



## **CAROL SERVICE**

**'Virtually' from  
St Martin's Chapel**

**Monday, 20 December 2021**

*Clergy: The Rev'd Paul Mundy, Vicar of St Mary's Church, Newick*

*Organist: Andrew Rees*

*St Peter's Church Choir, Chailey*



*Registered Charity Number: 1075837*

# WELCOME

from Helen Hewitt, Chief Executive, Chailey Heritage Foundation

## PLEASE SING

1  
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.

2  
Joy to the World, the Saviour reigns!  
Let men their songs employ;  
While fields and floods, rocks, hill and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

3  
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.

## BIDDING PRAYER

Almighty God, who gave us Jesus that he may teach us how to live, and through his spirit provide the power for us to act on his behalf in the world of today. Give us grace to celebrate this season of his birth with the same awe and joy the angels, shepherds and wise men of old experienced.

Help us hear the angels sing in our hearts and with our spiritual eyes see the glory of his presence among us. Grant us a special grace that we may enter into his presence with praise and thanksgiving. May the spirit of Jesus be born anew in each of our hearts as we celebrate this time together. Make us aware of the needs of the world, and of each other that you may minister through us.

These prayers and praises let us humbly offer up to the Throne of Heaven, in the words which Christ himself has taught us:

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.

**PLEASE SING**

1

While shepherds watched their flocks by night,  
All seated on the ground,  
The angel of the Lord came down  
And glory shone around.

2

"Fear not" said he – for mighty dread  
Had seized their troubled minds –  
"Glad tidings of great joy I bring  
To you and all mankind:

3

"To you in David's town this day  
Is born of David's line  
A Saviour, who is Christ the Lord.  
And this shall be the sign:

4

"The heavenly babe you there shall find  
To human view displayed,  
All meanly wrapped in swathing bands  
And in a manger laid."

5

Thus spoke the seraph, and forthwith  
Appeared a shining throng  
Of angels praising God, who thus  
Addressed their joyful song:

6

"All glory be to God on high,  
And to the earth be peace;  
Goodwill henceforth from highest heaven  
Begin and never cease!"

**First Lesson (Luke 2, v1-7) read by  
Shea with support from Gemma and Al**

**CAROL SUNG BY THE YOUNG PEOPLE – PLEASE JOIN IN**

1

Little donkey, little donkey  
on the dusty road  
Got to keep on plodding onwards  
with your precious load.  
Been a long time little donkey  
Through the winter's night.  
Don't give up now little donkey  
Bethlehem's in sight.  
*Ring out those bells tonight  
Bethlehem, Bethlehem.  
Follow the star tonight  
Bethlehem, Bethlehem.*

2

Little donkey, little donkey  
had a heavy day  
Little donkey  
carry Mary safely on her way.  
Little donkey, little donkey  
carry Mary safely on her way.

**Second Lesson (Luke 2, V8-16) read by  
Anastasia with support from Amy**

**PLEASE SING**

1  
Away in a manger, no crib for a bed  
The little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head  
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he  
lay  
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay

2  
The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes  
But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes  
I love thee Lord Jesus look down from the sky  
And stay by my side 'til morning is nigh

3  
Be near me Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay  
Close by me forever and love me, I pray  
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care  
And fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

**THE COLLECT FOR CHRISTMAS EVE**

Almighty God, you make us glad with the yearly remembrance  
of the birth of your Son Jesus Christ: grant that, as we joyfully  
receive him as our redeemer, so we may with sure confidence  
behold him when he shall come to be our judge, who is alive and  
reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God now and forever.  
Amen

**Third Lesson (Luke 2, v 17-20)**

**read by Mark Creamer, Chair of Trustees**

**\*Special Makaton songs created by school staff and Chailey Clinical Services\***

**PLEASE SING**

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 heav'n 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!*

**THE BLESSING**

***We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.***