Today's Hymns

Opening Hymn 46
On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's cry Westminster New

After the lighting of the second Advent Candle we sing together:

Prophet Voices, loudly crying, making pathways clear, Glimpsing glory, self denying, calling all who hear.

Through their message-challenged, shaken
- hearts awaken: God is near!

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Music for St Andrew's Eucharist (omitting Gloria in Advent).

Gradual Hymn 44
O child of promise, come Sandys

Offertory Hymn 709
Light of the minds that know him Aurelia

Communion Solo 'It is well' Issy

Post Communion Hymn 811
Thou didn't leave thy throne and thy kingly crown Margaret

Final Hymn 610 Christ is the world's true light Nun Danket

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ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, KYRENIA



Sunday 5th December The Second Sunday of Advent Celebrant and Preacher – The Revd Edward Jervis

Morning Praise for Christmas

On Thursday 9th Dec, in place of the usual 10am mid-week communion service, there will be a Morning Prayer service with an Advent theme including carols

Please pray for the following throughout the coming week

"The prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well therefore pray for each other so that you may be healed" James 5:15

Bryan Tattersall, Hilary and Tony Kyte, Duncan Hadfield, Barbara McEwen, Kathleen Richmond, Digby Jones, June Llewellyn and Sandi Richardson, Alan Poulter, Cora Tyson, Paul (and Pam), John Burke, Dave Sturgess, Barbara Symons (and Roy), Reverend Dr. Andrew Tatham's daughter Alice, Jenny Hayward, Padmesh Gartaula, along with those mentioned in our remembrance book.

We pray also for strength and grace for those who carry the burden of care.

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

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

Please be aware of the latest Covid restrictions for entry to St. Andrew's Church as at 29/11/2021. These can be found on the leaflet given out at Church today or on the Church website



Introduction & Call to Worship

"Prepare the way for the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low." As we hear the call of John the Baptist, may our hearts be stirred again to worship the living God.

Collect:

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and savior we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God. **AMEN**

First Reading: Malachi 3: 1-4 (NRSV)

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight - indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years

Psalm Benedictus (Common Worship)

- 1 Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, who has come to his people and set them free.
- 2 He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, **born of the house of his servant David.**
- 3 Through his holy prophets God promised of old to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all that hate us,
- 4 To show mercy to our ancestors, and to remember his holy covenant.
- 5 This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham: to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
- 6 Free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.
- 7 And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
- 8 To give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of all their sins.
- 9 In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
- 10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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: Philippians 1: 3-11 (NRSV)

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Gospel Reading: Luke 3: 1-6 (NRSV)

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

Post Communion:

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**