

**Communion Practice:** We believe that Christ is truly present in Holy Communion and, as we try to be faithful to Christ in the serving of this Sacrament, we ask that everyone be examined and instructed by the Pastor before receiving Holy Communion. All confirmed members of this parish, who have been regularly examined by the Pastor, are welcome to partake of the Holy Eucharist today. We also welcome the members who are in good standing of any of the parishes served by the Bishop, Pastors, and Deacons of The Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America (ELDoNA), and who have spoken to the Pastor prior to the service. Members of other Lutheran parishes or other denominations are kindly asked to refrain from communing today. The Pastor would be glad to make an appointment with anyone to discuss our teachings and/or our parish.

#### **A Prayer upon Entering Church**

Almighty, Ever-Living God, grant that I may gladly hear Thy Word and that all my worship may be acceptable unto Thee; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

#### **A Prayer before Communion**

Dear Savior, upon Thy gracious invitation I come to Thine Altar. Let me find favor in Thine eyes that I may approach Thy Table in true faith and receive the Sacrament to the salvation of my soul. Amen.

#### **A Prayer after Communion**

O Thou blessed Savior Jesus Christ, Who hast given Thyself to me in this holy Sacrament, keep me in Thy faith and favor; as Thou livest in me, let me also live in Thee. May Thy holy Body and Blood preserve me in the true faith unto everlasting life. Amen.

#### **A Prayer at the Close of the Service**

Grant, I beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the Word which I have heard this day may through Thy grace be so engrafted in my heart that I may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

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The Second Sunday after Christmas  
January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021

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*“Arise, take the young Child and His mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I bring you word.”*

*St. Matthew 2:13*

## The Order of Divine Service

<b>The Prelude</b>	<i>“Erhalt uns, Herr”</i>	Michael Praetorius
<b>The Ringing of the Bell</b>		
<b>Silent Prayer</b>		
<b>Hymn</b>	<i>“Oh, Rejoice, Ye Christians Loudly”</i>	TLH 96
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Confiteor</b>		
<b>The Invocation and Address</b>		TLH p. 15
<b>Versicles</b>		TLH p. 15
<b>Confession and Absolution</b>		TLH p. 16
<b>The Introit</b>	<i>(Tone 5)</i>	INSERT
<b>The Kyrie</b>		TLH p. 17
<b>The Gloria in Excelsis</b>		TLH p. 17-19
<b>The Salutation</b>		TLH p. 19
<b>The Collect for the Day</b>		INSERT
<b>The Collect for the Feast of the Nativity of our Lord</b>		
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Lesson</b>		Isaiah 42:1-9
	<i>After each Lesson: V: This is the Word of the Lord.</i>	
	<i>R: Thanks be to God.</i>	
<b>The Epistle</b>		1 Peter 4:3-9
<b>The Gradual</b>		INSERT
<b>The Verse</b>		INSERT
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Sequence Hymn</b>	<i>“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”</i>	Δ INSERT
<b>The Holy Gospel</b>		St. Matthew 2:13-23
<b>The Nicene Creed</b>		INSERT
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“The Star Proclaims the King Is Here”</i>	TLH 131
<b>The Sermon</b>	<i>Out of Egypt I Called My Son</i>	
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Offertory</b>	<i>“Create in Me A Clean Heart, O God”</i>	TLH p. 22-23
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Recitation of the Catechism</b>	The Office of the Keys and Confession	
<b>The Installation of Church Officers for 2021</b>		
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The General Prayer</b>		TLH p. 23
<i>Sit</i>	*	
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“Thine Honor Save, O Christ, Our Lord”</i>	TLH 265
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Preface</b>		TLH p. 24
<b>The Proper Preface</b>		TLH p. 25
<b>The Sanctus and Benedictus</b>		TLH p. 26

<b>The Lord’s Prayer</b>		TLH p. 27
<b>The Verba Domini</b>		TLH p. 27
<b>The Pax Domini</b>		TLH p. 27
<b>The Agnus Dei</b>		TLH p. 28
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Distribution</b>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“We All Believe in One True God”</i>	TLH 251 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Tune)
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Post-Communion Canticle</b>	<i>“The Nunc Dimittis”</i>	TLH p. 29-30
<b>The Thanksgiving</b>	<i>(“And His mercy endureth forever”)</i>	TLH p. 30
<b>The Post-Communion Collect</b>		TLH p. 31
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“O Jesus, King Most Wonderful”</i>	TLH 361
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Salutation</b>		TLH p. 31
<b>The Benedicamus</b>		TLH p. 31
<b>The Benediction</b>		TLH p. 31
<b>Silent Prayer</b>		
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Postlude</b>	<i>“St. Agnes”</i>	Sam Batt Owens
<b>Announcements</b>		

\*—An Alms Basin is located next to the bulletins for any Offerings.

