Sr. Mary of St. Philip, SND, 1825-1904, alt.  
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# First Reading

Mi 5:1-4a

Thus says the LORD:

You, Bethlehem-Ephrathah  
too small to be among the clans of Judah,  
from you shall come forth for me  
one who is to be ruler in Israel;  
whose origin is from of old,  
from ancient times.

Therefore the Lord will give them up, until the time  
when she who is to give birth has borne,  
and the rest of his kindred shall return  
to the children of Israel.

He shall stand firm and shepherd his flock  
by the strength of the LORD,  
in the majestic name of the LORD, his God;  
and they shall remain, for now his greatness  
shall reach to the ends of the earth;  
he shall be peace.

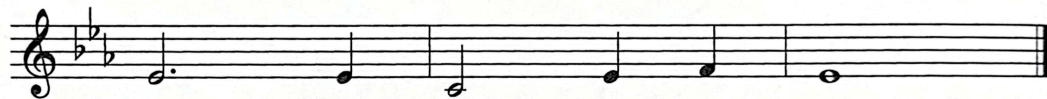
## Responsorial Psalm

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19*



Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your



face and we shall be saved.

O shepherd of Israel, hear us,  
enthroned on the cherubim, shine  
forth.  
Rouse up your might and come to  
save us. *R.*

May your hand be on the man at your  
right hand,  
the son of man you have confirmed  
as your own.  
And we shall never forsake you again;  
give us life that we may call upon  
your name. *R.*

God of hosts, turn again, we implore;  
look down from heaven and see.  
Visit this vine and protect it,  
the vine your right hand has planted,  
the son of man you have claimed  
for yourself. *R.*

## Second Reading

Heb 10:5-10

Brothers and sisters:

When Christ came into the world, he said:

“Sacrifice and offering you did not desire,  
but a body you prepared for me;  
in holocausts and sin offerings you took no delight.  
Then I said, ‘As is written of me in the scroll,  
behold, I come to do your will, O God.’”

First he says, “Sacrifices and offerings,  
holocausts and sin offerings,  
you neither desired nor delighted in.”

These are offered according to the law.

Then he says, “Behold, I come to do your will.”

He takes away the first to establish the second.

By this “will,” we have been consecrated  
through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

## Gospel

Lk 1:39-45

Mary set out  
and traveled to the hill country in haste  
to a town of Judah,  
where she entered the house of Zechariah  
and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting,  
the infant leaped in her womb,  
and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit,  
cried out in a loud voice and said,  
“Blessed are you among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

And how does this happen to me,  
that the mother of my Lord should come to me?

For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears,  
the infant in my womb leaped for joy.

Blessed are you who believed  
that what was spoken to you by the Lord  
would be fulfilled.”

# Communion Hymns

## This Is Jesus

2071

Text and Music by Jim Cowan  
b.1952

### Refrain

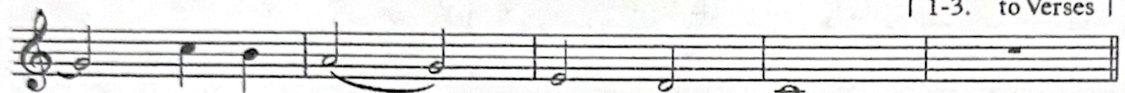


This is Je - sus, Em - ma - nu - el. God is with us,



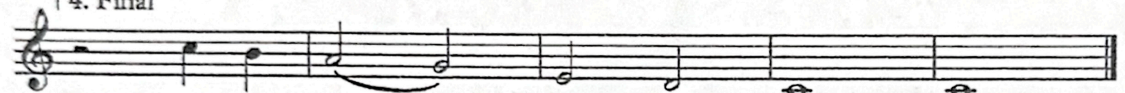
in this sa - cra - ment. Come, re - ceive Him. A - dore Him.

1-3. to Verses



This is Je - - sus, our Lord.

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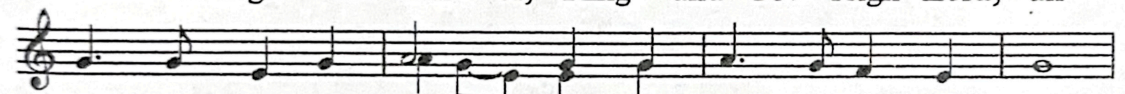


This is Je - - sus, our Lord.

