

CHRISTMAS VIGIL—YEAR A, B, C**Entrance Antiphon** (*Sacramentary*)*Exodus 16: 6-7* “Today you will know that the Lord is coming to save us, and in the morning you will see his glory.”**Title of Anthem, Voicing & Instrumentation****Composer/arranger/editor****Publisher & edition #***No anthems have been submitted for this scripture.***CHRISTMAS VIGIL—YEAR A, B, C****Old Testament: *Isaiah 62: 1-5*** (*Lectinary #13*)

“For Zion’s sake I will not be silent, for Jerusalem’s sake I will not be quiet,
until her vindication shines forth like the dawn and her victory like a burning torch.

Nations shall behold your vindication, and all the kings your glory;
you shall be called by a new name pronounced by the mouth of the Lord.

You shall be a glorious crown on the hand of the Lord,
a royal diadem held by your God.

No more shall people call you ‘Forsaken,’ or your land ‘Desolate,’
but you shall be called ‘My Delight,’ and your land ‘Espoused.’

For the Lord delights in you and makes your land his spouse.

As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you;
and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you.”

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In Every Place Incense Shall be Offered Up (SATB, Organ)

West, John E.

Novello (619)

Prepare the Way! (SAB or SATB, Organ)

Brandon, George

Concordia (98-2269)

CHRISTMAS VIGIL—YEAR A, B, C**Response: Psalm 89: 4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (Lectionary #13)**

“For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.”

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Blessed Is the People (SATB)

Wiscomb, Jeff

Boston Music (13935)

Your Love, O Lord, Forever Will I Sing (SATB, Organ)

Hallock, Peter

GIA (G-2078)

CHRISTMAS VIGIL—YEAR A, B, C**New Testament: Acts 13: 16-17, 22-25 (Lectionary #13)**

“When Paul reached Antioch in Pisidia and entered the synagogue, he stood up motioned with his hand, and said,

‘Fellow Israelites and you others who are God-fearing, listen.

The God of this people Israel chose our ancestors and exalted the people during their sojourn in the land of Egypt.

With uplifted arms he led them out of it. Then he removed Saul and raised up David as king; of him he testified,

I have found David, son of Jesse, a man after my own heart; he will carry out my every wish.

From this man’s descendants God, according to his promise, has brought to Israel a savior, Jesus.

John heralded his coming by proclaiming a baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel;

and as John was completing his course, he would say,

‘What do you suppose that I am? I am not he.

Behold, one is coming after me; I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet.’”

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CHRISTMAS VIGIL—YEAR A, B, C**Gospel: *Matthew 1: 1-25* (Lectionary #13)**

“This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about.

When his mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found with child through the Holy Spirit.

Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly.

Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said,

‘Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home.

For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.’

All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet:

Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means God with us.

When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home.

He had no relations with her until she bore a son, and he named him Jesus.”

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Behold! A Virgin Shall Be with Child (SATB)	LaMontaine, John	H.W. Gray (CMR-2374)
God Sent Forth His Son (SATB, Organ)	Gibbs, Allen O.	Abingdon (APM-966)
Hodie! Emmanuel! Gloria! (SATB, percussion)	Price, Milburn	Hinshaw (HMC-157)

CHRISTMAS VIGIL—YEAR A, B, C**Communion Antiphon (Sacramentary)**

Isaiah 40: 5 “The glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all mankind will see the saving power of God.”

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All the Earth is Waiting (SSA)	Taule/Gunderson	Concordia (Logia) (98-3233)
And the Glory of the Lord from “ <i>Messiah</i> ” (SAB, SATB, keyboard or orchestra)	Handel, George F.	Various editions