

Those dear tokens of his Passion
still his dazzling body bears,
cause of endless exultation
to his ransomed worshippers:
with what rapture
gaze we on those glorious scars!

Yea, amen, let all adore thee,
high on thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory,
claim the kingdom for thine own:
O come quickly!
Alleluia! Come, Lord, come!

Words: Charles Wesley & John Cennick

Music: 18th century English melody Descant: Christopher Robinson (1936-)

FINAL PRAYERS & BLESSING

We wait for your loving-kindness, O Lord.

All **In the midst of your temple.**

The whole creation pleads:

All **Come, Lord Jesus!**

The Spirit and the Church cry out:

All **Come, Lord Jesus!**

All those who await his appearance cry out:

All **Come, Lord Jesus!**

Christ the Sun or Righteousness shine upon you,
scatter the darkness from before your path,
and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory:
and the blessing...

All **Amen.**

CHOIR

Brich an, du schönes Morgenlicht

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und laß den Himmel tagen!
Du Hirtenvolk, er schrecke nicht
weil dir die Engel sagen,
daß diese schwache Knäbelein
soll unser Trost und Freude sein,
dazu den Satan zwingen
.und letztlich Frieden bringen.

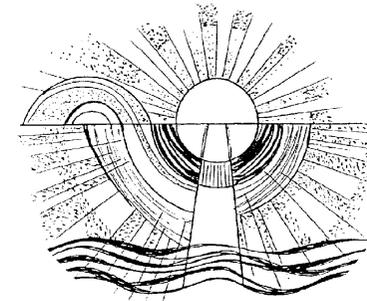
*Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light,
and usher in the morning;
O shepherds, shrink not with affright,
but hear the angel's warning.
This child, now weak in infancy,
our confidence and joy shall be,
the power of Satan breaking,
our peace eternal making.*

Words: Johann Rist (1641) Music: J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

St Andrew's, Chesterton

A Service for Advent & Andrewtide

Sunday 28 November 2021



ORDER OF SERVICE

¶ *The congregation remains seated*

CHOIR

Matins Responsory

I look from afar: and lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth.

Go ye out to meet him and say: 'Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel?'

High and low, rich and poor, one with another, go ye out to meet him and say: 'Hear, O thou shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep, tell us, art thou he that should come?'

Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come to reign over thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

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Words: 1st Responsory of Advent Sunday (early Roman rite) Music: G.P. da Palestrina (1525/6-1594)

¶ *The congregation stands*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel!
Redeem thy captive Israel,
that into exile drear is gone
far from the face of God's dear Son.
*Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*
2. O come, thou Branch of Jesse! Draw
the quarry from the lion's claw;
from the dread caverns of the grave,
from nether hell, thy people save.
Rejoice! etc.
3. O come, O come, thou Dayspring bright!
Pour on our souls thy healing light;
Dispel the long night's ling'ring gloom,
And pierce the shadows of the tomb.
Rejoice! etc.
4. O come, thou Lord of David's Key!
The royal door fling wide and free;
Safeguard for us the heav'nward road,
And bar the way to death's abode.
Rejoice! etc.

5. O come, O come, Adonai,
Who in thy glorious majesty
From that high mountain clothed with awe
Gavest thy folk the elder law.

*Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

Words: Latin c.13th century, tr T A Lacey Music: French, 15th century

¶ *The congregation remains standing for the Bidding Prayer*

BIDDING PRAYER

Beloved in Christ, the season of Advent bids us prepare ourselves both for the celebration of Christ's nativity as also for the day when he shall come to judge the hearts of us all. So, in sorrow and penitence, let us confess our failures and shortcomings, and renew in ourselves the vision of God's perfect kingdom, which is the end of all our strivings and the consummation of God's loving purposes for us.

In word and music we will give voice to the hope set forth in the scriptures, and foreseen by the prophet Isaiah, that through the promised Messiah God's kingdom will come; with John the Baptist we will prepare for his coming, and with Andrew the Apostle, our patron saint, we will commit ourselves to following Christ's call and to drawing others into the life of that kingdom.

But first let us pray for those who, by reason of their adversity, yearn especially for its coming: the hungry and the homeless, the sick and the sorrowful, the

He hath put down the mighty from their seat :
and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things :
and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel :
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Music: 'Collegium Regale', Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

¶ *The congregation sits*

SEVENTH LESSON

Revelation 22.1-12

The river of life flows through the city

CHOIR

And I saw a new Heaven

And I saw a new Heaven and a new earth
For the first heaven and the first earth were passed away
and there was no more sea, And I John saw the holy city,
Jerusalem coming down from God out of heaven,
prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.
And I heard a great voice out of heaven, saying,
Behold the tabernacle of God is with men
and he will dwell with them and they shall be his people,
and God himself shall be with them and be their God
And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes
And there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying
neither shall there be any more pain for the former things are passed away.

Words: Revelation 21.1-4 Music: Edgar L. Bainton (1880-1956)

REFLECTION & PRAYERS

HYMN

Lo, he comes with clouds descending,
once for favoured sinners slain;
thousand thousand saints attending
swell the triumph of his train:
 alleluia!
Christ appears on earth to reign.

Every eye shall now behold him
robed in dreadful majesty;
those who set at naught and sold him,
pierced and nailed him to the tree,
 deeply wailing,
shall the true Messiah see.

HYMN

Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult
of our life's wild restless sea
day by day his sweet voice soundeth,
saying, 'Christian, follow me;'

As of old Saint Andrew heard it
by the Galilean lake,
turned from home and toil and kindred,
leaving all for his dear sake.

