Rom the book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord God: A shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom. The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him: a spirit of wisdom and of understanding, a spirit of counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord, and his delight shall be the fear of the Lord. Not by appearance shall he judge, nor by hearsay shall he decide, but he shall judge the poor with justice, and decide for the afflicted. He shall strike the ruthless with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall slay the wicked. Justice shall be the band around his waist, and faithfulness a belt upon his hips. Then the wolf shall be a guest of the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; the calf and the young lion shall browse together, with a little child to guide them. The cow and the bear shall be neighbors, togethers their young shall rest; the lion shall eat hay like the ox. The baby shall play by the co-bra’s den, and the child lay his hand on the adder’s lair. There shall be no harm or ruin on all my holy mountain;
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for the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the Lord as

water covers the sea. On that day, the root of Jesse,

set up as a signal for the nations, the Gentiles shall seek

out, for his dwelling shall be glorious.

Cantor:

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O-day, for our sake, the King of heaven chose to be

born of his virgin mother, to reclaim lost men for the heavenly

kingdom.

Congregation:

* All the angels cry aloud with joy, for God has come himself
to save mankind.

Cantor:

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.

Congregation:

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