Δ—indicates a hymn ending in a Doxological stanza; please stand.

## Christmas and Epiphany Season Schedule

<b>January 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>The Festival of the Epiphany of our Lord</i></b>
	Private Confession 6:30 p.m.
	Divine Service 7:00 p.m.
<b>January 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>The First Sunday after Epiphany</i></b>
	Divine Service 10:00 a.m.
	Bible class 11:15 a.m.
<b>January 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>The Festival of the Baptism of our Lord</i></b>
	Private Confession 6:30 p.m.
	Divine Service 7:00 p.m.

## In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Emily Benson, Peggy Holder, Jo Kope, Betty Ramsey, Brandon Dennie, Nellie Noegel, Katie, Dan, Judy Horn, Richard Noegel, Patricia Bachand, Tamara Jack, Mike Miller, Barbara Miller, Matthew Scholten, Vince Bost, Janice Heitener, Ray Heitener, Pat Stefanski, Flora Turenko, Ksenia Turenko, Rev. Randy Moll, Dcn. Martin Jackson, Dcn. Anthony Oncken, Rt. Rev. James Heiser, Dcn. Floyd Smithey, Sherrill Smithey, Martin Kope, Bill Kope, Sally Kope, and Rev. Mark Mueller.*
- For our bishop, the Rt. Rev. *James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, and those in our international fellowship, especially, *Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Kerrville, TX;* and, *Faith Ev. Lutheran Mission, Leander, TX;* and their pastor, the Rev. *Joshua Sullivan.*
- For our seminary, *St. Ignatius Lutheran Theological Seminary.*
- For our seminarians, *Ben Henson, Jacob Henson, John Heiser, and Roman Turenko.*
- For all those who serve in the military, especially, *Nicholas Silva.*
- For those struggling with addiction, especially, *Thomas Allred and John Monahan.*
- For *Silvia DiGregorio* that her faith may be strengthened.
- For the moral and spiritual support of those involved with our mission in Knoxville, TN, especially, *Ana Heiser, Bobby Eisold, Barb Eisold, and Bob Eisold.*
- For those affected by the coronavirus.
- For those who are suffering unemployment.
- For those near death.
- For those celebrating a birthday this week.
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week.

## Announcements

### Daily Readings for the Week after the Second Sunday after Christmas

	Morning	Evening
<b>Today</b>	Gal. 3-4; Matthew 2:19-23	Galatians 5; Isaiah 61:1-11
<b>Monday:</b>	Galatians 6; Matthew 3:1-12	Ephesians 1; Isaiah 56:1-8
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Ephesians 2; Luke 3:1-9	Ephesians 3; Isaiah 12:1-6
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Ephesians 4; Mark 1:1-8	Ephesians 5; Genesis 4:1-26
<b>Thursday:</b>	Ephesians 6; Mark 1:9-11	Philippians 1; Genesis 5:1-32
<b>Friday:</b>	Philippians 2; Luke 3:21-22	Philippians 3; Genesis 6:9-22
<b>Saturday:</b>	Philippians 4; Luke 3:23-38	Colossians 1; Genesis 7:1-24

### Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
<b>Today:</b>	Psalms 122, 72, 18	Psalms 90, 115, 19-22
<b>Monday:</b>	Psalms 122, 72, 23-25	Psalms 90, 115, 26-30
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Psalms 122, 72, 31-32	Psalms 72, 33-34
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Psalms 96, 35	Psalms 72, 36-37
<b>Thursday:</b>	Psalms 96, 38	Psalms 72, 39-41
<b>Friday:</b>	Psalms 96, 42-44	Psalms 72, 45-48
<b>Saturday:</b>	Psalms 96, 49	Psalms 86, 50-51

### Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

**Monday:** The Large Catechism, I.265-278  
**Tuesday:** The Large Catechism, I.279-296  
**Wednesday:** The Large Catechism, I.297-310  
**Thursday:** The Large Catechism, I.311-323  
**Friday:** The Large Catechism, I.324—II.8