For thou art our salvation, Lord,
our refuge and our great reward ;
without thy grace we waste away,
like flowers that wither and decay.

To heal the sick stretch out thine hand,
and bid the fallen sinner stand ;
shine forth, and let thy light restore
earth's own true loveliness once more.

Jesus calls us: by thy mercies,
Saviour, make us hear thy call,
give our hearts to thine obedience,
serve and love thee best of all.

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (née Humphreys) (1874-1895) Music: John Stainer (1840-1901)

¶ *The congregation remains standing*

SIXTH LESSON

Matthew 4.18-22

The call of Andrew and the other fishermen by the Sea of Galilee

At the end

This is the gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

¶ *The congregation remains standing*

CHOIR

Magnificat

Antiphon:

O Wisdom, which camest out of the mouth of the most High,
and reachest from one end to another, mightily, and sweetly ordering all things:
come and teach us the way of prudence.

My soul doth magnify the Lord : and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded : the lowliness of his hand-maiden.

For behold, from henceforth : all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me : and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him : throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm :

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

lonely and the unloved; those who sit in the darkness of despair or who walk in the shadow of death. Let us pray for the leaders of the nations and for all who strive for the establishment of justice, righteousness and peace; and, that it may bear witness to this hope in a world divided by wrath and sorrow, let us pray for the well-being and unity of Christ's body, the Church.

These prayers and praises let us humbly offer up to the Throne of Heaven, in the words which Christ himself hath taught us:

All **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

May the Lord when he comes find us watching and waiting. **Amen.**

¶ *The Congregation sits*

CHOIR

This is the truth sent from above

This is the truth sent from above,
The truth of God, the God of love,
Therefore don't turn me from your door,
But hearken all both rich and poor.
The first thing which I do relate
Is that God did man create;
The next thing which to you I tell
Woman was made with man to dwell.
And we were heirs to endless woes,
Till God the Lord did interpose;

And so a promise soon did run
That He would redeem us by His Son.
And at that season of the year
Our blest Redeemer did appear,
He here did live and here did preach,
And many thousands he did teach.
Thus He in love to us behaved,
To show us how we must be saved
And if you want to know the way
Be please'd to hear what He did say.

Herefordshire folk carol Music: R. Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), arr. Christopher Robinson (1936-)

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 2.8=20

Enmity is established between the serpent and the mother of all living beings

CHOIR***Ther is no rose***

Ther is no rose of swych vertu
 As is the rose that bare Jhesu. Alleluya.
 For in this rose conteyned was
 Heven and erthe in lytyl space; Res miranda.
 Ther is no rose of swych vertu
 By that rose we my weel see
 That he is God in persoyns thre: Pares forma.
 Ther is no rose of swych vertu...
 The aungelys sungyn the shepherdes to:
 'Gloria in excelsis Deo': Gaudeamus.
 Ther is no rose of swych vertu ...

15th century (Trinity Roll)

SECOND LESSON**Isaiah 7.10-16**

A young woman is with child

HYMN

<p>The people that in darkness sat a glorious light have seen ; the light has shined on them who long in shades of death have been.</p> <p>To hail thee, Sun of Righteousness, the gathering nations come ; they joy as when the reapers bear their harvest treasures home.</p> <p>For thou their burden dost remove, and break the tyrant's rod, as in the day when Midian fell before the sword of God.</p>	<p>For unto us a child is born, to us a Son is given, and on his shoulder ever rests all power in earth and heaven.</p> <p>His name shall be the Prince of Peace, the everlasting Lord, the Wonderful, the Counsellor, the God by all adored.</p> <p>His righteous government and power shall over all extend ; on judgement and on justice based, his reign shall have no end.</p>
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Lord Jesus, reign in us, we pray,
 and make us thine alone,
 who with the Father ever art
 and Holy Spirit One.

Words: John Morrison (1750-1798), based on Isaiah 9.2-7. Music: Scottish Psalter (1615)

THIRD LESSON**Isaiah 35.1-10**

The return of the Redeemed to Zion

CHOIR***Benedicamus Domino***

<p>Procedenti puero, Eya, nobis annus est: Virginis ex utero — Gloria, laudes! Deus homo factus est — et immortalis. Sine viri semine Natus est de virgine; Sine viri copia Natus est ex Maria. In hoc festo determino Benedicamus Domino.</p>	<p><i>For the advent of a child, Hurrah! the season is upon us. From a virgin's womb — Glory, praises! God has been made man — and immortal. Without a husband's seed He has been born of a virgin; Without recourse to a husband He has been born of Mary. Upon this festal tide. Let us bless the Lord.</i></p>
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Words from Sloane Ms 2593 Music: Peter Warlock (1894–1930)

FOURTH LESSON**Ecclesiasticus 24.1-9**

Wisdom opens her mouth

CHOIR***O Weisheit***

O Weisheit hervorgegangen aus dem Munde des Höchsten,
 die Welt umspannst du von einem Ende zum andern
 in Kraft und Milde ordnest du alles:
 O komm und offenbare uns den Weg der Weisheit und der Einsicht.

*O Wisdom, coming from the mouth of the Most High,
 you span the world in an embrace, from one end to the other,
 in might and meekness you order all things:
 O come and open for us the way of wisdom and prudence.*

From Sieben Magnificat-Antiphonen Music: Arvo Pärt (b. 1935)

FIFTH LESSON**Ezekiel 47.1-12**

A river flows from the Temple