



Christ Church Worthing

HYMN, SONG AND PEW SHEET

The First Sunday of Advent

3rd December 2017

A Celebration of Life Service

10.30am Holy Communion

led by Revd Alex Grubb and Canon Muriel Pargeter

6pm BCP Evensong

led by Revd George Butterworth

There is prayer in the organ vestry every Sunday at 10 am for 15 minutes before the service and you are welcome to join at any time.

TODAY:

Epistle: Psalm 23 read by Mary Clarke

Gospel: Luke 15: 1 - 7 read by Janine Hobbs

and

Intercessions led by Elliott Allison

The Organ Voluntary following our Service today will be:

Sonata in C Terza Maggiore by Giuseppe Aleotti

(1st half of 18th century).

SERVICES IN DECEMBER

10th December 10.30am Morning Prayer with Derek Hansen

**14th December 12.30pm BCP Holy Communion
with Revd Alex Grubb**

**17th December 10.30am Holy Communion
with Revd Alex Grubb and Canon Muriel Pargeter**

**17th December 4pm Candlelit service of
Nine Lessons and Carols with Canon Muriel Pargeter**

**24th December 10.30am Morning Prayer
with Revd David Renshaw and Canon Muriel Pargeter**

**24th December 11.30pm Midnight Holy Communion
with Revd David Renshaw**

**25th December 10.30am Holy Communion
with Revd David Renshaw**

**28th December 12.30pm BCP Holy Communion
with Revd George Butterworth**

**31st December 10.30am Holy Communion
with Revd Alex Grubb and Canon Muriel Pargeter**

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Opening Hymn [32]

O Come, o come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear:
*Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free
thine own from Satan's tyranny
from depths of hell thy people save
and give them victory o'er the grave.
*Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

Oh, come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer
our spirits by thine advent here.
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death's dark shadows put to flight.
*Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel*

O come, thou Key of David, come,
and open wide our heavenly home;
make safe the way that leads on high,
and close the path to misery.
*Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel*

O come, O come, thou Lord of might,
who to thy tribes on Sinai's height
in ancient times didst give the law,
in cloud and majesty and awe.
*Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

*Latin Advent Antiphons
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Worship Songs

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here.
Come, bow before him now,
with reverence and fear.
In him no sin is found,
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned.
How awesome is the sight,
our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place;
he comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him,
in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

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Song 2

Father, I place into your hands
the things I cannot do.
Father, I place into your hands
the things that I've been through.
Father, I place into your hands
the way that I should go,
for I know I always can trust you.

Father, I place into your hands
my friends and family.
Father, I place into your hands
the things that trouble me.
Father, I place into your hands
the person I would be,
for I know I always can trust you.

Father, we love to see your face,
we love to hear your voice.
Father, we love to sing your praise
and in your name rejoice.
Father, we love to walk with you
and in your presence rest,
for we know we always can trust you.

Father, I want to be with you
and do the things you do.
Father, I want to speak the words
that you are speaking too.
Father, I want to love the ones
that you will draw to you,
for I know that I am one with you.

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Offertory Hymn [386]

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,
be thou ever with me, and I with thee Lord;
be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;
be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;
be thou my whole armor, be thou my true might;
be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower:
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise:
be thou mine inheritance now and always;
be thou and thou only the first in my heart;
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright sun,
O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won;
great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

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Final Hymn [29]

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee;
yet possessing every blessing,
if our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us;
all our weakness thou dost know;
thou didst tread this earth before us;
thou didst feel its keenest woe;
lone and dreary, faint and weary
through the desert thou didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy;
love with every passion blending
pleasure that can never cloy;
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.

James Edmeston. Public Domain

***Please stay for coffee
and a chat after the service!***



All those whom we know who are sick, grieving, lonely or troubled, and our neighbouring churches also in vacancy: St Andrew's, St Botolph's and St Matthews.

Wednesday Coffee mornings

Many thanks to all come along to support the Wednesday coffee mornings.

THE CHRISTMAS POST BOX is at the back of the church for you to post your cards **to church members** [no external mail]. Please ensure your cards are correctly addressed with Christian and surnames so the post 'sorters' can put them on the right piles. Last posting on 24th December but please post **AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.**



A plea from Dorothy!