### Reciting the Catechism Daily:

**Sunday:** The Ten Commandments  
**Monday:** The Apostles' Creed, The Lord's Prayer  
**Tuesday:** Holy Baptism, The Office of the Keys and Confession  
**Wednesday:** The Sacrament of the Altar

**Thursday:** The Prayers

**Friday:** The Table of Duties

**Saturday:** Christian Questions with Their Answers

**Hymns for the Week:**

**Morning:** TLH 131—"The Star Proclaims the King Is Here"

**Evening:** TLH 265—"Thine Honor Save, O Christ, Our Lord"

**Calendar for the Week after the Second Sunday after Christmas**

**Today: The Second Sunday after the Feast of the Nativity of our Lord—White**

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:15 a.m. Bible Class

**Monday: The Eleventh Day of Christmas—White**

**Tuesday: The Twelfth Day of Christmas—White**

**Wednesday: The Festival of the Epiphany of our Lord—White**

6:30 p.m. Private confession

7:00 p.m. Divine Service

**Thursday: Within the Octave of the Festival of the Epiphany of our Lord—White**

**Friday: Within the Octave of the Festival of the Epiphany of our Lord—White**

**Saturday: Within the Octave of the Epiphany of our Lord—White**

**Next Sunday: The First Sunday after Epiphany of our Lord—White**

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:15 a.m. Bible Class

**The Lutheran Herald**

The January issue of "The Lutheran Herald," the devotional booklet of the ELDoNA, is now available. It can be found on Facebook at: <http://tinyurl.com/LutheranHerald> and on the diocesan website: [eldona.org](http://eldona.org). There are also printed copies in the back of the nave for your use and distribution.

**Ask the Pastor**

The Rev. Joshua Sullivan of Holy Cross Ev. Luth. Church, Kerrville, TX puts out weekly videos dealing with a wide range of theological topics. Please check them out and subscribe to be notified when a new one is published at <http://www.youtube.com/user/ATPHolyCross>.

**An Excerpt from Luther's Writings**

"Now the thought of the Evangelist is this: When Christ was born under Herod, the first foreign king, and the time of the prophecy was fulfilled, this wonderful sign occurred. He Whom His own people and fellow citizens would neither seek nor acknowledge was sought by such strangers and foreigners for many days. To Him Whom the learned and the priests would not acknowledge and worship, came the wise men and astrologers. It was indeed a great shame for the whole Jewish land and people that Christ was born in their midst, and they should first become aware of it through these heathen people living so far away. At least in Jerusalem, the capitol city, they should have known about it. An earnest admonition to seek and to acknowledge Christ was given them. But their neck was an iron sinew and their brow brass as Isaiah says 48:4. 'Where is He that is born King of the Jews? For we saw His star in the East, and are come to worship Him.'" *From the Church Postil for the Festival of the Epiphany of the Lord, 1522.*

**To Read in Preparation for this week's Festivals:**

**Today—The Second Sunday after Christmas**

**Old Testament Lesson:**

Isaiah 42:1-9

**Epistle:**

1 Peter 4:12-19

**Gospel:**

St. Matthew 2:13-23

**January 6<sup>th</sup>—The Festival of the Epiphany of our Lord**

**Old Testament Lesson:**

Isaiah 49:1-7

**Epistle:**

Isaiah 60:1-6

**Gospel:**

St. Matthew 2:1-12

**January 10<sup>th</sup>—The First Sunday after Epiphany**

**Old Testament Lesson:**

Isaiah 61:1-3

**Epistle:**

Romans 12:1-5

**Gospel:**

St. Luke 2:41-52

## THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021



### Introit

YOUR TEST- || imonies are very | sure; | - \*

Holiness adorns Your house, O | Lord, | for- | ev- | er.

|| Your throne is established from of | old; | - \*

You are from | ev- | er- | last- | ing. (*Psalm 93:5, 2*)

|| The Lord reigns, He is clothed with | *ma-jes-* • | ty; \*

The Lord is clothed, He has girded | Him- | self | with | strength.

|| Surely the world is es- | tab- | lished, \*

So that it | can- | not | be | moved.

|| The floods have lifted up their | voice; | - \*

The floods | lift | up | their | waves.

|| The Lord on high is mightier than the noise of many | wat- | ers, \*

Than the mighty | waves | of | the | sea. (*Psalm 93:1, 3-4*)

### GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal)

|| Your testimonies are very | sure; | - \*

Holiness adorns Your house, O | Lord, | for- | ev- | er.

|| Your throne is established from of | old; | - \*

You are from | ev- | er- | last- | ing. (*Psalm 93:5, 2*)

### Collect

Almighty and Everlasting God, direct our actions according to Thy good pleasure, that in the Name of Thy Beloved Son we may be made to abound in good works; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.



