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LLANDAFF CATHEDRAL



A SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS & CAROLS

Friday 22nd December
and
Sunday 24th December 2023

4.00pm

Croeso | Welcome

We warmly welcome you to LLANDAFF CATHEDRAL for this service of Nine Lessons and Carols. The service of Nine Lessons and Carols has humble beginnings. It is adapted from an order drawn up by E. W. Benson, who later became the Archbishop of Canterbury, for a Christmas Eve service in a wooden shed which was being used as the cathedral in Truro in 1880. The format has been made famous since it was first used at King's College, Cambridge, in 1918. The service then found the airwaves in 1928 and, with the exception of 1930, has been broadcast every year since.

The service tells the story of Christmas through a series of readings from the Bible. It begins with the Fall of Humanity and then the earliest promises of Redemption through Jesus the Messiah. It continues by exploring the hopes of the Old Testament prophets, which are fulfilled by the birth of Christ as told in the Gospels. As the name of the service implies, the narrative is reinforced through the singing of carols and hymns.



*Everything you need to follow the service is in this booklet. Please join in the singing of the hymns, as well as the text printed in **Bold**. The rubrics (denoted with §) in this service indicating when to *stand* and *sit* are suggestions only. Please follow them as you are able. If you are more comfortable remaining seated throughout the service, please do so.*

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The service is sung by the Choir of Llandaff Cathedral, directed by Stephen Moore, Director of Music. The Organ is played by Aaron Shilson, Assistant Director of Music.

MUSIC BEFORE THE SERVICE

ON THE 22ND DECEMBER.

§ *The Assistant Director of Music plays:*

Rorate Caeli

Melissa Dunphy (b. 1980)

from Symphonie Passion, Op. 23:

Le monde dans l'attente du Sauveur

Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

from the Orgelbüchlein:

Puer natus in Bethlehem BWV 603

Der Tag, der ist so freudenreich BWV 605

Vom Himmel hoch, da komm ich her BWV 606

In dulci jubilo BWV 608

Jesu, meine Freude BWV 610

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Desseins éternels *from La Nativité du Seigneur*

Olivier Messiaen (1908-92)

ON THE 24TH DECEMBER.

§ *The Assistant Director of Music plays:*

Rorate Caeli

Jeanne Demessieux (1921-68)

§ *A student plays:*

Grand Chœur

Théodore-César Salomé (1834-96)

§ *The Assistant Director of Music plays:*

from Symphonie Passion, Op. 23:

Le monde dans l'attente du Sauveur

Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

Celtic Lullaby

Noel Rawsthorne (1929-2019)

Weinachten, Op.145 No.3

Max Reger (1873-1916)

In Dulci Jubilo BuxWV 197

Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

ORDER OF SERVICE

§ Please stand as the Clergy Procession enters. A period of silence will follow.

§ The choir begin the service in the Lady Chapel.

HYMN

1.

Solo Once in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby
In a manger for his bed:
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little child.

2.

Choir only He came down to earth from heaven
Who is God and Lord of all,
And his shelter was a stable,
And his cradle was a stall:
With the poor and mean and lowly,
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.



3.

All And through all his wondrous childhood
He would honour and obey,
Love, and watch the lowly maiden,
In whose gentle arms he lay;
Christian children all must be
Mild, obedient, good as he.



4.

For he is our childhood's pattern,
Day by day like us he grew,
He was little, weak and helpless,
Tears and smiles like us he knew:
And he feeleth for our sadness,
And he shareth in our gladness.

5.

And our eyes at last shall see him,
Through his own redeeming love,
For that child so dear and gentle
Is our Lord in heaven above:
And he leads his children on
To the place where he is gone.

6.

Not in that poor lowly stable
With the oxen standing by,
We shall see him: but in heaven,
Set at God's right hand on high,
Where like stars his children crowned,
All in white shall wait around.

Words: Cecil Francis Alexander (1818–95)

Music: IRBY
Henry John Gauntlett (1805–76)

§ *Please remain standing.*

THE BIDDING

My brothers and sisters: in the name of Christ I welcome you.

We have come together as Christmas draws near to prepare for our celebration of the birth of God's beloved Son. Through the days of Advent we have followed the light of Christ, and now we travel in spirit with Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem to acclaim with the multitude of the heavenly host the coming of the Prince of Peace. Through Scripture and silence, prayer and choral music, let us hear again the wonderful story of our redemption, and, hearing, let us rejoice and respond with lively faith.

