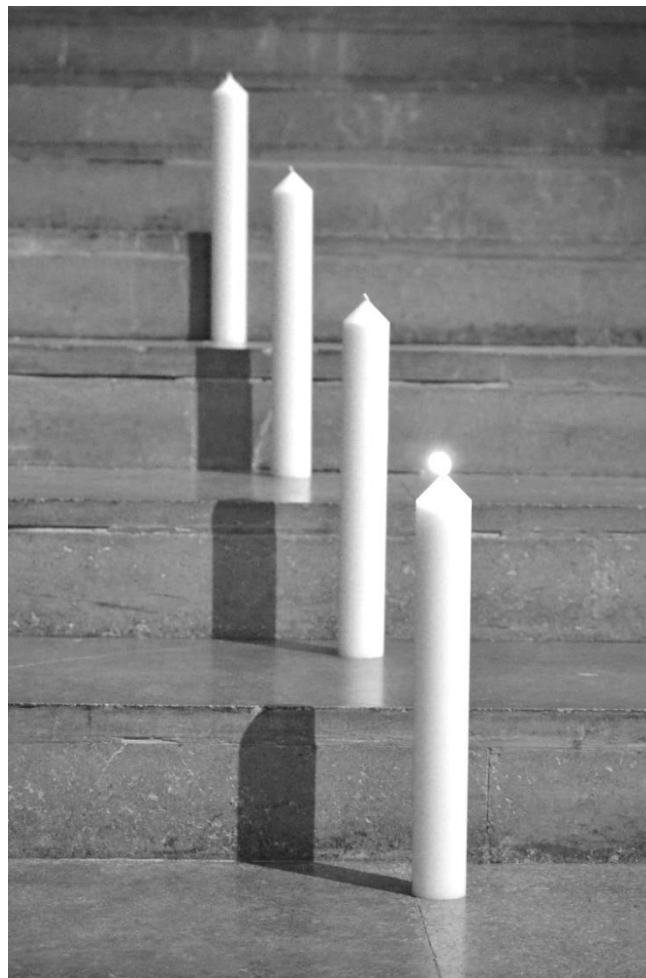




THE CATHEDRAL AND METROPOLITICAL CHURCH OF CHRIST, CANTERBURY

Advent Carol Service



The First Sunday of Advent

27th November 2022

3pm

Welcome to Canterbury Cathedral for this Service

The season of Advent is a time of watchful expectation of Christ's coming (*adventus*, in Latin, means 'coming'). We prepare to celebrate the incarnation, when Christ was born of the Virgin in humility, but we also expect the Second Coming, when Christ will come in triumph to judge the world.

Each section of our service begins with one of the ancient 'O Antiphons', which are traditionally sung on the days leading up to Christmas. Each Antiphon addresses Christ with a title taken from Scripture and leads us to reflect on a particular aspect of his nature.

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Voluntaries before the service

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750), Prelude I & III Nun Komm, Der Heiden Heiland, BWV 659

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750), Duetto in G major BWV 804 and F major, BWV 803

Dietrich Buxtehude, (1637-1707), Nun Komm, Der Heiden Heiland, BuxWV 211

Jeanne Demessieux (1921-68), Rorate Caeli

Johannes Brahms (1883-97), Es ist ein ros entsprungen

Pietro Alessandro Yon (1886-1943), Prelude on Rorate Coeli and Veni Emmanuel

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750), Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 645

played by Jamie Rogers, Assistant Director of Music



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ORDER OF SERVICE

The first candle on the Advent Wreath is lit

Remain seated as the choir sings

The Advent Responsory

I look from afar:
and lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth.

Go ye out to meet him and say:
'Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel?'

High and low, rich and poor, one with another,
Go ye out to meet him and say:

Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep.
Tell us, art thou he that should come?

Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come
to reign over thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

I look from afar:
and lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth.

Go ye out to meet him and say:
'Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel?'

Music: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-94)

As the clergy procession moves from the West end of the Nave, stand to sing

Hymn



Come, thou Redeemer of the earth,
And manifest thy virgin-birth:
Let every age adoring fall.
Such birth befits the God of all.

