

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

ST LUKE'S SINGERS

Director of Music: JEREMY SUMMERLY Organist: REV DR RUPERT JEFFCOAT FRSA

LUDGROVE CHAPEL CHOIR

Director of Music: ALLAN HERRON Accompanist: PAUL BELLINGHAM Trumpeter: ANDY SMETS

GUEST SINGER

KATIE MARSHALL

GUEST READERS

REVD IAMES POWER NICK COOKSON AND OLIVER TOMALIN CHRISTOPHER FOYLE AND DAVID MARTIN SMITH FIONA CRAIG, LAURA MEADE AND LOUISA PENN

Please remember to turn off mobile telephones and please refrain from clapping until the end of the service.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Please remain seated for the readings and all the carols sung by the choirs.

Once in royal David's city

CAROL: (Stand)

Ludgrove: Once in royal David's city Soloist Stood a lowly cattle shed,

Where a mother laid her baby In a manger for his bed: Mary was that mother mild, lesus Christ, her little child.

2

All: He came down to earth from heaven

Who is God and Lord of all, And his shelter was a stable, And his cradle was a stall;

With the poor, and mean, and lowly, Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

And our eyes at last shall see him, Through his own redeeming love: For that child so dear and gentle Is our Lord in heaven above; And he leads his children on To the place where he is gone.

Not in that poor lowly stable, With the oxen standing by, We shall see him; but in heaven, Set at God's right hand on high; When like stars his children crowned All in white shall wait around

Words: Mrs Cecil Frances Alexander

Music: Henry John Gauntlett Last verse arr. James O'Donnell

Welcome by The Revd Prebendary Dr Brian Leathard

Bidding Prayer

St Luke's Singers: Tomorrow shall be my dancing day John Gardner

St Matthew tells of the birth of Jesus Matthew 1 v18-v25 **LESSON:**

Revd James Power

Ludgrove Chapel Choir: Adoramus Te Andy Beck

Katie Marshall I wonder as I wander John Rutter

O Come, All Ye Faithful

CAROL: (Stand)

All: 1
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,

O come, let us adore him, O Come, let us adore him.

Christ the Lord.

2

God of God, Light of Light,

Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb:

Very God,

Begotten, not created; O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him, O Come, let us adore him,

Christ the Lord.

3

Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation,

Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;

Glory to God In the highest;

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,

O Come, let us adore him,

Christ the Lord.

Words and Melody: John Francis Wade

Arr. by David Willcocks

Leo Mullan

READING: The Lament of the Disgruntled Elves

Nick Cookson and Oliver Tomalin

St Luke's Singers: Fantasia on Christmas Carols Ralph Vaughan Williams

READING: Christmas Bells Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Christopher Foyle and David Martin Smith

Ludgrove Chapel Choir: Jesus Child John Rutter

Address on behalf of the Charity by Alexander and Claire van Straubenzee

Good King Wenceslas

CAROL: (Stand)

All:

Good King Wenceslas looked out

On the feast of Stephen

When the snow lay round about Deep and crisp and even

Brightly shone the moon that night

Though the frost was cruel
When a poor man came in sight

Gath'ring winter fuel

2

Men: Hither, page, and stand by me

If thou know'st it, telling Yonder peasant, who is he? Where and what his dwelling?

Ladies: Sire, he lives a good league hence

Underneath the mountain Right against the forest fence By Saint Agnes' fountain. 3

Men: Bring me flesh and bring me wine

Bring me pine logs hither Thou and I will see him dine When we bear them thither.

All: Page and monarch forth they went

Forth they went together

Through the rude wind's wild lament

And the bitter weather.

4

Ladies: Sire, the night is darker now

And the wind blows stronger Fails my heart, I know not how,

I can go no longer.

Men: Mark my footsteps good, my page

Tread thou in them boldly Thou shalt find the winter's rage Freeze thy blood less coldly.

All:

In his master's steps he trod Where the snow lay dinted Heat was in the very sod Which the Saint had printed Therefore, Christian men, be sure Wealth or rank possessing Ye who now will bless the poor Shall yourselves find blessing.

Words: John Mason Neale

Melody: Piae Cantiones (1582)

St Luke's Singers:

Carol of the Bells

John Rutter

READING:

Three Wise Women

Eithne Reynolds

Fiona Craig, Laura Meade and Louisa Penn

Ludgrove Chapel Choir:

The Angel Gabriel

Bob Chilcott

Katie Marshall

Walking in the Air

Howard Blake

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

CAROL: (Stand)

All:

Hark! The herald-angels sing Glory to the newborn 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 newborn King. 2
Christ, by highest heav'n 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 man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark!.The herald-angels sing
Glory to the newborn King.

3
Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Ris'n 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.
Hark!.The herald-angels sing
Glory to the newborn King!

Words: C Wesley

Music: F Mendelssohn, adapted W H Cummings, and arr D Willcocks

Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

Blessing

St Luke's Singers:

A Merry Christmas

Trad. West Country carol, arr. Arthur Warrell

Recessional:

Medley of Christmas Music

After the service there will be sausages, mince pies and wine in St Luke's porch.

JEREMY SUMMERLY

Jeremy Summerly is a conductor and broadcaster, who can be heard on BBC Radio 3's Record Review and Radio 4's Front Row.

He studied at Oxford University and King's College, London and for 26 years he was a professor at the Royal Academy of Music. Thereafter he was Director of Music at St Peter's College, Oxford and is now Director of Studies in Music at Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge.

He has conducted choirs and orchestras in venues as far afield as San Francisco, Melbourne, Johannesburg, Helsinki, and Tokyo. He has conducted music by Benjamin Britten across the River Jordan with one choir in Jordan and the other in Israel.

Five years ago he was elected a Fellow of the Royal School of Church Music and he lives in Hammersmith with his wife and young daughter, who turned seven yesterday.



KATIE MARSHALL

Katie Marshall is a Soprano and has won many awards, including being the youngest ever recipient of the prestigious Sheila Armstrong Award, one of only two Classical singers in the UK to reach the final of the Next BRIT Thing at the O2 and was nominated for a Classical Brit Award in 2018 at The Royal Albert Hall in the 'Sound of Classical Poll' category.

Katie sang on Warner Music's 'Christmas at Downton Abbey' album in a duet with the Downton Abbey singer and actor, Julian Ovenden, toured the UK with G4 and also André Rieu's Soprano Mirusia Louwerse on her Netherlands tour. She performs in the UK & overseas at concerts, proms and special events and supports charities she is passionate about. She's had lead roles in musical theatre productions, including West Side Story & Beauty and the Beast and has recorded two albums with the British Film and the Kent Sinfonia Orchestras, including a duet with Paul Phoenix (King's Singers), an original song, and a unique arrangement of John Brunning's (Classic FM) Pie Jesu. Her Album (Voice Divine) was mastered at Abbey Road Studios by Simon Gibson. Katie is an Ambassador for The Prince's Trust, Children's Air Ambulance and a Patron for the Born Free Foundation.

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