Almighty God, you have given us your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin: grant that we, rejoicing in the coming of your living and eternal Word, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

All **Amen.**

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
that 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.**

CAROL

Choir On Christmas night all Christians sing,
To hear the news the angels bring,
News of great joy, news of great mirth,
News of our merciful King's birth.

Then why should men on earth be so sad?
Since our Redeemer made us glad,
When from our sin he set us free,
All for to gain our liberty?

When sin departs before his grace,
Then life and health come in its place.
Angels and men with joy may sing,
All for to see the newborn King.

All out of darkness we have light
Which made the angels sing this night
'Glory to God and peace to men
Now and for evermore. Amen.'

Words: Traditional

Music: Sussex Carol
English traditional carol
melody collected by Ralph Vaughan Williams
arranged by Bryan Kelly (b.1934)

FIRST LESSON

God tells sinful Adam that he has lost the life of Paradise and that his seed will bruise the serpent's head.

They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." The Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

And to the man he said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree about which I commanded you, 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

Genesis 3. 8-15, 17-19

Thanks be to God

CAROL

Choir 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,
That God at first did man create
The next thing, which to you I tell,
Woman was made with him to dwell.

Then after this, 'twas God's own choice
To place them both in Paradise,
There to remain from evil free
Except they ate of such a tree.

But they did eat, which was a sin,
And thus their ruin did begin;
Ruined themselves, both you and me,
And all of their posterity.

Thus we were heirs to endless woes,
Till God the Lord did interpose
For so a promise soon did run
That He'd redeem us by his Son.

Words: English Traditional Carol

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

SECOND LESSON

God promises to faithful Abraham that in his seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed.

The angel of the Lord called to Abraham a second time from heaven, and said, "By myself I have sworn, says the Lord: Because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will indeed bless you, and I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of their enemies, and by your offspring shall all the nations of the earth gain blessing for themselves, because you have obeyed my voice."

Genesis 22. 15-18

Thanks be to God.

HYMN

§ *Please stand to sing:*



1.

All Long ago, prophets knew
Christ would come, born a Jew,
come to make all things new;
bear his people's burden,
freely love and pardon.
Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!
Sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!
When he comes,
when he comes,
who will make him welcome?

2.

God in time, God in man,
this is God's timeless plan:
He will come, as a man,
born himself of woman,
God divinely human:
Refrain

3.

Mary hail! Though afraid,
she believed, she obeyed.
In her womb, God is laid:
till the time expected,
nurtured and protected,
Refrain



4.

Journey ends! Where afar
Bethlehem shines, like a star,
stable door stands ajar.
unborn Son of Mary,
Saviour, do not tarry!

Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!

Sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!

Jesus comes!

Jesus comes!

We will make him welcome!

Words: Fred Pratt Green (1903–2000)

Music: PERSONENT HODIE
melody from Piaae Cantiones,
arranged by Stephen Moore (b.1985)

§ *Please sit.*

THIRD LESSON

The Prophet foretells the coming of the Saviour.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder.

For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

Isaiah 9. 2-7

Thanks be to God

CAROL

Choir The holly and the ivy,
when they are both full grown,
of all the trees that are in the wood,
the holly bears the crown.

*O the rising of the sun
and the running of the deer,
the playing of the merry organ,
sweet singing in the choir.*

The holly bears a prickle
as sharp as any thorn,
and Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
on Christmas Day in the morn.

The holly bears a bark,
as bitter as any gall,
and Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
for to redeem us all.

The holly and the ivy,
when they are both full grown,
of all the trees that are in the wood,
the holly bears the crown.

Words: English Folk Carols (1911 London, Sharp)

Music: French Traditional
arranged by June Nixon (b.1942)

PEDWERYDD LLITH

Mae'r Proffwyd Mica yn rhagweld gogoniant Bethlehem bach.

Ond ti, Bethlehem Effrata, sy'n fechan i fod ymhlith llwythau Jwda, ohonot ti y daw allan i mi un i fod yn llywodraethwr yn Israel, a'i darddiad yn y gorffennol, mewn dyddiau gynt.

Felly fe'u gedy hyd amser esgor yr un feichiog, ac yna fe ddychwel y rhai fydd yn weddill yn Israel at eu tylwyth.

Fe saif ac arwain y praidd yn nerth yr Arglwydd, ac ym mawredd enw'r Arglwydd ei Dduw. A byddant yn ddiogel, oherwydd bydd ef yn fawr hyd derfynau'r ddaear;

Micha 5. 2-4

Diolch a fo i Dduw

FOURTH LESSON

The Prophet Micah foretells the glory of little Bethlehem.

But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.

Therefore will he give them up, until the time that she which travaileth hath brought forth: then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel.

