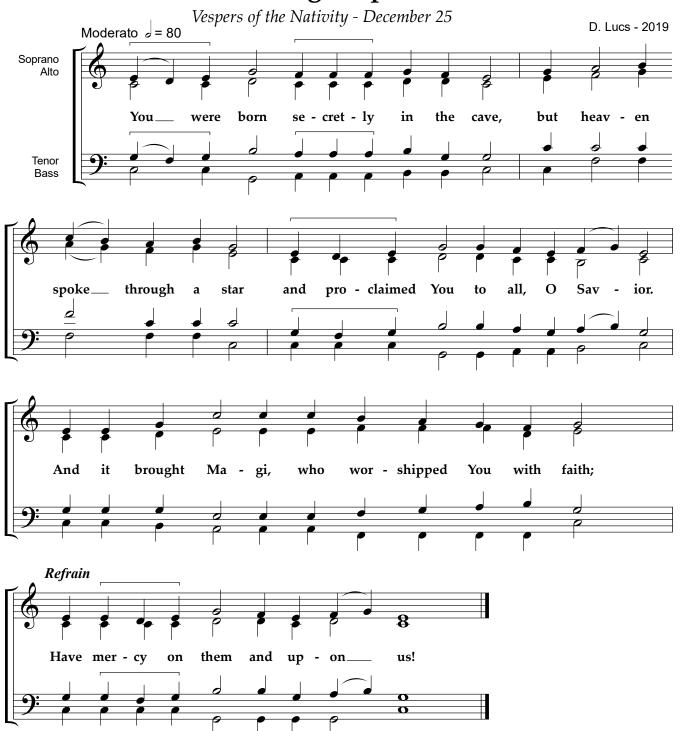
## 1st Reading Troparion



Reader: His foundations are on the holy mountains. The Lord loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

The star brought wise men who worshipped You with faith:

The Refrain is sung by the people.



Reader: Glorious things are spoken of you, O city of God. I will mention Rehab and Babylon to those who know me.

The star brought wise men who worshipped You with faith:

The Refrain is sung by the people.

Reader: Behold, O Philistines and the people of Tyre and Ethiopia, these were born there. The star brought wise men who worshipped You with faith:

The Refrain is sung by the people.

Reader: A man will say, "Zion is my mother," and "Such a man was born in her," and "The Most High Himself has founded her."

The star brought wise men who worshipped You with faith:

The Refrain is sung by the people.

Reader: The Lord will record in His register of the nations, the princes born in her. How joyful are all those whose home is in you!

The star brought wise men who worshipped You with faith:

The Refrain is sung by the people.

Reader: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

You have led the wise men to worship You; and joining them we magnify You:

The entire troparion is sung.