Would you be able to buy a box of Mince Pies to be used for our Floral Demonstration and Christmas Events in December? If so, please ensure the boxes are sell-by dated to the end of December and bring them along to Church as soon as you like! Many thanks.

Peter and Mary Stewart have again asked for our prayers – particularly this month for the **Iraq Bible Society**. Please give thanks that some refugees are returning home and pray that God will help them rebuild their lives, share the Gospel and witness to their community. Also that we may remember the Bible Society who has been able to partner local churches providing bibles, food and trauma healing. Please pray that the Christians in Iraq will grow in strength, faith and number and be a real force for good as the country rebuilds its infrastructure.

***A message from Kisten Stevenson
from the Bible Society***

Thank you all for making my visit to Christ Church so enjoyable last Sunday. I really enjoyed my time in prayer, worship and conversation. It was nice to be able to get time to speak to so many members of the church community. Thanks to everyone for the warm welcome and for their generous support of our work.



Dates for your diary !

Wednesday, 6th December –

10.30 am to 12 noon.

There will be a special **COFFEE MORNING** when the choir of Heene School will be performing a Christmas selection of carols and songs. All proceeds go to the **BIBLE SOCIETY**. This is always a joyous occasion, so even if you don't normally come along, please make a special effort to support it. [*There are usually delicious home-made cheese scones for sale!*].

6th December to 4th January 2018
Christ Church Christmas Tree Festival
returns!



Come along and see the trees donated and decorated by the many groups within our church fellowship, the Missions we support and the many friends and groups from the community who use our Church regularly.

Note to those donating trees:

Trees will be set up on Monday and Tuesday, 4th & 5th December between 10am and 2pm. They will be taken down on Wednesday, 3rd January between 10.30am and 12 noon and Thursday, 4th January between 2.30 and 4.30pm

Saturday, 9th December – 10am to 12 noon -
Coffee Morning with *Christmas Goods for Sale*



Saturday 9th December at 2pm by a demonstration of Christmas Flower Arranging ***“Let’s make a floral Christmas!”*** given by Jonathan Davidson. Entrance £5. Mulled Wine and Mince Pies will be served afterwards.

Arrangements will be raffled at the end of the afternoon, proceeds all go towards the repair of the Christ Church Organ.

Tickets available at the coffee table in the Church or by contacting Janine at

janine.h@ntlworld.com

17th December – 4pm



CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE Join us

once again for our Annual Service of Nine Carols and Readings and start Christmas off in the true spirit!

Hope Now is a mission that supports many, including orphaned children in the Ukraine. As one of the missions that Christ Church supports, we are this year collecting Christmas gifts to be brought in to place beneath the tree between 6th December, when the trees will be on display, until the Christmas Carol service on 17th December. After the Carol service, the gifts will be transported to Southampton, to their distribution depot after the service, to reach the children for their Christmas as the Ukraine celebrates Christmas in January. Gifts should be for a child, unwrapped, and placed in a Christmas bag. This is to ensure they get through the border checks, and that the people distributing them can give them to the most appropriate age group and gender etc.



6 pm 1662 BCP Evensong – Service order

Conducted by Revd George Butterworth

Hymn 27 *Hark the glad sound the Saviour comes*

Confession etc. *(see booklet)*

Responses

Psalm 9 *(see pointed sheet)*

1st Reading, Isaiah 1: 1 - 20 *Reader: Joan Pemble*

Canticle – Magnificat *(see pointed sheet)*

2nd Reading, Mark 13: 24 - end *Reader: Sue Caple*

Canticle – Nunc Dimittis *(see pointed sheet)*

Creed, Responses, Collects *(see booklet)*

Hymn 37 *The Lord will come and not be slow*

Prayers *led by Dorothy Foan*

Hymn 492 *Jesus where'er thy people meet*

Sermon

Offertory Hymn 31 *Lo he comes with clouds descending*

Blessing

Organ Voluntary

Our thanks to Revd George Butterworth for leading our service tonight - please stay for coffee or tea and a chat afterwards!