²Begotten of no human will,
But of the Spirit, thou art still
The Word of God, in flesh arrayed,
The Saviour, now to us displayed.

³Forth from a virgin goeth he,
That royal home of purity,
A giant in twofold substance one,
Rejoicing now his course to run.

⁴From God the Father he proceeds,
To God the Father back he speeds,
Runs out his course to death and hell,
Returns on God's high throne to dwell.

⁵O equal to thy Father, thou!
Gird on thy fleshly mantle now,
The weakness of our mortal state
With deathless might invigorate.

⁶Thy cradle here shall glitter bright,
And darkness glow with new-born light,
No more shall night extinguish day,
Where love's bright beams their power display.

⁷O Jesu, Virgin-born, to thee
Eternal praise and glory be,
Whom with the Father we adore
And Holy Spirit, evermore.

Remain standing

Bidding Prayer

The Dean

In the name of God, who has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and made a place for us in the kingdom of his beloved Son, we welcome you: grace to you and peace.

As we meet to celebrate anew the coming of God's kingdom, we hear revealed the mystery of God's loving purpose for us – how that when we were far off, he met us in his Son and brought us home; how he humbled himself to take our human nature, that we might share his divine glory.

Let us then so celebrate this coming with our carols and hymns of praise, that our lives may be charged with his life; that we may bear witness to his glory and so bring light to those who sit in darkness. So first we pray for those among whom the Christ was born: the poor and helpless, the aged and young children; the cold, the hungry and the homeless; the victims of poverty, injustice and oppression, the sick and those who mourn, the lonely and the unloved; those in despair or in the shadow of death.

Then, as we hear again the message of peace on earth and goodwill among all his people, we pray for the leaders of the nations, that all may be inspired to work together for the establishment of justice, freedom and peace the world over.

And that we may bear true witness to this hope in a divided world, we pray for the peace and unity of Christ's Body, the Church universal, that the whole earth may live to praise his name.

Finally, as we rejoice with the saints in heaven and on earth, we remember all who have gone before us with the sign of faith, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we offer up our prayers for the coming of his kingdom, in the words he himself has taught us, saying:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Dean says

May the Lord when he comes find us watching and waiting,
now and at all times.

Amen.

Sit

Antiphon

O Sapientia

O Wisdom, which camest out of the mouth of the Most High,
and reachest from one end to another,
mightily, and sweetly ordering all things:
Come and teach us the way of prudence.

First Reading

Ecclesiasticus 24.1-9

God's wisdom seeks to dwell with humankind

Wisdom praises herself, and tells of her glory in the midst of her people. In the assembly of the Most High she opens her mouth, and in the presence of his hosts she tells of her glory:

'I came forth from the mouth of the Most High, and covered the earth like a mist. I dwelt in the highest heavens, and my throne was in a pillar of cloud. Alone I compassed the vault of heaven and traversed the depths of the abyss. Over waves of the sea, over all the earth, and over every people and nation I have held sway. Among all these I sought a resting-place; in whose territory should I abide?

'Then the Creator of all things gave me a command, and my Creator chose the place for my tent. He said, "Make your dwelling in Jacob, and in Israel receive your inheritance." Before the ages, in the beginning, he created me, and for all the ages I shall not cease to be.'

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

The Truth from Above

This is the truth sent from above,
The truth of God, the God of love;
Therefore don't turn me from your door,
But hearken all, both rich and poor.

The first thing, which I do relate,
That God at first did man create
The next thing, which to you I tell,
Woman was made with him to dwell.

Then after this, 'twas God's own choice
To place them both in Paradise,
There to remain from evil free
Except they ate of such a tree.

And they did eat, which was a sin,
And thus their ruin did begin;
Ruined themselves, both you and me,
And all of their posterity.

Thus we were heirs to endless woes,
Till God the Lord did interpose
For so a promise soon did run
That He'd redeem us with a Son.