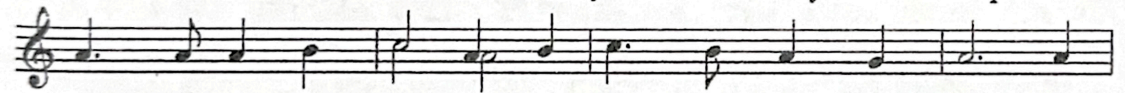
### Verses



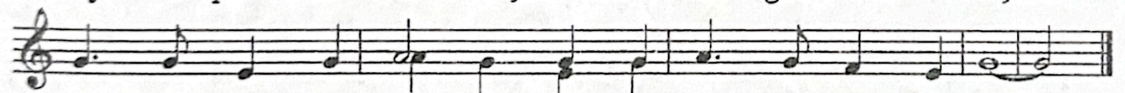
1. Bright Star of Da - vid, Ra - di - ance of God;
2. Drink of Liv - ing Wa - ters, flow - ing from the Lord.
3. Priest of high - est hon - or, King and Sov' - reign Lord, un -



now be - come the Li - ving Bread, the bo - dy of the Lord.  
Taste the cup of bless - ing par - take of pre - cious blood.  
blem - ished Lamb of Sac - ri - fice, Your ver - y life out - poured:

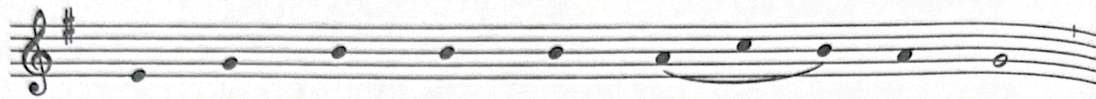


Come in a - do - ra - tion, re - ceive with trem - bling hands; the  
Riv - er of Sal - va - tion, ho - ly cleans - ing tide;  
roy - al pas - chal vic - tim, true be - got - ten Son,

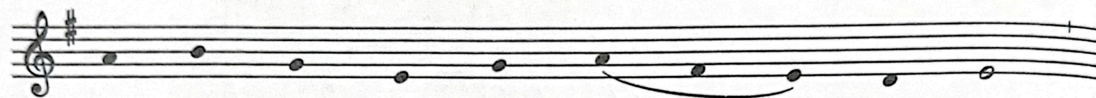


sa - cra - ment most ho - ly, the ban - quet of the Lamb.  
Foun - tain of Re - demp - tion, flow - ing from the Sav - ior's side..  
of - fered as our ran - som by the Ho - ly One.

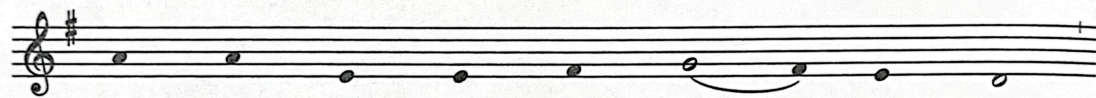
## 395 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel



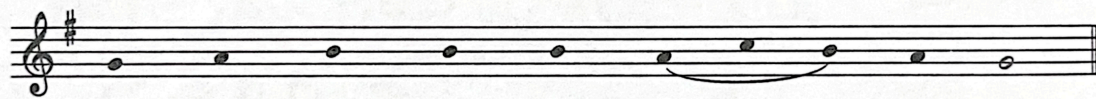
1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el,  
 2. O come, O Wis - dom from on high,  
 3. O come, O come, great Lord of might,  
 4. O come, O Rod of Jes - se's stem,  
 5. O come, O Key of Da - vid, come,



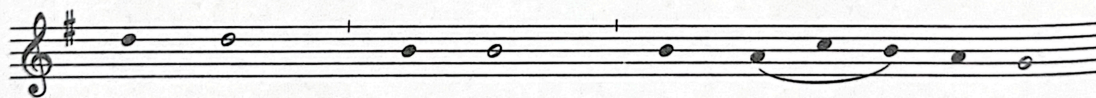
And ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,  
 Who or - der all things might - i - ly;  
 Who to your tribes on Si - nai's height  
 From ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them  
 And o - pen wide our heav'n - ly home;



That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here  
 To us the path of knowl - edge show,  
 In an - cient times once gave the Law  
 That trust your might - y power to save,  
 Make safe the way that leads on high,



Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
 And teach us in her ways to go.  
 In cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.  
 And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.  
 And close the path to mis - er - y.



Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el



Shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

6. O come, O Dayspring from on high,  
 And cheer us by your drawing nigh;  
 Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
 And death's dark shadow put to flight.

7. O come, Desire of nations, bind  
 In one the hearts of humankind;  
 O bid our sad divisions cease,  
 And be for us our King of Peace.

## 397 Maranatha, Lord Messiah

## Verses



1. Gra - cious God of Wis - dom, who hear your peo - ple's  
 2. Might - y Voice on Si - nai, whom Mos - es heard in  
 3. Fra - grant Bud of Jes - se, whose bloom - ing kings re -  
 4. Da - vid's Key of Heav - en, re - lease us from our  
 5. Blaz - ing Sun of Jus - tice, the flame of east - ern  
 6. Sov - ereign of all na - tions, our cor - ner - stone of  
 7. Je - sus, be God with us, Em - man - u - el fore -



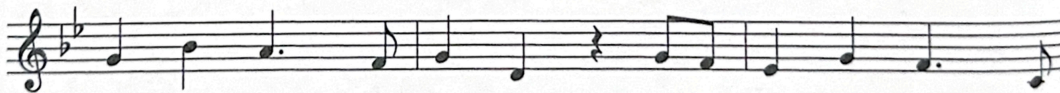
cry, teach us ways of pru - dence, O  
 awe, Ad - o - nai, now lead us with  
 vere, root your words with - in us, God's  
 sins. Freed from er - ror's pris - on, our  
 dawn, scat - ter cling - ing shad - ows, that  
 trust, de - liv - er, in your mer - cy, your  
 told. Like a shep - herd feed us, in



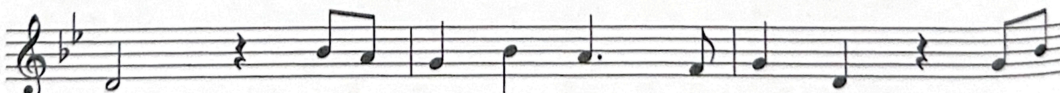
Breath of God Most High.  
 ho - ly arm and law.  
 Word for all to hear.  
 life in you be - gins.  
 gloom of death be gone.  
 crea - tures made from dust.  
 safe - ly gath - ered fold.

