

Christ Church  North Adelaide



Christmas Day 2020

Choral Eucharist

8.00am and 10.00am



From the Locum Tenens

I take this opportunity to wish you a very Happy, Holy and Blessed Christmas. Thank you for your prayers during the past year and let us look to the New Year with the hope of God in our hearts.



Yours in Christ,
Fr Adrian

HEARING AID USERS

This church is fitted with a hearing aid loop (Tele coil system). If your hearing aid is fitted with a tele coil setting you may wish to try this feature.

The People shall stand for the entry of the Sanctuary Party

∇ The Lord be with you.

℞ **And with thy Spirit.**

Then shall be said the Introit Sentence



Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Angel of mighty counsel. Is. 9, 6

∇ Let us proceed in peace.

℞ **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Then shall be sung the Processional Carol

24 Christians awake! salute the happy morn *Yorkshire*

**Christians awake! salute the happy morn
whereon the Saviour of the world was born;
rise to adore the mystery of love
which hosts of angels chanted from above;
with them the joyful tidings first begun
of God Incarnate and the Virgin's Son.**

**Then to the watchful shepherds it was told,
who heard the angelic herald's voice, 'Behold,
I bring you tidings of a Saviour's birth
to you and all the nations on the earth:
this day hath God fulfilled His promised word,
this day is born a Saviour, Christ the Lord.'**

He spake; and straightaway that celestial choir
in hymns of joy, unknown before, conspire;
the praises of redeeming love they sang,
and heaven's whole orb with alleluyas rang:
God's highest glory was their anthem still,
peace on the earth, and unto men goodwill.

To Bethl'em straight the enlightened shepherds ran
to see the wonder God had wrought for man,
and found, with Joseph and the blessèd Maid,
her Son, the Saviour, in a manger laid:
joyful, the wondrous story they proclaim –
the first apostles of his infant fame.

Like Mary let us ponder in our mind
God's wondrous love in saving lost mankind;
trace we the Babe, who hath retrieved our loss,
from his poor manger to his bitter cross;
then may we hope, angelic thrones among,
to sing, redeemed, a glad triumphal song.

John Byrom (1691–1763), alt.

The Priest prays



OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Then shall the Priest say, together with the People



ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then shall the Choir sing: [setting: Missa Brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo "Little Organ Mass", Hob. XXII:7 Joseph Haydn]

<i>Kyrie, eleison</i>	Lord, have mercy upon us.
<i>Christe, eleison</i>	Christ, have mercy upon us.
<i>Kyrie, eleison</i>	Lord, have mercy upon us.

Then shall be said the Collect of the Day

Let us pray.



ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin: Grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Then shall the People sit for the Epistle

The Epistle is written in the First Chapter of the Epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Hebrews, beginning at the first verse.



GOD, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become so much better than the angels, as He has

by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. For to which of the angels did He ever say: "You are My Son, today I have begotten You"? And again: "I will be to Him a Father, and He shall be to Me a Son". But when He again brings the firstborn into the world, He says: "Let all the angels of God worship Him." And of the angels He says: "Who makes His angels spirits and His ministers a flame of fire." But to the Son He says:

"Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of Your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You with the oil of gladness more than Your companions." And: "You, Lord, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of Your hands. They will perish, but You remain; and they will all grow old like a garment; like a cloak You will fold them up, and they will be changed. But You are the same, and Your years will not fail."

Here endeth the Epistle.

Then shall be sung the Hymn for the Gradual

At the beginning of the Gospel

CELTIC ALLELUIA

Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The musical score consists of two staves of music in G major and 6/8 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with the lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' written below the notes. The second staff includes a change in time signature to 9/8 and then back to 6/8.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!


A hallowed day hath dawned upon us: come, ye nations,
and worship the Lord:

for on this day a great light hath descended upon the earth.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Holy Gospel is written in the first Chapter of the Gospel according to Saint John beginning at the first verse.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

N 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 were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was

sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

Praise be to thee O Christ.

Then shall be said the Creed by Priest and People

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

AND in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven, *And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man,* And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

AND I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one Catholick and Apostolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the ✠ Resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Then shall the People sit for the Sermon

The Priest shall begin the Offertory, saying this sentence of Scripture



et the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad before the Lord: for he is come.

Ps 96, 11 and 13

Then shall the People stand to sing the Offertory Carol

20 From east to west, from shore to shore *Vom Himmel hoch*

VOM HIMMEL HOCH

Melody from Schumann's *Geistliche Lieder* 1539



A - men.