### Gradual

|| Save us, O Lord our God, and gather us from among the | Gen- | tiles, \*

To give thanks to Your holy name, to tri- | umph | in | Your | praise.

|| You, O Lord, are our Father; Our Re- | deem- | er \*

From Everlast- | ing | is | Your | name. (*Psalm 106:47; Isaiah 63:16b*)

### Verse

|| Alle- | lu- | ia! \*

Al- | — | le- | lu- | ia!

|| My mouth shall speak the praise of the | Lord, | - \*

And all flesh shall bless His holy name forever. | Al- | le- | lu- |

ia! (*Psalm 145:21*)

## Isaiah 42:1-9

<sup>1</sup> “Behold! My Servant whom I uphold, My Elect One in whom My soul delights! I have put My Spirit upon Him; He will bring forth justice to the Gentiles. <sup>2</sup> He will not cry out, nor raise His voice, nor cause His voice to be heard in the street. <sup>3</sup> A bruised reed He will not break, and smoking flax He will not quench; He will bring forth justice for truth. <sup>4</sup> He will not fail nor be discouraged, till He has established justice in the earth; And the coastlands shall wait for His law.” <sup>5</sup> Thus says God the LORD, Who created the heavens and stretched them out, Who spread forth the earth and that which comes from it, Who gives breath to the people on it, and spirit to those who walk on it: <sup>6</sup> “I, the LORD, have called You in righteousness, and will hold Your hand; I will keep You and give You as a covenant to the people, as a light to the Gentiles, <sup>7</sup> to open blind eyes, to bring out prisoners from the prison, those who sit in darkness from the prison house. <sup>8</sup> I am the LORD, that is My name; And My glory I will not give to another, nor My praise to carved images. <sup>9</sup> Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I declare; Before they spring forth I tell you of them.”

## 1 Peter 4:12-19

<sup>12</sup> Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; <sup>13</sup> but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ’s sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy. <sup>14</sup> If you are reproached for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. On their part He is blasphemed, but on your part He is glorified. <sup>15</sup> But let none of you suffer as a murderer, a thief, an evildoer, or as a busybody in other people’s matters. <sup>16</sup> Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in this matter. <sup>17</sup> For the time has come for judgment to begin at the house of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God? <sup>18</sup> Now “If the righteous one is scarcely saved, where will the ungodly and the sinner appear?” <sup>19</sup> Therefore let those who suffer according to the will of God commit their souls to Him in doing good, as to a faithful Creator.

## St. Matthew 2:13-23

<sup>13</sup> Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, “Arise, take the young Child and His mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I bring you word; for Herod will seek the young Child to destroy Him.” <sup>14</sup> When he arose, he took the young Child and His mother by night and departed for Egypt, <sup>15</sup> and was there until the death of Herod, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying, “Out of Egypt I called My Son.” <sup>16</sup> Then Herod, when he saw that he was deceived by the wise men, was exceedingly angry; and he sent forth and put to death all the male children who were in Bethlehem and in all its districts, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had determined from the wise men. <sup>17</sup> Then was fulfilled what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying: <sup>18</sup> “A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, refusing to be comforted, because they are no more.” <sup>19</sup> But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, <sup>20</sup> saying, “Arise, take the young Child and His mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the young Child’s life are dead.” <sup>21</sup> Then he arose, took the young Child and His mother, and came into the land of Israel. <sup>22</sup> But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea instead of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And being warned by God in a dream, he turned aside into the region of Galilee. <sup>23</sup> And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, “He shall be called a Nazarene.”

# The Nicene Creed

**Celebrant:**

**Congregation:**

We be - lieve in one God, Fa - - - ther Al - might - y,

Mak - er of heav - en and earth and of all things vi - si - ble

and in - vi - si - ble. And in one Lord + Jes - sus Christ,

the only begotten - ten Son of God, be - got - ten of His Fa - ther

be - - - fore all - - - - worlds, God of God,

Light of Light, Ver - y God of Ver - y God,

Be - got - ten, not made, Be - ing of one Sub - stance with the Fa - ther,

By whom all things were made; Who for us men,

and for our sal - va - tion, came down from heav - en,

+ And was in - car - nate by the Ho - ly Ghost of the Vir - gin Mar - y,

And was made man; + And was cru - ci - fied al - so for us

un - der Pon - tius Pi - late. He suf - fered and was bur - ied;