Ma-ra-

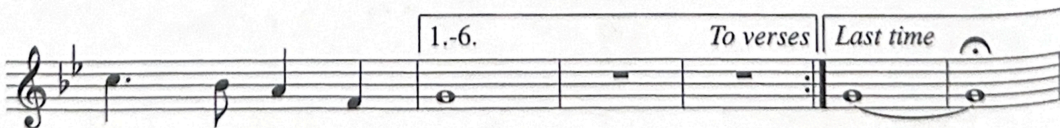
## Refrain



na - tha, Lord Mes - si - ah, long a - wait - ed from a -



far. Come and make your home a - mong us. Let us

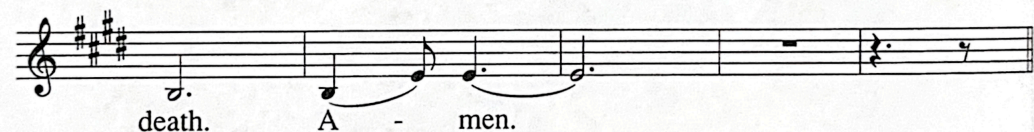
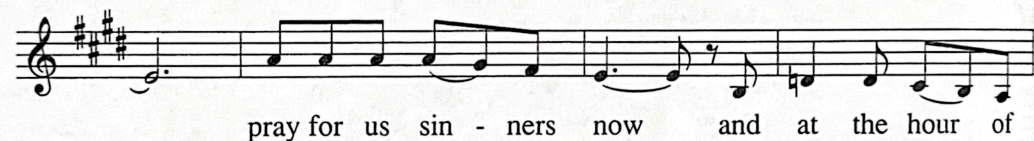
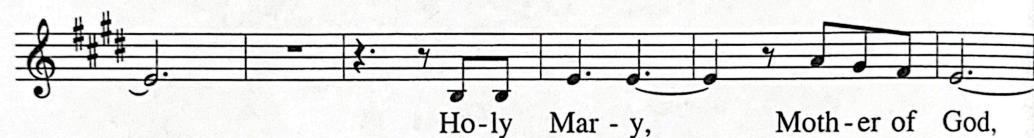
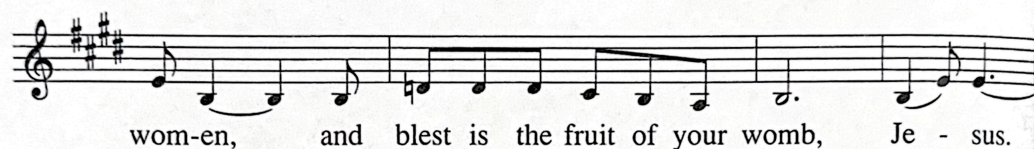
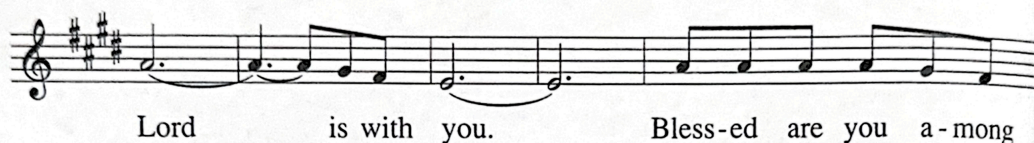
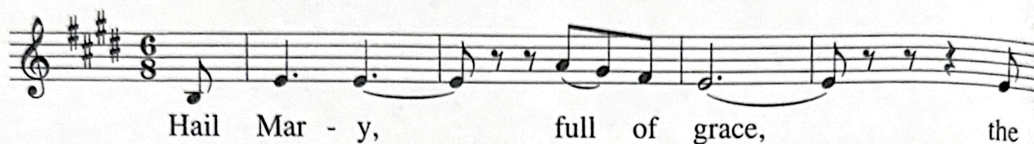


see your birth - ing star. star.

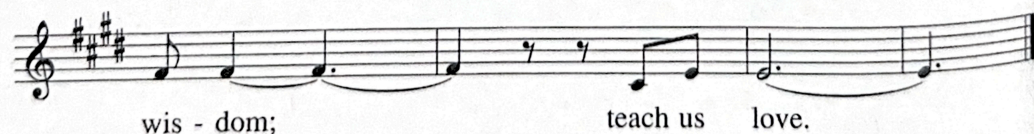
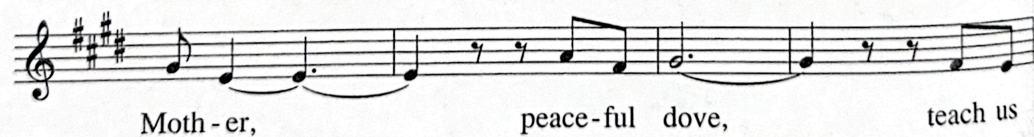
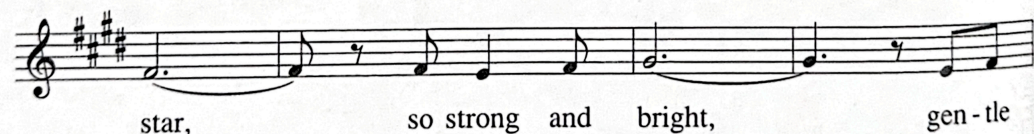
# Closing Hymn

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

## 889 Hail Mary: Gentle Woman



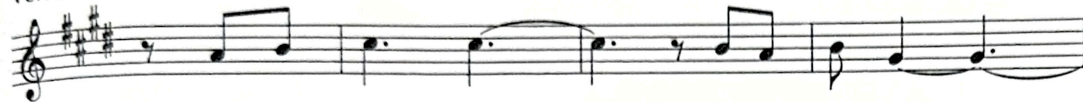
### Refrain





BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Verse 1



1. You were cho - sen by the Fa - ther;



you were cho - sen for the Son.



You were cho - sen from all wom-en



and for wom-an, shin-ing one.

Verse 2



2. Bless-ed are you a-mong wom-en,



blest in turn all wom-en, too.



Bless-ed they with peace - ful spir-its.



Bless-ed they with gen - tle hearts.