Words: Traditional

Music: arranged Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Antiphon

O Adonai

O Adonai and Leader of the House of Israel,
who appearedst in the bush to Moses in a flame of fire,
and gavest him the law in Sinai:
Come and deliver us with an outstretched arm.

Second Reading

Exodus 3.1-6, 13-15

God is revealed in the burning bush

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.' When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

But Moses said to God, 'If I come to the Israelites and say to them, "The God of your ancestors has sent me to you," and they ask me, "What is his name?" what shall I say to them?' God said to Moses, 'I AM WHO I AM.' He said further, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "I AM has sent me to you."' God also said to Moses, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you": This is my name for ever, and this my title for all generations.'

Thanks be to God.

Stand to sing

Hymn



Wake, O wake! With tidings thrilling
The watchmen all the air are filling,
Arise, Jerusalem, arise!
Midnight strikes! No more delaying,
'The hour has come!' we hear them saying,
'Where are ye all, ye virgins wise?
The Bridegroom comes in sight,
Raise high your torches bright!'
Alleluia!
The wedding song swells loud and strong:
Go forth and join the festal throng.

²Zion hears the watchmen shouting,
Her heart leaps up with joy undoubting,
She stands and waits with eager eyes;
See her Friend from heaven descending,
Adorned with truth and grace unending!
Her light burns clear, her star doth rise.
Now come, thou precious Crown,
Lord Jesus, God's own Son!
Alleluia!
Let us prepare to follow there,
Where in thy supper we may share.

³Every soul in thee rejoices;
From earth and from angelic voices
Be glory given to thee alone!
Now the gates of pearl receive us,
Thy presence never more shall leave us,
We stand with angels round thy throne.
Earth cannot give below
The bliss thou dost bestow.
Alleluia!
Grant us to raise, to length of days,
The triumph-chorus of thy praise.

Sit

Antiphon

O Radix Jesse

O Root of Jesse,
which standest for an ensign of the people,
at whom kings shall shut their mouths,
to whom the Gentiles shall seek:
Come and deliver us, and tarry not.

Third Reading

Isaiah 11.1-9

God's peaceful kingdom

A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

A Spotless Rose

A Spotless Rose is blowing, sprung from a tender root,
Of ancient seers' foreshowing, of Jesse promised fruit;
Its fairest bud unfolds to light
Amid the cold, cold winter, And in the dark midnight.

The Rose which I am singing, whereof Isaiah said,
Is from its sweet root springing in Mary, purest Maid;
Through God's great love and might
The Blessed Babe she bare us in a cold, cold winter's night.

Words: Translated by Catherine Winkworth (1827-78)

Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Antiphon

O Clavis David

O Key of David; and Sceptre of the house of Israel;
that openest and no man shutteth; and shuttest and no man openeth:
Come, and bring the prisoner out of the prisonhouse,
and him that sitteth in darkness, and the shadow of death.

Fourth Reading

Isaiah 42.1-7

God's servant, a light to the nations

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He
will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until
he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his
teaching.

Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the
people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called
you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have
given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come

Peace be to you and grace from him
Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed his blood
That we might saved be.

Sing holy, holy to our Lord,
The Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come;
Sing holy, holy, Lord!

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming, is coming soon,
For Christ is coming soon!

E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,
And night shall be no more;
They need no light nor lamp nor sun,
For Christ will be their All!

Words: Revelation 22

adapted by Ruth Manz (1919-2008)

Music: Paul Manz (1919-2009)

Stand to sing

Hymn



Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in thee.

³Born thy people to deliver;
Born a child and yet a king;
Born to reign in us for ever;
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.

²Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth thou art:
Dear desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

⁴By thy own eternal Spirit,
Rule in all our hearts alone:
By thy all-sufficient merit,
Raise us to thy glorious throne.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-88)

Tune: CROSS OF JESUS

AM 30

Sit

Antiphon

O Oriens

O Dayspring, Brightness of Light everlasting,
and Sun of righteousness:
Come, and enlighten him that sitteth in darkness,
and the shadow of death.