And the third day He rose a - gain, ac - cord - ing to the Scrip - tures;

And as - cend - ed in - to heav - en, And sit - teth on the right hand of the Fa - ther;

And He shall come again with glo - - - - - ry

to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Ho - ly Ghost, The Lord and Giv - er of Life,

Who pro - ceedeth from the Fa - ther and the Son, Who with the Fa - ther and the Son

to - geth - er is + wor - shipped And glo - - - ri - fied,

Who spake by the Pro - phets. And we be - lieve one Ho - ly cath - o - lic

And Aposto - lic Church. We confess one Bap - tism

for the re - mis - - - sion of sins,

And we look for the re - sur - rec - tion of the dead;

+ And the life of the world to come. A - - - - - men.

+ — indicates that the worshippers may make a sign of reverence (bow the head, genuflect, or make the sign of the holy cross) as is appropriate.

## Sequence Hymn—Of the Father's Love Begotten



1. Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten Ere the world be - gan to be,  
 2. Oh, that birth for - ev - er bless - ed When the Vir - gin full of grace,  
 3. O ye heights of heav'n, a - dore Him: An - gel hosts, His praises sing;  
 4. This is He whom Heav'n - taught sing - ers Sang of old with one ac - cord:



He is Al - pha and O - me - ga, He the Source, the End - ing He,  
 By the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing, Bare the Sav - ior of our race,  
 Pow'rs, do - min - ions, bow be - fore Him, And ex - tol our God and King.  
 Whom the Scriptures of the Pro - phets Prom - ised in their faith - ful word.



Of the things that are, that have been, And that fu - ture years shall see,  
 And the Babe, the world's re - deem - er, First re - vealed His sa - cred face,  
 Let no tongue on earth be si - lent, Ev - 'ry voice in con - cert ring  
 Now He shines, the Long ex - pect - ed; Let cre - a - tion praise its Lord



Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. A - men.  
 Ev - er - more and ev - er - more.  
 Ev - er - more and ev - er - more.  
 Ev - er - more and ev - er - more.

Δ 5. Christ, to Thee, with God the Father,  
 And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee  
 Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving  
 And unending praises be,  
 Honor, glory, and dominion,  
 And eternal victory  
 Evermore and evermore. Amen.



**TLH 96 “Oh, Rejoice, Ye Christians, Loudly”**  
Christian Keimann, 1646

1. Oh, rejoice, ye Christians, loudly,  
For our joy hath now begun;  
Wondrous things our God hath done.  
Tell abroad His goodness proudly  
Who our race hath honored thus  
That He deigns to dwell with us.  
Joy O joy, beyond all gladness,  
Christ hath done away with sadness!  
Hence, all sorrow and repining,  
For the Sun of Grace is shining!

2. See, my soul, thy Savior chooses  
Weakness here and poverty;  
In such love He comes to thee  
Nor the hardest couch refuses;  
All He suffers for thy good,  
To redeem thee by His blood.  
Joy, O joy, beyond all gladness,  
Christ hath done away with sadness!  
Hence, all sorrow and repining,  
For the Sun of Grace is shining!

3. Lord, how shall I thank Thee rightly?  
I acknowledge that by Thee  
I am saved eternally.  
Let me not forget it lightly,  
But to Thee at All times cleave  
And my heart true peace receive.  
Joy, O joy, beyond all gladness,  
Christ hath done away with sadness!  
Hence, all sorrow and repining,  
For the Sun of Grace is shining!

4. Jesus, guard and guide Thy members,  
Fill Thy brethren with Thy grace,  
Hear their prayers in ev'ry place.  
Quicken now life's faintest embers;  
Grant all Christians, far and near,  
Holy peace, a glad New Year!  
Joy, O joy, beyond all gladness,  
Christ hath done away with sadness!  
Hence, all sorrow and repining,  
For the Sun of Grace is shining! Amen.

**Sequence Hymn**

**INSERT “Of the Father’s Love Begotten”**  
Aurelius C. Prudentius, died 413

1. Of the Father's love begotten  
Ere the worlds began to be,  
He is Alpha and Omega,

He the Source, the Ending He,  
Of the things that are, that have been,  
And that future years shall see  
Evermore and evermore.

2. Oh, that birth forever blessed  
When the Virgin, full of grace,  
By the Holy Ghost conceiving,  
Bare the Savior of our race,  
And the Babe, the world's Redeemer,  
First revealed His sacred face  
Evermore and evermore.

