

Sunday 17th December - Third Sunday in Advent

Please stand as the Bible is brought into Church.

Welcome and Notices by our Church Secretary.

Call to Worship and Opening Prayers.

The Third Advent Candle is lit.

Hymn: 160 "O Come all ye Faithful"

Please remain standing for the Dedication of our Offertory.

Introduction to the Children from MMC and St. Georges Combined.

"The Nativity News".

Bible Reading Luke Chapter 2 verses 1 to 7 - Read by Emily.

The reason behind our story.

Hymn 145 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Song: "O Holy night" The first verse will be sung solo by Daisy.

Congregation please join in for verses 2 & 3 – words shown on screen

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Bible Reading Luke Chapter 2 verses 8 to 14 - Read by Emily.

Hymn 144 "It came upon the midnight clear"

Our story continues.

Hymn 146 "Away in a manger"

Bible Reading Matthew Chapter 2 verses 1 to 8 – Read by Emily.

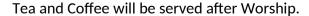
Hymn 135 "Joy to the world"

Prayers, Blessing and Threefold sung Amen

Our Children taking part.

Daniel, Emily, Heidi, Noah and Molly (and not forgetting Brian - whose time has yet to come), Daisy, Gabriel, Scarlett and Will.

This year we were able to welcome at our very 1st rehearsal a family from Iran - Daddy came to the area 5 years ago and it has taken him that length of time to see his wife and boys here to join him. It seems we have a REAL Christmas miracle in our midst. Sam and Kian are not yet in school here but have worked super hard on learning their lines - they spoke no English at all when they arrived four weeks ago and are looking forward to starting school when places can be found for them. It seems we have a very special cast for our Nativity this year.



A very warm welcome to Members and Friends worshipping with us this morning and particularly to the Members and young People from Morpeth Methodist Church. Our thanks to Revd. Julian Sanders and to our two Junior Churches for leading our Worship this morning and particularly to their Leaders for preparing the Service. Thanks also to our Orchestra for the music and to our Flower Committee for the decoration of the Church.

NOTICES

<u>Today Sunday 17th December</u> at 4.00 pm Evening Carol Service Joint at Morpeth Methodist Church at 4.00 pm.

Please note earlier time of service.

Wednesday 20th December WOW Service.

At 12.30 pm - Doors open at Noon with Tea & Coffee available.

Thursday 21st December at 2.00 pm Final Meeting of our Advent Course.

<u>Sunday 24th December</u> at 10.30 am Morning Worship for Christmas Eve. **AND**

At 11.30 pm Our Watchnight Service.

Monday 25th December at 10.00 am All Age Morning Worship for Christmas Day.

Wednesday 27th December WOW Service.

At 12.30 pm - Doors open at Noon with Tea & Coffee available.

AND At 6.30 to 7.30pm Churches Together Prayer Meeting.

<u>Sunday 31st December</u> at 10.30 am Morning Worship for New Year's Eve. This is a Joint Service with Morpeth Methodist Church at St. George's.



Please don't forget to collect your Christmas Cards from the box in the Vestibule and where possible deliver cards to Members and Friends who are unable to attend worship with us.