Fifth Reading

Malachi 4.1-3

God brings judgement and righteousness

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of Hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the Lord of Hosts.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Vigilate

The candles on the Nave Altar are lit during this anthem

Vigilate, nescitis enim quando Dominus domus veniat,
sero, an media nocte, an gallicantu, an mane.
Vigilate ergo, ne cum venerit repente, inveniat vos dormientes.
Quod autem dico vobis, omnibus dico, vigilate.

*Watch ye therefore, for you know not when the Lord of the house cometh,
at evening, or at midnight, or at the cock crowing, or in the morning.
Watch therefore, lest coming in all of a sudden, he find you sleeping.
And what I say to you, I say to all: Watch.*

Words: from Mark 13

Music: William Byrd (1543-1623)

Antiphon

O Rex gentium

O King of the nations, and their Desire;
the Cornerstone, who makest both one:
Come, and save mankind, whom thou formedst of clay.

Sixth Reading

Ephesians 2.13-22

God reconciles us in Christ

Now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Jesus Christ the apple tree

The tree of life my soul hath seen,
Laden with fruit and always green;
The trees of nature fruitless be,
Compared with Christ the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excel,
By faith I know but ne'er can tell
The glory which I now can see,
In Jesus Christ the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought,
And pleasure dearly I have bought;
I missed of all but now I see
'Tis found in Christ the apple tree.

I'm weary with my former toil -
Here I will sit and rest awhile,
Under the shadow I will be,
Of Jesus Christ the apple tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive,
It keeps my dying faith alive;
Which makes my soul in haste to be
With Jesus Christ the apple tree.

Words: Anonymous 18th Century

Music: Elizabeth Poston (1905-87)

Stand to sing

Hymn



Hills of the North, rejoice,
River and mountain-spring,
Hark to the advent voice;
Valley and lowland, sing;
Christ comes in righteousness and love,
He brings salvation from above.

²Isles of the Southern seas,
Sing to the listening earth,
Carry on every breeze,
Hope of a world's new birth:
In Christ shall all be made anew,
His word is sure, his promise true.

³Lands of the East, arise,
He is your brightest morn,
Greet him with joyous eyes,
Praise shall his path adorn:
Your seers have longed to know their Lord;
To you he comes, the final word.

⁴Shores of the utmost West,
Lands of the setting sun,
Welcome the heavenly guest
In whom the dawn has come:
He brings a never-ending light
Who triumphed o'er our darkest light.

⁵Shout, as you journey home;
Songs be in every mouth,
Lo, from the North they come,
From East and West and South:
In Jesus all shall have their rest,
In him the universe be blest.

Words: Editors of English Praise (1975)
based on Charles Ernest Oakley (1832-65)

Tune: LITTLE CORNARD

AM 39

Remain standing

Antiphon

O Emmanuel

O Emmanuel, our King and Lawgiver,
the Desire of all nations
and their Salvation:
Come and save us O Lord, our God.

The Gospel

Luke 1.26-38 (The Annunciation)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, 'Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you.' But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.' Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I am a virgin?' The angel said to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.' Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Antiphon

O Virgo virginum

O Virgin of virgins, how shall this be?
For neither before thee was any like thee, nor shall there be after.
Daughters of Jerusalem, why marvel ye at me?
That which ye behold is a divine mystery.

Sit

Anthem

Angelus ad Virginem
Subintrans in conclave,
Virginis formidinem
Demulcens, inquit: Ave!
Ave regina virginum;
Caeli terraeque Dominum
Concipies
Et paries intacta
Salutem hominum;
Tu porta caeli facta,
Medela criminum.

Quomodo conciperem
Quae virum non cognovi?
Qualiter infringerem
Quod firma mente vovi?
Spiritus Sancti gratia
Perficiet haec omnia;
Ne timeas,
Sed gaudeas, secura
Quod castimonia
Manebit in te pura
Dei potentia.

Ad haec virgo nobilis
Respondens inquit ei:
Ancilla sum humilis
Omnipotentis Dei.
Tibi caelesti nuntio,
Tanti secreti conscio,
Consentiens,
Et cupiens videre
Factum quod audio;
Parata sum parere,
Dei consilio.

