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Welcome to
The Church of Saint James the Greater
Leicester



ADVENT PROCESSION

SUNDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2021

Welcome to the Church of Saint James the Greater for our Advent Carol Service. Our thanks go out to Mike Rule, Guy Steed and all of the choir for their efforts in putting together this service under current conditions.

Present restrictions mean there will not be an Offertory as part of our worship this evening. To allow you to show your appreciation of the wonderful music you will listen to over the next hour or so, you'll find collection bowls on the tables at the back of church. We know that the pandemic continues to challenge all of us and any contribution you are able to make to help St. James continue its matchless musical tradition is truly appreciated by all of us.

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION by the Reverend Andrew Quigley

The congregation is seated in silence as the lights are dimmed

ORGAN Es ist ein ros entsprungen Brahms

Please stand and face the back of the church

CHOIR Matin Responsory Palestrina (Arr. Wilcocks)

A COLLECT FOR ADVENT

Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people:
that they plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may of thee be plenteously rewarded, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN 32 (choir only v.1-2) Come, thou Redeemer of the earth

During the rest of the service, the congregation remains seated for the readings and choir items and stands for the hymns.

FIRST LESSON The coming King Zechariah 9.9-10

HYMN 45 (choir only v.1 and 4) O Come, O Come Emmanuel
during which the procession moves to the Chancel steps

SECOND LESSON The Righteous Ruler Jeremiah 23.5-6

CHOIR This is the truth sent from above *Vaughan Williams*

HYMN 50 The advent of our King

CHOIR People Look East *Ferguson*

THIRD LESSON Look to the East Baruch 5.5-6

CHOIR E'en so, Lord Jesus *Manz*

HYMN 38 Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding
during which the procession moves to the choir stalls

FOURTH LESSON John the Baptist Matthew 3. 1-11

CHOIR This is the record of John *Gibbons*

HYMN 46 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

FIFTH LESSON The Annunciation to Mary Luke 1. 26-35

CHOIR Mary's Magnificat *Carter*

HYMN 30 Come, thou long-expected Jesus
during which the procession moves to the Sanctuary

***Please sit* SILENCE IS KEPT**

CHOIR Let all mortal flesh keep silence *Bairstow*

SIXTH LESSON The Vision of Heaven Revelation 5. 11 – 12

concluding with the

CHOIR Gloria from the Evening Service in Eb *Wood*

A short silence precedes the Prayers

VICAR As we await the fulfilment of the promise of glory, let us pray for the coming of the Kingdom in the words our Saviour taught us, saying:

**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.**

CANTOR We wait for thy loving kindness, O Lord.
CHOIR In the midst of thy temple

CHOIR Vesper Responsory *Palestrina*

THE COLLECT FOR ADVENT SUNDAY

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now and in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty, to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and for ever.

CHOIR Amen from Geistliches Lied *Brahms*

Please stand

BLESSING

The Lord is at hand.

Be careful for nothing:

but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving,
let your requests be made known unto God.

And the peace of God, which passes all understanding,
shall keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

HYMN 41

Lo, he comes with clouds descending

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please take this leaflet away with you at the end of the service.



SERVICES FOR CHRISTMAS 2021 and EPIPHANY 2022

Sunday 19th December	6:30 pm	Service of Nine Lessons and Carols
Friday 24th December	4.00 pm	Family Carols
	11:30 pm	Midnight Mass
Saturday 25th December	8.30 am	Said Communion (BCP)
	10.30 am	Family Service followed by Holy Communion
Sunday 26th December	10.30 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 16th January	6:30 pm	Epiphany Carol Service