And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God; and they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth.

Micah 5. 2-4

Thanks be to God.

HYMN

§ *Please stand to sing:*



All 1.
O little town of Bethlehem,
how still we see thee lie!
above thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
the everlasting light;
the hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee to-night.

2.
O morning stars, together
proclaim the holy birth
and praises sing to God the King,
and peace to men on earth;
for Christ is born of Mary;
and, gathered all above,
while mortals sleep, the angels keep
their watch of wondering love.



3.
How silently, how silently,
the wondrous gift is given!
so God imparts to human hearts
the blessings of his heaven.
No ear may hear his coming;
but in this world of sin,
where meek souls will receive him, still
the dear Christ enters in.

4.
O holy child of Bethlehem,
descend to us, we pray;
cast out our sin, and enter in,
be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
the great glad tidings tell:
O come to us, abide with us,
our Lord Emmanuel.

Words: Phillips Brooks (1835-93)

Music: FOREST GREEN
Anonymous English

FIFTH LESSON

The Angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary.

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said,

“Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you.”

But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.”

Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I am a virgin?” The angel said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God.

Then Mary said, “Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.” Then the angel departed from her.

Luke 1. 26-35, 38

Thanks be to God

CAROL

Choir The angel Gabriel from heaven came,
his wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
'All hail,' said he, 'Thou lowly maiden Mary,'
most highly favoured lady: Gloria!

'For known a blessed mother thou shalt be,
all generations laud and honour thee,
thy son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold,'
most highly favoured lady: Gloria!

Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head,
'To me be as it pleaseth God,' she said,
'my soul shall laud and magnify God's holy name,'
most highly favoured lady: Gloria!

Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ, was born
in Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,
and Christian folk throughout the world will ever say:
most highly favoured lady: Gloria!

Words: Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924)

Music: Basque carol
arranged by David Willcocks (1919-2015)

SIXTH LESSON

Saint Luke tells of the birth of Jesus.

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered.

Joseph went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child.

While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

Luke 2. 1-7

Thanks be to God.

CAROL

Choir Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head;
the stars in the sky looked down where He lay,
the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the poor baby wakes,
but little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes.
I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky
and stay by my cradle 'till morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask Thee to stay
close by me forever, and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,
and fit us for heaven, to live with Thee there.

Words: Anonymous American (1882)

Music: James R. Murray (1841-1905)
Arranged by Paul Edwards (b.1955), Op.479

SEVENTH LESSON

The shepherds go to the manger.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night.

Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see - I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

“Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favours!”

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.”

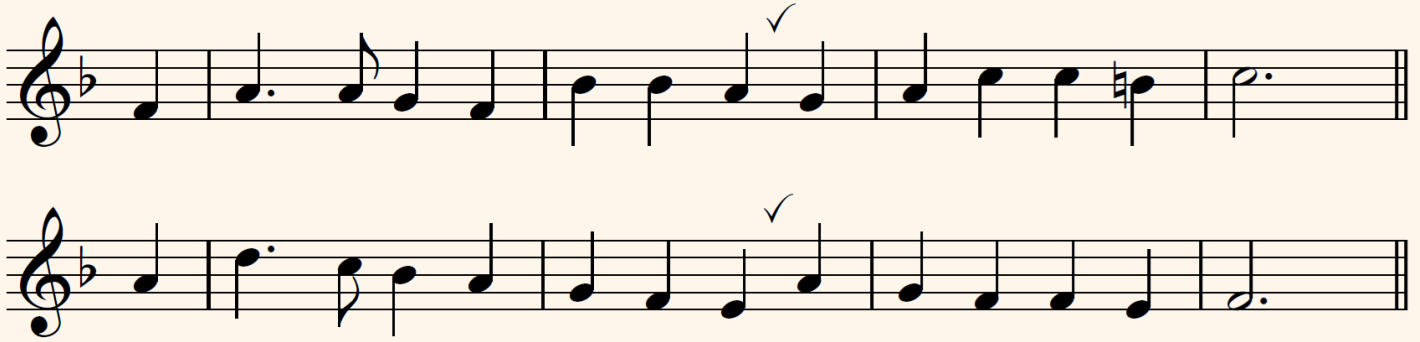
So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger.

Luke 2. 8-16

Thanks be to God

HYMN

§ *Please stand to sing:*



All While shepherds watched their flocks by night,
All seated on the ground,
The angel of the Lord came down,
And glory shone around.

‘Fear not,’ said he (for mighty dread
Had seized their troubled mind);
‘Glad tidings of great joy I bring
To you and all mankind.

