The Mood of Christmas by Howard Thurman

When the song of the angels is stilled, When the star in the sky is gone, When the kings and princes are home, When the shepherds are back with their flock,

The work of Christmas begins:

To find the lost, To heal the broken, To feed the hungry, To release the prisoner, To rebuild the nations, To bring peace among people, To make music in the heart."

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ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, KYRENIA



The Anglican Diocese of **Cyprus and the Gulf** In the Episcopal Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East

Chaplain: The Reverend Wendy Hough Sunday 31st December – Christmas 1 (5th Sunday)

Today 8.00am Said Eucharist (Traditional) 10.30am Eucharist (Contemporary) 2.30pm Russian Language Service Next Sunday 8.00am Said Eucharist (Traditional) 10.30am Eucharist (Contemporary) 12.30pm Fellowship Praise 2.30pm Russian Language Service

Thursday 10am Eucharist with prayers

Welcome, we are delighted to have you worshipping with us today.

If you are new here please introduce yourself to the Chaplain or Church Wardens and fill in a Welcome Card with your contact details.

Please join us for refreshments in the Church Hall downstairs after the 10.30am Service. Please visit our Church Shop for ideal gifts from your visit to St. Andrew's.

St Andrew's is a self-funding Church and any gift you may be able to make will be greatly appreciated and will go towards maintaining God's work here in Kyrenia. Please use Gift Aid envelopes if appropriate.

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created. Psalm 148.5



Sides Persons: Myka Katende and Gayve Lobo Hymns: Ancient and Modern

Processional Hymn: 715 Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided Lord of the years

COLLECT:

God in Trinity, eternal unity of perfect love: gather the nations to be one family, and draw us into your holy life through the birth of Emmanuel, our Lord Jesus Christ. AMEN

FIRST READING Isaiah 61:10 - 62:3 Lynda Hillard

Psalm 148 Alan Carling

1 Alleluia. Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights.

2 Praise him, all you his angels; praise him, all his host.

3 Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you stars of light.

4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens.

5 Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.

6 He made them fast for ever and ever; he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

7 Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps;

8 Fire and hail, snow and mist, tempestuous wind, fulfilling his word;

9 Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars;

10 Wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and birds on the wing;

11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world;

12 Young men and women, old and young together; let them praise the name of the Lord.

13 For his name only is exalted, his splendour above earth and heaven. 14 He has raised up the horn of his people and praise for all his faithful servants, the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Alleluia.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. AMEN

SECOND READING Galatians 4: v 4-7 David Wilde

Gradual Hymn: 90 Who would think that what was needed

Scarlet ribbons

GOSPEL READING:

Luke 2: v 15-21 Clergy

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INTERCESSORY PRAYERS: Sue Carling

Offertory Hymn: 811 Thou didst leave thy throne and thy kingly Margaret crown

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

All: Humble Lord, you surrendered the riches of heaven's palace for the poverty of Bethlehem's manger: as we offer you our gifts in thanksgiving for your gift, make us imitators of you in generosity and love, for the sake of the world you love so much, and for your Father's glory. Amen.

Communion Hymn: 60 Away in a manger

Cradle sona

Post Communion Hymn: 494 I, the Lord of sea and sky

Here I am, Lord

Post Communion Prayer:

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home: help your Church to live as one family, united in love and obedience, and bring us all at last to our home in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

Recessional Hymn: 507 We have a gospel to proclaim Fulda

Please pray for the following throughout the coming week

Tracy Etherington, Penny McSweeney, Hazel Jennings, Tony Harbur, Jules Martin, Mica Bausch, Rita Abdurram, Semra Beckham, Sandra Christie, Keira Gabriella Martin, Hootan, Gur, Simon Foch-Gattrell, Alex, David Walker, Colin Atkinson, John Lewis, David Lowe, Ian & Ruth Smith, Barbara & Roy Symons, Win Smith, June Llewellyn and Kath Meredith. Along with those mentioned in our remembrance book. Remembering also those who care for them.

We remember those who have departed and those who mourn their loss.

Please pray for Patrice, Emmanuel and Barbar as they seek asylum from religious persecution. We also pray for all asylum seekers and refugees, particularly poignant at this time of year when Mary and Joseph were seeking refuge.

Please contact the Chaplain or Wardens to include persons to be remembered in our prayers