



**TRINITY CHURCH**  
**(Methodist & United Reformed)**

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*'Serving God, serving each other, serving community'*

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Sunday 21 December

**4.30pm Carol Service**

led by Revd Georgina Bondzi-Simpson

**Church Stewards** on duty: Ian Brawn & Carolyn Hawkes

**Organist:** Chris Greenough

**Audio – Visual Team:** Reg Williams & Elizabeth Brawn

**A special welcome** to any visitors joining us today

There is an **Open Prayer Book** in the Welcome Area for you to enter the name of any situation or person you wish to remember during the service.

There is also a **Prayer Box** for requests which, for any reason, need to remain confidential, and each individual will be prayed for by name later in the week, and in confidence, by the Prayer Group.

Our **Junior Church** will not be meeting today. Children are welcome to stay in the Service, or take advantage of the toys and activities in the Welcome Area

Our **Collection** today will be given to **Crisis at Christmas**

## **Welcome**

### **Advent Liturgy**

#### **Reading**

**Mathew 1: 18 - 21**

 **Christmas is coming**

**StF 166** (v 1, 2, 3 & 4)

#### **The fourth candle is lit**

Even in our knowledge of what is to come,  
how some who praised you then turn against you,  
**we cannot help but rejoice in the opportunities  
your coming among us presents.**

May we hold on to this new dawn  
and make it the eternal day. Amen.

 **Once in royal David's City**

**StF 214**

#### **Opening Prayers**

#### **Reading**

**Genesis 3: 8-15, 17 - 19**

 **O Come, O Come Immanuel**

**StF 180**

#### **Reading**

**Genesis 22: 15 - 18**

**I wonder as I wander**

**Cate Davis**

#### **Reading**

**Isaiah 9: 2, 6 - 7**

 **Ding Dong merrily on high**

Ding dong, merrily on high!  
In heav'n the bells are ringing;  
ding dong, verily the sky  
is riv'n with angel singing.  
Gloria, hosannah in excelsis!  
Gloria, hosannah in excelsis!

E'en so here below, below,  
let steeple bells be swungen,  
And io, io, io,  
by priest and people sungen.  
Gloria, hosannah in excelsis!  
Gloria, hosannah in excelsis!

Pray ye dutifully prime  
your matin chime, ye ringers;  
may ye beautifully rhyme  
your evetime song, ye singers.  
Gloria, hosannah in excelsis!  
Gloria, hosannah in excelsis!

*George Ratcliffe Woodward*  
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## Reading

**Luke 2: 1 - 12**

 **See him lying on a bed of straw**

**StF 216**

## Offering

Gracious and generous God,  
we thank you for all that you freely give us.  
With thankful hearts we bring you our offering  
of money, time and talent, and we offer ourselves to you too.  
Use these gifts to your glory,  
transforming us and our communities  
into places of joy, hope and peace.  
In Jesus' name we pray.  
Amen.

## Reading

**Matthew 2: 1 - 12**

 **Come and join the celebration**

**StF 196**

## Reflection

**The Christmas Guest**

Helen Steiner Rice

*Please stay seated to listen to*

**Love Shone Down**

Joy & Ruth Everingham

StF 203

## Prayers of Intercession

**The Lord's Prayer**

## Reading

**John 1: 1 - 14**

 **O come all ye faithful**

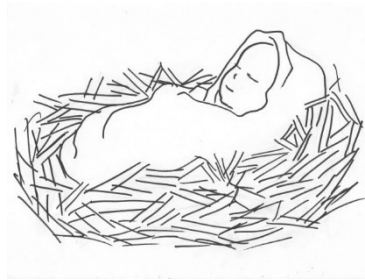
**StF 212**

(vv 1-5)

## Blessing

 **Hark the herald angels sing**

**StF 202**



**May Love, Joy & Peace,  
be yours to have and to give this Christmas**

**Next Week at Trinity**

**Wednesday 24 Christmas Eve**

**4:00pm Christingle Service**

led by Revd Georgina Bondzi-Simpson  
*Special collection for Action for Children*

**Thursday 25 CHRISTMAS DAY**

**10.00am Morning Worship**

led by Revd Georgina Bondzi-Simpson  
*Special collection for Crisis at Christmas*

**Sunday 28 December**

**10:30 Morning Worship**, led by Revd Pauline Main

Thanks to all who have donated mince pies

and to the Flower Team, and the Christmas Tree Team  
for decorating the Church so beautifully for Christmas