



# Welcome

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EVERY SUNDAY**

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**25<sup>th</sup> December 2021**



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## ONLINE SERVICE

Led by Revd Tony Miles and  
Deacon Ali McMillan

**Preacher: Revd Tony Miles**

## LIVE STREAM WELCOME

**VIDEO CALL TO WORSHIP** - The Gift  
Dan Stevens

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CENTRAL CANDLE

**On this Christmas Day we remember the Birth of  
Christ**

We light this candle for the newborn Christ,  
reawakening hope and faith –  
the Word embodied for our time.

**God, as we receive your promise,  
you are light, you are hope.**

## VIDEO CAROL - Joy To The World

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her King;  
let every heart prepare him room,  
and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the world, the Saviour reigns!  
Let all their songs employ;  
while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders, wonders of his love

Joy! Joy! Joy!

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Joy to the world, let heaven and nature sing...

## **PRAYERS OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION**

Led by Revd Tony Miles

### **VIDEO - Altar Egos**

**Charlie Bushell**

### **TONY AND DARREN - 'Presents!'**

### **VIDEO CHOIR CAROL - Dance and Sing**

**Dance and sing this happy day,  
Christ is born the Son of Mary;  
dance and sing all care away,  
sound the pipes, let the trumpets play!  
Dance, sing on this happy day,  
sound the pipes, let the trumpets play!  
Dance, sing on this happy day,  
let us all our homage pay.**

Born today of David's line,  
to the earth our Saviour cometh,  
shepherds see the angel's sign,  
Born today is the child divine!  
Starlit is his humble crib,  
ox and lamb beside him sleeping,  
starlit is his humble crib,  
see his throne a bed of hay.

Dance, sing on this happy day,  
sound the pipes, let the trumpets play!  
Dance, sing on this happy day,  
let us all our homage pay.  
sound the pipes, let the trumpets play, on this  
day!

VIDEO GOSPEL READING - Luke 2:1-14  
Read by Ollie McEwen

VIDEO - Jesus placed in the Nativity scene

VIDEO CAROL - O Come All Ye Faithful  
Lansford and Grace Penn-Timothy

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!*

True God of true God,  
Light of Light eternal,  
lo, he abhors not the Virgin's womb;  
son of the Father,  
begotten, not created:

See how the shepherds,  
summoned to his cradle,  
leaving their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;  
we too will thither  
bend our joyful footsteps:

Sing, choirs of angels,  
sing in exultation,  
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above:  
'Glory to God  
in the highest:'

#### **ADDRESS 'Precious Gifts'**

Revd Tony Miles

#### **VIDEO CAROL - Love Shone Down**

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I had a dream that I was standing on a hillside,  
and all the lights of town were shining far below  
when up in the air beautiful voices,  
sang a new song, let everyone know.

*Oh and love shone down  
over the hills and over the valleys,  
oh and love shone down over the world.*

Somebody spoke to me,  
I knew it was an angel.  
He said 'There's something that I think you ought to  
know.'  
Then he just smiled, said 'Don't be afraid now.'  
Sing a new song, let everyone know.

*Oh and love shone down  
over the hills and over the valleys,  
oh and love shone down over the world.*

And then he told me all about the baby Jesus,  
how to find him, where exactly I should go.  
Then he was joined by millions of others.  
Sing a new song, let everyone know.

*Oh and love shone down  
over the hills and over the valleys,  
oh and love shone down over the world.*

*Andy Piercy (b. 1951) and C. S. de Whalley*

## **PRAYERS FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS**

Deacon Ali McMillan

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Please join in using your own language or the version  
you prefer*

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS, EXPLANATION, OFFERING AND PRAYER

Revd Tony Miles and Deacon Ali McMillan

### VIDEO CAROL - God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

God rest you merry, gentlemen,  
Let nothing you dismay,  
For Jesus Christ, our Saviour,  
Was born upon this day  
To save us all from Satan's power  
When we were gone astray.

*O tidings of comfort and joy,  
comfort and joy;  
O tidings of comfort and joy!*

In Bethlehem in Jewry  
This blessèd Babe was born,  
And laid within a manger  
Upon this blessèd morn;  
The which his mother Mary  
Nothing did take in scorn.

#### *Chorus*

From God our heavenly Father  
A blessèd angel came,  
And unto certain shepherds  
Brought tidings of the same,  
How that in Bethlehem was born  
The Son of God by name.

#### *Chorus*

The shepherds at these tidings  
Rejoicèd much in mind,  
And left their flocks a-feeding  
In tempest, storm and wind,  
And went to Bethlehem straightway  
This blessèd Babe to find.

*Chorus*

Now to the Lord sing praises,  
All you within this place,  
And with true love and brotherhood  
Each other now embrace.  
The holy tide of Christmas  
All others doth efface.

*Chorus*

*Anonymous*

**VIDEO - GLOBAL GREETING**

**Revd Dr Malcolm White**

**VIDEO CAROL - Hark The Herald Angels Sing  
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Hark! The herald-angels sing  
glory to the new-born 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 new-born King.*

Christ, by highest heaven 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 men to dwell,  
Jesus, our Immanuel:

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!  
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings,  
risen 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:

*Charles Wesley*

## FINAL PRAYER AND BLESSING

Revd Tony Miles

## VIDEO - Happy Christmas greetings

## ORGAN VOLUNTARY - 'Sleigh Ride' by Leroy Anderson played at MCHW - Gerard Brooks

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