

## Today's Hymns

Opening Hymn 99

Hail to the Lord's anointed (Vs 1-4) Crüger

*After the lighting of the third Advent Candle we sing together:*

**John the Baptist, by his preaching and by water poured, brought to those who heard his teaching news of hope restored: 'Keep your vision strong and steady, and be ready for the Lord'.**

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

Gradual Hymn 50

The Advent of our King Sandys

Offertory Hymn 42

Longing for light, we wait in darkness *Christ be our light*

Communion Solo 'It is well' Issy

Post Communion Hymn 52

The people that in darkness sat *Dundee*

Final Hymn 45

O come, O come Emmanuel *Veni Emmanuel*

This year's **Nine Lessons and Carols** in St. Andrew's will be held on **Sunday 19th December at 4.00 p.m.**

**All are very welcome to attend but please see the Covid Regulation leaflet or the website for requirement for entry to the church following the latest government Covid restrictions.**

Because of Covid restrictions it may be necessary to use the overspill facilities of the Church Hall if the number of people attending exceeds the enforced capacity of the church itself.

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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

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

**The Third Sunday of Advent**

**Celebrant – The Revd Fr Michael Graham**

**Next Thursday: 10am Eucharist**

**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

**Werner Fayers, Nicky Montgomery, Bryan Tattersall, Hilary and Tony Kyte, Duncan Hadfield, Barbara McEwen, Kathleen Richmond, Digby Jones, 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**

**PLEASE COMPLY WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING  
AND WEAR A MASK AT ALL TIMES IN CHURCH**



**Collect:**

God for whom we watch and wait, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son: give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice, and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

**First Reading: Zephaniah 3: 14-20 (NRSV)**

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The LORD has taken away the judgements against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the LORD.

**Psalm 46: 4-10 (Common Worship)**

4 Happy are those who have the God of Jacob for their help, **whose hope is in the Lord their God;**

5 Who made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is in them; **who keeps his promise for ever;**

6 Who gives justice to those that suffer wrong **and bread to those who hunger.**

7 The Lord looses those that are bound; **the Lord opens the eyes of the blind;**

8 The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; **the Lord loves the righteous;**

9 The Lord watches over the stranger in the land; he upholds the orphan and widow; **but the way of the wicked he turns upside down.**

10 The Lord shall reign for ever, **your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. 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: Philippians 4: 4-7 (NRSV)**

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

**Gospel Reading: Luke 3: 7-18 (NRSV)**

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.' And the crowds asked him, 'What then should we do?' In reply he said to them, 'Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.' Even tax-collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, 'Teacher, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.' Soldiers also asked him, 'And we, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.' As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.' So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

**Post Communion:**

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts; kindle in us the fire of your Spirit that when your Christ comes again we may shine as lights before his face; who is alive and reigns now and for ever. **AMEN**