‘To you in David's town this day
Is born of David's line
A Saviour, who is Christ the Lord;
And this shall be the sign:

A dyma'r arwydd fydd i chwi:
Cewch faban yn ei grud
Mewn preseb llwm yn llety'r ych
A'r gwellt amdano'n glyd!

Yn sydyn gyda'r seraff roedd
Llu mawr o engyl glân
Yn llenwi'r nef mewn moliant pur
I Dduw, ar lafar gân:

‘Gogoniant i'r Goruchaf Dduw,
Tangnefedd is y nef;
I ddynion bydd ewyllys da
Byth mwy, o'i eni Ef.’

Words: Nahum Tate (1652-1715)

Music: WINCHESTER OLD
from Este's Psalter (1592)

EIGHTH LESSON

The wise men are led by the star to Jesus.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.” When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born.

They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel.’”

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.”

When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Matthew 2. 1-11

Thanks be to God

CAROL

Choir Deep in the cold of winter,
Darkness and silence were everywhere;
Softly and clearly, there came through the stillness
a wonderful sound to hear:
All bells in paradise I heard them ring,
Sounding in majesty the news that they bring;
All bells in paradise I heard them ring,
Welcoming our Saviour, born on earth a heavenly King.
All bells in paradise I heard them ring:
'Glory to God on high' the angel voices sing.

Lost in awe and wonder,
Doubting I asked what this sign might be:
Christ our Messiah revealed in a stable,
A marvellous sight to see.
All bells in paradise I heard them ring,
Sounding in majesty the news that they bring;
All bells in paradise I heard them ring,
Welcoming our Saviour, born on earth a heavenly King.

He comes down in peace, a child in humility,
The keys to his kingdom belong to the poor;
Before him shall kneel the kings with their treasures,
gold incense and myrrh.
All bells in paradise I heard them ring,
Sounding in majesty the news that they bring;
All bells in paradise I heard them ring,
Welcoming our Saviour, born on earth a heavenly King.
All bells in paradise I heard them ring:
'Glory to God on high' the angel voices sweetly sing.

Words and Music: John Rutter (b.1945)

§ *Please stand.*

NINTH LESSON

Saint John unfolds the mystery of the Incarnation.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

John 1. 1-14

Thanks be to God

CAROL

Choir O magnum mysterium,
et admirabile sacramentum,
ut animalia viderent
Dominum natum,
jacentem in praeseptio!
Beata Virgo, cujus viscera
meruerunt portare
Dominum Christum.
Alleluia!

*O great mystery,
and wonderful sacrament,
that animals should see
the newborn Lord,
lying in a manger!
Blessed is the virgin whose womb
was worthy to bear
Christ the Lord.
Alleluia!*

Words: Magnificat Antiphon for Christmas Day

Music: Ivo Antognini (b.1963)

§ Please remain standing:

HYMN



1.

All O come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him
Born the King of Angels:
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord!

2.

Gwir Dduw O wir Dduw,
Llewyrch yw o Lewyrch,
Gwir Ddyn a aned o Forwyn bŵr;
Duw cenedledig
Ac nid gwneuthuredig:
O deuwch ac addolwn,
O deuwch ac addolwn,
O deuwch ac addolwn
Grist ein Duw.



3.
See how the Shepherds,
Summoned to his cradle,
Leaving their flocks, draw nigh with lowly fear;
We too will thither
Bend our joyful footsteps:
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord!

4.
Sing, choirs of Angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
Glory to God
In the Highest:
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord!

Words: Attributed to John. F. Wade (c.1711-86)

Music: ADESTE FIDELES
John Francis Wade (c.1711-86)
arranged by David Willcocks

§ *Please remain standing.*

THE COLLECT

Almighty God,
you make us glad with the yearly remembrance
of the birth of your only Son, Jesus Christ:
grant that, as we joyfully receive him as our redeemer,
so we may with sure confidence behold him
when he shall come to be our judge;
who is alive and reigns in you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE BLESSING

Christ the Son of God, born of Mary,
fill you with his grace to trust his promises and obey his will;

