

## Today's Music

Opening Hymn 79

O little town of Bethlehem *Forest Green*

*Music for St Andrew's Eucharist including Gloria*

Gradual Hymn 84

Silent Night! Holy Night!

Offertory Hymn 89

While shepherds watched their flocks by night.

*Winchester Old*

Post Communion Hymn 70

It came upon the midnight clear *Noel*

Final Hymn 72

Joy to the world *Antioch*



*Revd Fr Michael and Janet and the Wardens would like to wish everyone a Peaceful and Happy Christmas. With every blessing to you and those whom you love at this Christmas time.*

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES at ST. ANDREW'S

**Saturday 25th - Christmas Day**

**10:30am** Festal Eucharist

**Sunday 26th - The First Sunday of Christmas**

**10:30am** Holy Communion

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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

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December**

**Christmas Eve – Midnight Mass**

**Celebrant – The Revd Dr Andrew Tatham**

**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

Frank and Lee Creighton, Alan Boutle, Werner Fayers, Nicky Montgomery, 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), Alice Flamson, 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, in particular Keith Hadfield, 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:

Eternal God, in the stillness of this night you sent your almighty Word to pierce the world's darkness with the light of salvation: give to the earth the peace that we long for and fill our hearts with the joy of heaven through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **AMEN**

## First Reading: Isaiah 62: 6-12 (NRSV)

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels; all day and all night they shall never be silent. You who remind the Lord, take no rest, and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it renowned throughout the earth. The Lord has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink the wine for which you have laboured; but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the Lord, and those who gather it shall drink it in my holy courts. Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. The Lord has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, 'See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.' They shall be called, 'The Holy People, The Redeemed of the Lord'; and you shall be called, 'Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken.'

## Psalms 97 (Common Worship)

- 1 The Lord is king: let the earth rejoice; **let the multitude of the isles be glad.**
  - 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him; **righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.**
  - 3 Fire goes before him **and burns up his enemies on every side.**
  - 4 His lightnings lit up the world; **the earth saw it and trembled.**
  - 5 The mountains melted like wax at the presence of the Lord, **at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.**
  - 6 The heavens declared his righteousness, **and all the peoples have seen his glory.**
  - 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in mere idols. **Bow down before him, all you gods.**
  - 8 Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoiced, **because of your judgements, O Lord.**
  - 9 For you, Lord, are most high over all the earth; **you are exalted far above all gods.**
  - 10 The Lord loves those who hate evil; **he preserves the lives of his faithful and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.**
  - 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous **and joy for the true of heart.**
  - 12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, **and give thanks to his holy name.**
- 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: Titus 3: 4-7 (NRSV)

When the goodness and loving-kindness of God our Saviour appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Saviour, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

## Gospel Reading: Luke 2: 1-20 (NRSV)

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see - I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!' When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

## Post Communion:

God our Father, in this night you have made known to us again the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ: confirm our faith and fix our eyes on him until the day dawns and Christ the Morning Star rises in our hearts. To him be glory both now and for ever. **AMEN**