




## Sing of God Made Manifest 156




1 Sing of God made man - i-fest in a child ro - bust and blest,  
 2 Sing of God made man - i-fest when at Jor - dan John con-fessed,  
 3 Sing of God made man - i-fest when Christ came as wed - ding guest  
 4 Sing of God made man - i-fest on the cloud-capped moun-tain's crest,



to whose home in Beth - le - hem where a star had guid-ed them,  
 "I should be bap-tized by you, but your bid-ding I will do."  
 and at Ca - na gave a sign, turn-ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
 where the law and proph-ets waned so that Christ a - lone re-mained:



ma - gi came and gifts un-bound, signs mys - te - rious and pro-found:  
 Then from heaven a dou - ble sign—dove-like Spir - it, voice di - vine—  
 fur - ther still was love re-vealed as he taught, for-gave, and healed,  
 glimpse of glo - ry, pledge of grace, given as Je - sus set his face

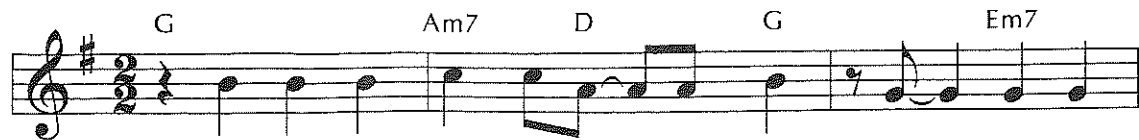


myrrh and frank-in-cense and gold grave and God and king fore - told.  
 hailed the true A-noint-ed One: "This is my be - lov - ed Son."  
 bring - ing light and life to all who would lis - ten to God's call.  
 towards the wait-ing cross and grave, sign of hope that God would save.

"Epiphany" means "manifestation" or "showing forth," and this text cites key disclosures of Jesus as Messiah: the coming of the Magi, his baptism by John the Baptist, the wedding at Cana. All are summed up in the Transfiguration, recalled on the Last Sunday after the Epiphany.

# The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing 505

## The Feast Is Ready



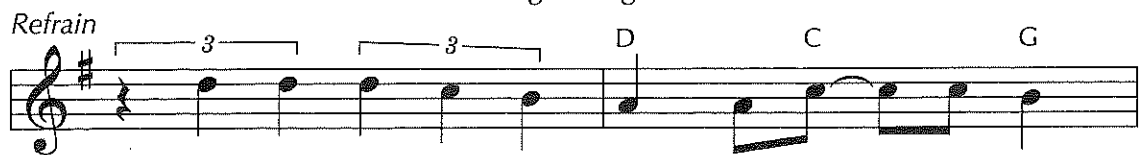
1 The trum-pets sound; the an - gels sing; the feast is  
 2 Ta - bles are la - den with good things; O taste the  
 3 The hun - gry heart he sat - is - fies, of - fers the



read - y to be - gin. The gates of heaven are o - pen wide,  
 peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love di - vine;  
 poor his par - a - dise. Now hear all heaven and earth ap-plaud



and Je - sus wel - comes you in - side.  
 he'll turn your wa - ter in - to wine.  
 the a - maz - ing good - ness of the Lord.



Sing with thank - ful - ness songs of pure de - light.



Come and rev - el in heav - en's love and light.



Take your place at the ta - ble of the King.



The feast is read - y to be - gin;



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This celebratory gathering song is cast in a highly rhythmic praise and worship style and brings together many images associated with the eucharistic feast. Despite its new sound, its emphasis on communion as a foretaste of the Heavenly Banquet is a very traditional theme.

## 435 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

1 There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness  
 2 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures

of the sea. There's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice,  
 of the mind. And the heart of the E - ter - nal

which is more than lib - er - ty. There is no place where earth's  
 is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were but more

sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven. There is no place  
 faith - ful, we would glad - ly trust God's Word, and our lives re -

where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.  
 flect thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of our Lord.

These stanzas, excerpted from quite a few more, offer a reminder that the model for our dealings with others should be God's generosity rather than limited human tolerance. The text is effectively set to a broad and sturdy Dutch folk melody, probably from the 17th century.