**From east to west, from shore to shore,
let every heart awake and sing
the holy Child whom Mary bore,
the Christ, the everlasting King.**

**Behold, the world's creator wears
the form and fashion of a slave,
our very flesh our Maker shares,
his fallen creature, man, to save.**

**For this how wondrously he wrought!
A maiden, in her lowly place,
became, in ways beyond all thought,
the chosen vessel of his grace.**

**She bowed her to the angel's word
declaring what the Father willed,
and suddenly the promised Lord
that pure and hallowed temple filled.**



**He shrank not from the oxen's stall,
he lay within the manger-bed,
and he whose bounty feedeth all,
at Mary's breast himself was fed.**

**And while the angels in the sky
sang praise above the silent field,
to shepherds poor, the Lord most high,
the one great Shepherd was revealed.**

**All glory for that blessèd morn
to God the Father ever be,
all praise to thee, O Virgin-born,
all praise, blest Spirit, unto thee. Amen.**

*Latin, Caelius Sedulius c.450
Trans. John Ellerton (1826–1893)*

PRAYER POINTS

Wider Church:

The Peace of Jerusalem and the People of Bethlehem

National Church:

The Northern Territory: Greg Anderson

Adelaide:

Repatriation General Hospital: Hilary Reddrop

The Sick:

Penny Howell, Wayne Butler, David Presgrave, Jean Yuen, John, Rosemary Bourne, Joseph Danes, Petula Columbus, Richard, Patrick Swan, Henry Nicholls

We give God thanks for blessings received for George Falvey

Continuing Prayers for:

Heather Denholm, Andrew Pavy, Natasha Horn, John Pfitzner, Bishop David McCall, Fr John Edwards, Ruth Gallasch, Michael & Emma Boundy, Geraldine, Ray, Barry, Patsy Sellars, Beverley, Tara, Milo, Ralph Archbold, Juliana, Barbara Talbot, Pamela Terry, Margaret Whittle, Kay Gill, David Gill

Years' Mind:

Elizabeth (Betty) Mary Porter, Mary Laflahoe Brooksbank, Robert Bruce Briscoe, Mary Patricia Walsh, Albert Lloyd Wiggins, Jack Walsh, Eric Mostyn Garrett, Judith Suzanne Lord

THE PRAYERS

Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful Priest and Pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling. Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment, and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts. *APBA page 212*

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Lord God, help us to more fully understand the wonder of the Nativity. May we have a fresh sense of wonder as we think of our Lord Jesus. Help us to recognise your Son, the Son of God, born of Mary; Jesus the incarnate Word, as a child yet without speech; as the Lord of glory, yet a baby cradled in a manger. Open our hearts and our minds so that as we rejoice in this birth of a small child, we may see in him our eternal salvation.

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Lord God there are so many people around the world who will not have the opportunity to rejoice in the birth of your blessed Son. We pray for the people fighting against disease and plague. We pray for the many families who are grieving for a person loved and now dead. We pray for the widows, widowers and siblings who will celebrate Christmas for the first time without the presence of the person they have loved. Grant us your peace and hope as we grieve.

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Lord God we thank you for your church on earth and we pray for it. We ask your blessing for the people you have called to lead the church and for the people who gather in worship and celebration. We pray for this parish church and for your people who call this their spiritual home. Protect the people who have chosen to travel at this time and be their guide and defender. May they return to us in safety.

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Lord God we hold before you the people who have asked us to join our prayers with theirs and for whom we are bound to pray... ..
Comfort and heal them Lord, each according to their need.

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Lord God we give you thanks for the lives of your saints. We rejoice in the promise of eternal life for all who believe through your Blessed Son, Jesus Christ. We pray for the people who have died recently, for those whose years mind occurs at this time, and for all who have died alone and unloved.

∇ Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

℞ ✠ **And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.



ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our alms and oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant, that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love. We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and specially thy Servant *ELIZABETH* our Queen; that under her we may be godly and quietly governed: And grant unto her whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

GIVE grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

AND to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**



YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

Then shall this general Confession be made



ALmighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then shall the Priest, standing up and turning himself to the people, pronounce the Absolution



ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Then shall the Priest say:



HEAR what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

COME unto me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

Mtt 11:28

SO God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Jn 3:16

Hear also what Saint Paul saith:

THIS is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 Tm 1:15

Hear also what Saint John saith:

IF any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.

1 Jn 2:1

After which the Priest shall proceed, saying

∇ The Lord be with you

℞ **And with thy spirit.**

∇ Lift up your hearts.

