NATIVITY OF THE LORD - PROPER III

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Isaiah 52:7-10 • Psalm 98 • Hebrews 1:1-4, (5-12)
John 1:1-14
In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

John 1:1
In the Beginning Was the Word

Josef Krautwald
St. Dionysius Parish
Church, Recht, Germany
He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being.

John 1:2-3a
God’s Authority – “In the beginning ...” – Seth Drum, graphic art
What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

John 1:3b-4
African Nativity

St. Sebaldu
Nuremburg, Germany
Adoration of the Shepherds -- Gerrit van Honthorst, Wallraf-Richartz Museum, Cologne, GDR
Mother and Child -- Charles Bartlett
The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

John 1:5
Light of the World -- Presentation by youth with gloves in dark space
There was a man sent from God, whose name was John.

John 1:6
Birth and Naming of John the Baptist -- Father George Saget, Keur Moussa Abbey, Kenya
John the Baptist

Mosaic,
Hagia Sophia
Istanbul, Turkey
He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him.

John 1:7
Light from the Dome

Oscar Niemeyer
Brasilia Cathedral
Brasilia, Brazil
He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light.

John 1:8
Christ Be Our Light

LaSalette Festival
Attleboro, MA
The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

John 1:9
Birth of Christ

Chinese

c. 2000
And the Word became flesh and lived among us ... full of grace and truth.

John 1:14ac
Jesus as a Child -- JESUS MAFA, Cameroon