Eia mater Domini,
Quae pacem reddidisti
Angelis et homini,
Cum Christum genuisti:
Tuum exora filium
Ut se nobis propitium
Exhibeat, Et deleat peccata:
Praestans auxilium
Vita frui beata Post hoc exsilium.
Deo Gratias.

Words: Anonymous 13th century,
tr Gerard Manley Hopkins (1844-89)

Angelus ad Virginem

*Gabriel, from heaven's king
Sent to the maiden sweet,
Brought to her blissful tiding
And fair 'gan her to greet.
'Hail be thou, full of grace aright!
For so God's Son, the heaven's light,
Loves man, that He
a man will be and take
Flesh of thee, maiden bright,
Mankind free for to make
Of sin and devil's might.'*

*Gently to him gave answer
The gentle maiden then:
'And in what wise should I bear
Child, that know not man?'
The angel said: 'O dread thee nought.
'Tis through the Holy Ghost that wrought
Shall be this thing
whereof tidings I bring:
Lost mankind shall be bought
By thy sweet childbearing,
And back from sorrow brought.*

*When the maiden understood
And the angel's words had heard,
Mildly, of her own mild mood,
The angel she answered:
'Our Lord His handmaiden, I wis,
I am, that here above us is:
And touching me
fulfilled be thy saw;
That I, since His will is,
Be, out of nature's law
A maid with mother's bliss.'*

*Filled full of charity,
Thou matchless maiden-mother,
Pray for us to him that He
For thy love above other,
Away our sin and guilt should take,
And clean of every stain us make
And heaven's bliss, when our time is to die,
Would give us for thy sake;
With grace to serve him by
Till He to us him take.*

Music: 13th century

All stand

The Collect

Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness
and to put on the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life,
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility;
that on the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Blessing

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you,
scatter the darkness from before your path,
and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Remain standing to sing

Hymn *(during which the choir and clergy process to the West Door)*



Lo, he comes, with clouds descending,
Once for favoured sinners slain;
Thousand thousand saints attending
Swell the triumph of his train:
Alleluia!
God appears on earth to reign.

²Every eye shall now behold him
Robed in dreadful majesty;
Those who set at nought and sold him,
Pierced and nailed him to the Tree,
Deeply wailing,
Shall the true Messiah see.

³Those dear tokens of his passion
Still his dazzling body bears,
Cause of endless exultation
To his ransomed worshippers:
With what rapture
Gaze we on those glorious scars!

⁴Yea, Amen, let all adore thee,
High on thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory,
Claim the kingdom for thine own:
Alleluia!
Thou shalt reign, and thou alone.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-88)
and John Cennick (1718-55)

Tune: HELMSLEY

AM 41

Organ Voluntary Andrew Carter (b 1939), Toccata on Veni Emmanuel

A retiring collection will be taken by the stewards at the doors as you leave

Christmas Services at the Cathedral

Sunday 4th December

5.30pm St Nicholas Celebration for Children and Families – Nave
Music from the Girl Choristers and children from local schools

Friday 23rd December

(Last admission for visiting 3.00pm)

5.30pm Evening Prayer (said) – Eastern Crypt

7.30pm Cathedral Carol Service – *doors open 6.30pm*

Saturday 24th December – Christmas Eve

(Cathedral open for services only)

11.00am Family Crib Service – Nave

3.00pm Cathedral Carol Service – *doors open 2.00pm*

5.30pm Choral Evensong – Quire

Sunday 25th December – CHRISTMAS DAY

(Cathedral open for services only)

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) – High Altar

9.15am Choral Matins – Quire

11.00am Sung Eucharist – Nave
President and Preacher: The Archbishop

3.00pm Choral Evensong – Quire

Monday 26th December – Stephen, First Martyr

5.30pm Choral Evensong with congregational carols – Quire

Thursday 29th December – The Martyrdom of Thomas of Canterbury

3.00pm Choral Evensong and Procession to the Martyrdom and Crypt
Sung by the Lay Clerks of the Cathedral Choir