

Waupun United Methodist Church, Waupun, WI
Worship Supplement – 1/7/2024

Arise, Shine

Arise, shine,
for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord
has risen upon you.

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We Three Kings

**We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.**

**O star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright,
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.**

**Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown him again,
King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign.**

**O star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright,
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.**

**Frankincense to offer have I; incense owns a Deity nigh;
prayer and praising, voices raising, worshipping God on high.**

**O star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright,
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.**

**Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom;
sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone cold tomb.**

**O star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright,
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.**

**Glorious now behold him arise; King and God and sacrifice:
Alleluia, Alleluia, sounds through the earth and skies.**

**O star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright,
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.**

“Arise, Jerusalem! Let your light shine for all to see.

For the glory of the LORD rises to shine on you.

² Darkness as black as night covers all the nations of the earth,
but the glory of the LORD rises and appears over you.

³ All nations will come to your light;
mighty kings will come to see your radiance.

⁴ “Look and see, for everyone is coming home!
Your sons are coming from distant lands;
your little daughters will be carried home.

⁵ Your eyes will shine,
and your heart will thrill with joy,
for merchants from around the world will come to you.

They will bring you the wealth of many lands.

⁶ Vast caravans of camels will converge on you,
the camels of Midian and Ephah.

The people of Sheba will bring gold and frankincense
and will come worshiping the LORD.

New Living Translation (NLT)

The First Noel

**They looked up and saw a star shining in the east, beyond them far; and to the earth
it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night.**

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

**And by the light of that same star three Wise Men came from country far; to seek for
a king was their intent, and to follow the star wherever it went.**

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

**This star drew nigh to the northwest, o’er Bethlehem it took its rest; and there it did
both stop and stay, right over the place where Jesus lay.**

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

**Then entered in those Wise Men three, full reverently upon the knee, and offered
there, in his presence, their gold and myrrh and frankincense.**

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

Bible Reading

Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem,² asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews?”

For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.”³ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him;⁴ and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born.⁵ They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:⁶ ‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.’”

⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared.⁸ Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.”⁹ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was.¹⁰ When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy.¹¹ On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.¹² And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road. New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Song of Thanksgiving Angels, We Have Heard on High

**Angels we have heard on high sweetly singing o’er the plains,
and the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains.**

**Glo-----ria, in excelsis Deo!
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Joy to the World

**Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her king; let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,**

and heaven and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the world, the Savior reigns!

**Let all their songs employ while fields and floods, rocks, hill, and plains
repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**

**No more let sins and sorrows grow,
nor thorns infest the ground; he comes to make his blessings flow
far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.**

**He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness,
and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.**