



Welcome

We welcome you today whatever your reason for coming

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11.00am



ONLINE SERVICE - ADVENT 2

**Preacher: Revd. Lansford Penn-Timity
Deputy Superintendent Minister**

Isaiah 40:1-11; Mark 1:1-8

'A Gospel to Proclaim'

ADVENT COUNTDOWN

WELCOME TO ONLINE CHURCH

LIVE STREAM WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

**Revd. Tony Miles, Superintendent Minister
- (Chapel & Zoom)**

VIDEO CALL TO WORSHIP - Advent (Hope)

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REVD. TONY MILES TO LIGHT CANDLE

VIDEO ADVENT LITURGY

Read by Liam Caventa

Second Sunday of Advent: The Prophets

We light this candle for all God's prophets,
confronting justice and restoring the dream
of a world of freedom and peace.

**God, as we wait for your promise,
give light, give hope.**

VIDEO SONG - Once In Royal David's City

STF 214

Once in royal David's city
stood a lowly cattle shed,
where a mother laid her baby
in a manger for his bed:
Mary was that Mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little child.

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;
there his children gather round
bright like stars, with glory crowned.

Cecil Frances Alexander (née Humphreys) (1818-1895)

OPENING PRAYERS - (Zoom)

Led by 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 - (Chapel)

Revd. Tony Miles, Superintendent Minister

VIDEO - POEM (LICC)

Gravity - Mark Greene

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 40:1-11 TNIV

Read by LoveJoy Mendoza-Cummings, Member of
MCHW - (Zoom)

40 Comfort, comfort my people,
says your God.

² Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and proclaim to her

that her hard service has been completed,
that her sin has been paid for,
that she has received from the LORD's hand
double for all her sins.

³ A voice of one calling:

'In the wilderness prepare
the way for the LORD;
make straight in the desert
a highway for our God.

⁴ Every valley shall be raised up,
every mountain and hill made low;
the rough ground shall become level,
the rugged places a plain.

⁵ And the glory of the LORD will be revealed,
and all people will see it together.

For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.'

⁶ A voice says, 'Cry out.'

And I said, 'What shall I cry?'

'All people are like grass,

and all their faithfulness is like the flowers of the field.

- ⁷ The grass withers and the flowers fall,
because the breath of the LORD blows on them.
Surely the people are grass.
- ⁸ The grass withers and the flowers fall,
but the word of our God endures for ever.’
- ⁹ You who bring good news to Zion,
go up on a high mountain.
You who bring good news to Jerusalem,
lift up your voice with a shout,
lift it up, do not be afraid;
say to the towns of Judah,
‘Here is your God!’
- ¹⁰ See, the Sovereign LORD comes with power,
and he rules with a mighty arm.
See, his reward is with him,
and his recompense accompanies him.
- ¹¹ He tends his flock like a shepherd:
he gathers the lambs in his arms
and carries them close to his heart;
he gently leads those that have young.

VIDEO SONG - What A Beautiful Name

No 57 One For All (Spring Harvest 2017)

You were the Word at the beginning,
one with God the Lord Most High;
your hidden glory in creation,
now revealed in you, our Christ.

*What a beautiful name it is,
what a beautiful name it is,
the name of Jesus Christ my King.
What a beautiful name it is,
nothing compares to this.
What a beautiful name it is, the name of Jesus.
You didn't want heaven without us,
so, Jesus, you brought heaven down.
My sin was great,
your love was greater,
what could separate us now?
What a wonderful name it is,*

*what a powerful name it is,
the name of Jesus Christ my King.
What a wonderful name it is,
nothing compares to this;
what a wonderful name it is, the name of Jesus
What a wonderful name it is, the name of Jesus*

Death could not hold you, the veil tore before you,
you silence the boast of sin and grave.
The heavens are roaring the praise of your glory,
for you are raised to life again.

You have no rival, you have no equal,
now and forever, God, you reign.
Yours is the kingdom, yours is the glory,
yours is the name above all names.

*What a powerful name it is,
what a powerful name it is,
the name of Jesus Christ my King.
What a powerful name it is,
nothing can stand against,
what a powerful name it is, the name of Jesus.
What a powerful name it is the name of Jesus.
What a powerful name it is, the name of Jesus.*

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GOSPEL LESSON Mark :1:1-8 TNIV

Read by Josiah Eyeson, Member of MCHW - (Zoom)

John the Baptist prepares the way

1 The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God, **2** as it is written in Isaiah the prophet:

‘I will send my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way’ –

3 ‘a voice of one calling in the wilderness,
“Prepare the way for the Lord,
make straight paths for him.”’

⁴ And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵ The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptised by him in the River Jordan. ⁶ John wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt round his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷ And this was his message: 'After me comes the one more powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. ⁸ I baptise you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.'

SERMON - 'A Gospel to Proclaim'

Revd. Lansford Penn-Timothy

VIDEO HYMN - We Have A Gospel To Proclaim

STF 418

We have a gospel to proclaim,
good news for all throughout the earth;
the gospel of a Saviour's name:
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

Tell of his birth at Bethlehem
not in a royal house or hall
but in a stable dark and dim,
the Word made flesh, a light for all.

Tell of his death at Calvary,
hated by those he came to save,
in lonely suffering on the Cross;
for all he loved his life he gave.

Tell of that glorious Easter morn:
empty the tomb, for he was free.
He broke the power of death and hell
that we might share his victory.

Edward J Burns (born 1938) © Edward J Burns

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION - (Zoom)

Led by Sandra Lopez

Connexional Partnership Co-ordinator for Latin America and the Caribbean

VIDEO - GLOBAL GREETINGS

VIDEO HYMN - Go Tell It On The Mountain

*Go tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere.
Go tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born.*

While shepherds kept their watching
o'er silent flocks by night,
behold, throughout the heavens,
there shone a holy light.

Chorus.

The shepherds feared and trembled
when, lo, above the earth
rang out the angel chorus
that hailed our Saviour's birth:

Chorus.

Down in a lonely manger
the humble Christ was born;
and God sent us salvation
that blessèd Christmas morn.

Chorus (x2)

*Anonymous Afro-American
John Wesley Work (junior) (1872-1925)*

OFFER CONTACT EMAIL & HEALING PRAYER TEAM

Revd. Tony Miles - (Chapel)

THE BLESSING - (Chapel)

Revd. Tony Miles

ORGAN VOLUNTARY:

'Good King Wenceslas' (Lloyd Webber) - Gerard Brooks

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