℞ **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

∇ Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

℞ **It is meet and right so to do.**

Then shall the Priest turn to the Lord's Table, and say

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

BECAUSE thou didst give Jesus Christ thine only Son to be born as at this time for us; who, by the operation of the Holy Ghost, was made very man of the substance of the Virgin Mary his mother; and that without spot of sin, to make us clean from all sin.

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:

Then shall the Choir sing

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.

✠Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the Highest.

Then shall be said this Prayer

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Then the Priest, standing before the Table, shall say the Prayer of Consecration

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again.

HEAR us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and

grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood: who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,

TAKE, EAT, THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU: DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME. ✠

LIKEWISE after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying,

DRINK YE ALL OF THIS; FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS: DO THIS, AS OFT AS YE SHALL DRINK IT, IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME. ✠



HEREFORE, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

MOST humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

AND here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction.

AND although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences.

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

Then shall the Priest say the Lord's Prayer, together with the People



OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we

forgive them 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.

Ÿ The peace of the Lord be alway with you.

℞ And with thy spirit.

Then shall the Choir sing

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.*

Ÿ Behold the Lamb of God, behold him that takest away the sins of the world; happy are they that are called to his supper.

℞ Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof but speak the word only and thy servant shall be healed.

And after that shall the people, meekly kneeling, receive communion, during which the choir shall sing the Motets:

Motets: O little one sweet *German*, harmonized *J. S. Bach*

O little one sweet, O little one mild,
thy Father's purpose thou hast fulfilled;
thou cam'st from heav'n to mortal ken,
equal to be with us poor men,
O little one sweet, O little one mild.

O little one sweet, O little one mild,
with joy thou hast the whole world filled;
thou camest here from heav'n's domain,
to bring men comfort in their pain,
O little one sweet, O little one mild.

O little one sweet, O little one mild.
in thee Love's beauties are all distilled;
then light in us thy love's bright flame,
that we may give thee back the same,
O little one sweet, O little one mild.

*German, S. Scheidt 1650
trans. Percy Dearmer (1867–1936)*

My Lord has come *Will Todd*

Shepherds, called by angels, called by love and angels:
No place for them but a stable.

My Lord has come.

Sages, searching for stars, searching for love in heaven;
No place for them but a stable.

My Lord has come.

His love will hold me, his love will cherish me, love will cradle me.

Lead me, lead me to see him, sages and shepherds and angels;

No place for me but a stable.

My Lord has come.

Will Todd

Then shall the People sing the Communion Hymn

25 God rest you merry, gentlemen *God rest you merry*

**God rest you merry, gentlemen,
let nothing you dismay,
remember Christ our Saviour
was born on Christmas Day,
to save us all from Satan's power
when we were gone astray:**

*O tidings of comfort and joy,
comfort and joy!*

O tidings of comfort and joy!

From God our heavenly Father
a blessed angel came,
and unto certain shepherds
brought tidings of the same,
how that in Bethlehem was born
the Son of God by name: *[Refrain]*

And when they came to Bethlehem
where our dear Saviour lay,
they found him in a manger,
where oxen feed on hay;
his mother Mary kneeling down,
unto the Lord did pray: *[Refrain]*

Now to the Lord sing praises,
all you within this place,
in with true love and brotherhood
each other new embrace;
this holy tide of Christmas
all other doth efface: *[Refrain]*

Traditional English carol, 18th century

After shall be said as followeth



ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son.

AND we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good

works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.
Amen.

Then shall the People stand while the Gloria in Excelsis is sung by the choir



GLORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O LORD, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

FOR thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high ✠ in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Please kneel as the Priest gives this Blessing



THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, 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 Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Then shall the People sing the Final Carol

26 Hark! the herald angels sing *Mendelssohn*

**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 host 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 Emmanuel: [*Refrain*]

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: [*Refrain*]

Charles Wesley (1707–1788) and others

Then shall be played the Postlude for the recession of the Choir and Sanctuary Party

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The North Wind is Tossing the Leaves

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ABM PEW REFLECTIONS

- We give thanks for Jesus coming among us, blessing all things material by his presence.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Church of the Holy Nativity at Bethlehem and pray for all who worship our God-made-flesh there at this time.

Parishioners from the 8am congregation, Will and Lucy, have announced the birth of Jack Robert Fennell. Baby Jack was born at 9am on the 21st of December. Mum and Baby are healthy and happy.





