



*25th Anniversary
Thanksgiving Service*

Order of Service

Saturday 4th December 2010
St. James's Church, 197 Piccadilly, London W1J 9LL.

WELCOME

The Revd Lyndsay Meader

INTRODUCTION

Alison Driscoll, ABCD Project Manager

HYMN

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, Christ the Lord

True God of true God,
Light of Light eternal,
Lo, he abhors not the virgin's womb;
Son of the Father,
Begotten, not created:

See how the shepherds,
Summoned to his cradle,
Leaving their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;
We too will thither
Bend our joyful footsteps:

Lo, star-led chieftains,
Magi, Christ adoring,
Offer him incense, gold and myrrh;
We to the Christ-child
Bring our hearts' oblations:

Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above:
"Glory to God
In the highest"

18th Century, tr. Frederick Oakeley (1802-80) and others

Prayers of Approach

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Isaiah 9: 2b, 6-7

Prayer of Hope

René Meissner, Honorary Treasurer

HYMN

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 men to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel:

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:

Charles Wesley (1707-88)

SONG OF THE INCARNATION

The grace of God has dawned upon the world with healing for
humankind.

*The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light:
Light has dawned upon us, dwellers in a land as dark as death.
For a boy has been born for us, a son given to us.*

God is love; and his love was disclosed to us in this,
That he sent his only Son into the world to bring us life.

*We know how generous our Lord Jesus Christ has been:
He was rich, yet for our sake he became poor,
So that through his poverty we might become rich.*

God has spoken to us in the Son whom he has made heir to the whole
universe.

*The Word became flesh; he came to dwell among us,
And we saw his glory, such glory as befits the Father's only Son, full of grace and
truth.*

GOSPEL READINGS:

John 2: 1-11 John 19: 23-27
Val Jourdan, Founding Trustee and
Georgina Mortimer, Chair of Trustees

SERMON:

The Revd Canon Jonathan Goodall, Archbishop of Canterbury's Personal
Chaplain and Ecumenical Secretary, and Trustee of ABCD

Reflection – Alison Driscoll
Musical Interlude – Basel Zayed

HYMN

There's a light upon the mountains, and the day is at the spring,
When our eyes shall see the beauty and the glory of the King;
Weary was our heart with waiting, and the night-watch seemed so long;
But his triumph-day is breaking, and we hail it with a song.

There's a hush of expectation, and a quiet in the air;
And the breath of God is moving in the fervent breath of prayer;
For the suffering, dying Jesus is the Christ upon the throne,
And the travail of our spirit is the travail of his own.

He is breaking down the barriers, he is casting up the way;
He is calling for his angels to build up the gates of day:
But his angels here are human, not the shining hosts above;
For the drum-beats of his army are the heart-beats of our love.

Hark! We hear a distant music and it comes with fuller swell;
'Tis the triumph-song of Jesus, of our King, Immanuel:
Zion, go ye forth to meet him; and, my soul, be swift to bring
All thy finest and thy noblest for the triumph of our King!

Henry Burton (1840-1930)

Prayers of Response –
Read by Rupert Ridge, Patron and Former Chair of Trustees

LORD'S PRAYER IN ARABIC

Abana allathee fee samawat,
leatakadas Esmoka;
leya'ti malakutika;
letakon mashee'atuka
kama fee sama' kathalika alal-ard.
A'tina khubzana Kafafa yawmina,
waghfer lana khatayana
kama naghfer nahnu leman akhta'a elayna,
wala tudkhelna fee tajaareb,
laken najjena menal-sherreer;
le'anna laka almulk walkuwwa
walmajed ela dahr aldahireen
Aameen.
Amin

ABCD PRAYER

Blessed are you, Lord our God and God of our Fathers,
God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the great and mighty one
generous in love and full of compassion and mercy, source of all healing;
look graciously upon the physical disabilities and emotional traumas of
your children in Palestine, among them those for whom ABCD has
particular care and concern.

Grant them healing through the touch of skilled hands and meet all
their needs through the love in our hearts.

Give to us insight and wisdom to make right decisions and the grace to
act upon them;
for you are a merciful and faithful healer;
you heal the sick and make the lame to leap with joy.

Blessed be God forever.

Amen.

HYMN

Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in His grace and guide us when perplexed;
And free us from all ills, in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given;
The Son and him who reigns with them in highest heaven;
The one eternal God whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now and shall be evermore.

Martin Rinkart (1586-1649) Tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

BENEDICTION

Organist: The Revd Ian Yates.

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