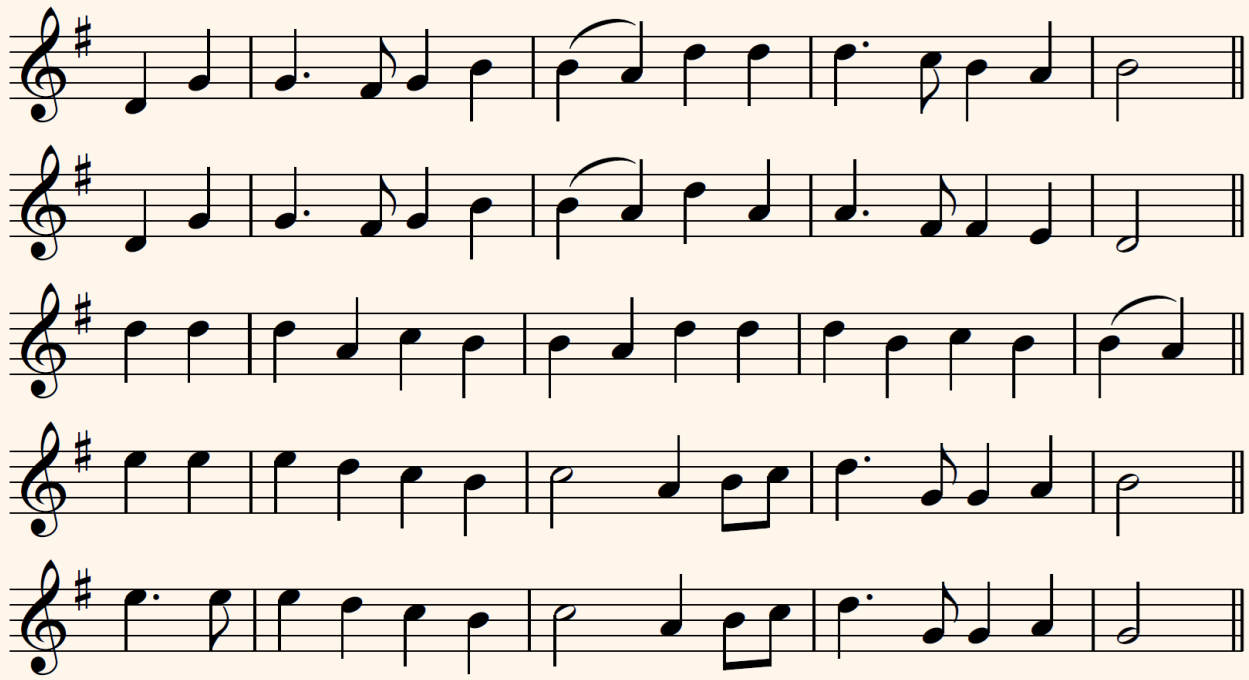
A ☩ bendith Duw hollalluog,
y Tad, y Mab, a'r Ysbryd Glân
a fo yn eich plith
ac a drigo gyda chwi yn
wastad.

All **Amen.**

And the ☩ blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy
Spirit,
be upon you
and remain with you now and always.

Amen.

HYMN



All Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born king;
Peace on earth and mercy mild
God and sinners reconciled:
Joyful all ye nations rise
Join the triumph of the skies
With the angelic hosts proclaim
Christ is born in Bethlehem
*Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King*

Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold him come
Offspring of a Virgin's womb!
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,
Hail the incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus our Emanuel:
*Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King*



Hail the heaven-born Prince of peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in his wings;
Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth:
*Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King.*

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-88) and others

Music: MENDELSSOHN
Felix Mendelssohn (1809-47)
arranged by David Willcocks

MUSIC AFTER THE SERVICE

§ *The Assistant Director of Music plays:*

In dulci jubilo, BWV 729

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

§ *Please remain standing as the Procession leaves the Cathedral.*

Toccata, Op. 104

Joseph Jongen (1873-1953)

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Monday 25th December - CHRISTMAS DAY

Holy Eucharist (1984)	8.00am
Holy Eucharist	9.00am
Choral Eucharist	11.00am

Tuesday 26th December - *Stephen, Deacon, First Martyr*

Holy Eucharist	9.30am
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Wednesday 27th December - *John, Apostle and Evangelist*

Holy Eucharist	9.30am
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Thursday 28th December - *The Holy Innocents*

Cymun Bendigaid	9.30am
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Sunday 31st December - *The First Sunday of Christmas*

Holy Eucharist (1984)	8.00am
Holy Eucharist with Hymns	10.00am

Tuesday 2nd January, 2024

Holy Eucharist	9.30am
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Thursday 4th January

Cymun Bendigaid	9.30am
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Sunday 7th January - THE EPIPHANY of OUR LORD

Holy Eucharist (1984)	8.00am
Holy Eucharist	9.00am
Choral Eucharist	11.00am
Choral Evensong	4.00pm

marking the retirement of The Ven. Mike Komor, Archdeacon of Margam

*On behalf of the Dean and Chapter of Llandaff Cathedral,
we wish you a very Happy Christmas.*



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