3. O ye heights of Heav'n, adore Him;  
Angel hosts, His praises sing;  
Pow'rs, dominions, bow before Him  
And extol our God and King.  
Let no tongue on Earth be silent,  
Ev'ry voice in concert ring  
Evermore and evermore.

4. This is He whom Heav'n-taught singers  
Sang of old with one accord;  
Whom the Scriptures of the prophets  
Promised in their faithful word.  
Now He shines, the Long-expected;  
Let creation praise its Lord  
Evermore and evermore.

Δ 5. Christ, to Thee, with God the Father,  
And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee  
Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving  
And unending praises be,  
Honor, glory, and dominion,  
And eternal victory  
Evermore and evermore. Amen.

**TLH 131 “The Star Proclaims the King Is Here”**  
Coelius Sedulius, about 450

1. The star proclaims the King is here;  
But, Herod, why this senseless fear?  
He takes no realms of Earth away  
Who gives the realms of heav'nly day.

2. The wiser Magi see from far  
And follow on His guiding star;  
And led by light, to light they press  
And by their gifts their God confess.

3. Within the Jordan's crystal flood  
In meekness stands the Lamb of God  
And, sinless, sanctifies the wave,  
Mankind from sin to cleanse and save.



4. At Cana first His power is shown;  
His might the blushing waters own  
And, changing as He speaks the word,  
Flow wine, obedient to their Lord.

5. All glory, Jesus, be to Thee  
For this Thy glad epiphany;  
Whom with the Father we adore  
And Holy Ghost forevermore. Amen.

**TLH 265 “Thine Honor Save, O Christ, Our Lord”**  
Johann Heermann, 1630

1. Thine honor save, O Christ, our Lord!  
Hear Zion’s cries and help afford;  
Destroy the wiles of mighty foes  
Who now Thy Word and truth oppose.

2. Their craft and pomp indeed are great,  
And of their pow’r thy boast and prate;  
Our hope they scornfully deride  
And deem us nothing in their pride.

3. Forgive, O Lord, our sins forgive;  
Grant us Thy grace and let us live.  
Convince Thy foes throughout the land  
That godless counsels shall not stand.

4. That Thou art with us, Lord, proclaim  
And put our enemies to shame;  
Confound them in their haughtiness  
And help Thine own in their distress.

5. Preserve Thy little flock in peace,  
Nor let Thy boundless mercy cease;  
To all the world let it appear  
That Thy true Church indeed is here. Amen.

**TLH 251 (Second Tune) “We All Believe in One True God”**  
Martin Luther, 1525

1. We all believe in one true God,  
Who created Earth and Heaven,  
The Father, Who to us in love  
Hath the right of children given.  
He both soul and body feedeth,  
All we need He doth provide us;  
He thro’ snares and perils leadeth,  
Watching that no harm betide us.  
He careth for us day and night,  
All things are governed by His might.

2. We all believe in Jesus Christ,  
His own Son, our Lord, possessing  
An equal Godhead, throne, and might,  
Source of ev’ry grace and blessing.  
Born of Mary, Virgin Mother,  
By the power of the Spirit,  
Made true man, our elder Brother,  
That the lost might life inherit;  
Was crucified for sinful men  
And raised by God to life again.

3. We all confess the Holy Ghost,  
Who sweet grace and comfort giveth  
And with the Father and the Son  
In eternal glory liveth;  
Who the Church, His own creation,  
Keeps in unity of spirit.  
Here forgiveness and salvation  
Daily come thro’ Jesus’ merit.  
All flesh shall rise, and we shall be  
In bliss with God eternally. Amen.

**TLH 361 “O Jesus, King Most Wonderful”**  
Unknown, 12<sup>th</sup> century

1. O Jesus, King most wonderful,  
Thou Conqueror renowned,  
Thou Sweetness most ineffable,  
In Whom all joys are found!

2. When once Thou visitest the heart,  
The truth begins to shine,  
Then earthly vanities depart,  
Then kindles love divine.

3. O Jesus, Light of all below,  
Thou Fount of life and fire,  
Surpassing all the joys we know,  
All that we can desire—

4. May every heart confess Thy Name  
And ever Thee adore  
And, seeking Thee, itself inflame  
To seek Thee more and more!

5. Thee may our tongues forever bless,  
Thee may we love alone,  
And ever in our lives express  
The image of Thine own! Amen.