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Welcome to
The Church of Saint James the Greater
Leicester



ADVENT PROCESSION

SUNDAY 27th NOVEMBER 2022

Welcome to the Church of Saint James the Greater for our Advent Carol Service.

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Director of Music: Emma Trounson

Organist: Michael Rule

To allow you to show your appreciation of the wonderful music you will listen to over the next hour or so, you will find collection bowls on the tables at the back of church. Any contribution you are able to make to help St. James continue its matchless musical tradition is truly appreciated by all of us.

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION by the Reverend Andrew Quigley

The congregation is seated in silence as the lights are dimmed

ORGAN Hymn Prelude on O Come O Come Emmanuel *Flor Peeters*

Please stand and face the back of the church

CHOIR Matin Responsory *Rule*

A COLLECT FOR ADVENT

Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people:
that they plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may of thee be plenteously rewarded, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN 32 (choir only v.1-2) Come, thou Redeemer of the earth

During the rest of the service, the congregation remains seated for the readings and choir items and stands for the hymns.

FIRST LESSON The coming King Zechariah 9.9-10

HYMN 45 (choir only v.1 and 4) O Come, O Come Emmanuel

during which the procession moves to the Chancel steps

SECOND LESSON	The Righteous Ruler	Jeremiah 23.5-6
CHOIR	This is the truth sent from above	<i>Vaughan Williams</i>
HYMN 50	The advent of our King	
CHOIR	People Look East	<i>Ferguson</i>
THIRD LESSON	Look to the East	Baruch 5.5-6
CHOIR	Lift up your heads, O ye gates	<i>Mathias</i>
HYMN 38	Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding <i>during which the procession moves to the choir stalls</i>	
FOURTH LESSON	John the Baptist	Matthew 3. 1-11
CHOIR	This is the record of John	<i>Gibbons</i>
HYMN 46	On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry	
FIFTH LESSON	The Annunciation to Mary	Luke 1. 26-35
CHOIR	The Angel Gabriel	<i>Traditional arr. Pettman</i>
HYMN 30	Come, thou long-expected Jesus <i>during which the procession moves to the Sanctuary</i>	
<i>Please sit</i>	SILENCE IS KEPT	
CHOIR	Let all mortal flesh keep silence	<i>Bairstow</i>
SIXTH LESSON	The Vision of Heaven	Revelation 5. 11 – 12
	concluding with the	
CHOIR	Gloria from the Evening Service in C	<i>Stanford</i>
	<i>A short silence precedes the Prayers</i>	

VICAR As we await the fulfilment of the promise of glory, let us pray for the coming of the Kingdom in the words our Saviour 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.**

CANTOR We wait for thy loving kindness, O Lord.
CHOIR In the midst of thy temple

CHOIR Vesper Responsory *Rule*

THE COLLECT FOR ADVENT SUNDAY

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now and in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty, to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and for ever.

CHOIR Amen from Geistliches Lied *Brahms*

Please stand

BLESSING

The Lord is at hand.

Be careful for nothing:

but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving,
let your requests be made known unto God.

And the peace of God, which passes all understanding,
shall keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

HYMN 41

Lo, he comes with clouds descending

ORGAN VOLUNTARY - L. Vierne (1870-1937), Toccata

Please take this leaflet away with you at the end of the service.



SERVICES FOR CHRISTMAS 2022 and EPIPHANY 2023

Sunday 11th December	4:30 pm 'Tears & Celebration' Carol Service in aid of Leicester Children's Hospital Appeal. Celebrating the message and meaning of Christmas, dedicated to the late Queen Elizabeth II. To reserve a place, please call the church office on 0116 2542111
Sunday 19th December	6:30 pm Service of Nine Lessons and Carols
Saturday 24th December	4.00 pm Children's Service 11:30 pm Midnight Mass
Sunday 25th December	8.30 am Said Communion (BCP) 10.30 am Family Service followed by Holy Communion
Sunday 15th January	6:30 pm Epiphany Carol Service