



Christ Church Worthing

HYMN, SONG AND SERVICE SHEET

The First Sunday of Advent

2nd December 2018

**10.30am Holy Communion
led by The Revd David Renshaw
and Canon Muriel Pargeter**

Please note that some may prefer to have a quiet time of prayer during the peace and sit rather than shaking hands

**6pm BCP Evensong
led by The Revd David Renshaw**

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: 1 Thessalonians 3: 9 - end read by Gwen Macphail
Gospel: Luke 21: 25 - 36 read by John Nobbs
Intercessions led by Elliott Allison**

The Organ Voluntary following our Service today will be:
*Hymnus. De Adventu Domini. Veni Redemptor Gentium from
Tabulatura Nova Part III (5 verses)
Samuel Scheidt 1587-1654 Halle.*

Services in December

- 9th December 10.30am Morning Prayer**
with The Revd David Renshaw
- 13th December 10.30am BCP Holy Communion**
with The Revd David Renshaw
- 16th December 10.30am Holy Communion**
with Derek Hansen and The Revd David Renshaw
- 16th December 4pm Carol Service**
with The Revd David Renshaw and Chris Emson,
from the Mother's Union
- 23rd December 10.30am Morning Prayer**
with Canon Muriel Pargeter
- 24th December 11.30pm Midnight Holy Communion**
with The Revd David Renshaw
- 25th December 10.30am Christmas Holy Communion**
with The Revd David Renshaw and Canon Muriel Pargeter
- 30th December 10.30am Holy Communion**
with The Revd David Renshaw

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Opening Hymn [24]

Come, O long-expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free!
from our fears and sins release us,
let us find our rest in thee.

Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art
dear desire of every nation,
joy of every longing heart.

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

By thy own eternal Spirit
rule in our hearts alone;
by thy all-sufficient merit
raise us to thy glorious throne.

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Worship Songs

Great is the darkness that covers the earth,
oppression, injustice and pain.
Nations are slipping in hopeless despair,
though many have come in your name.
Watching while sanity dies,
touched by the madness and lies.

*Come, Lord Jesus,
come, Lord Jesus,
pour out your Spirit, we pray.
Come, Lord Jesus,
come, Lord Jesus,
pour out your Spirit on us today.*

May now your church rise with power and love,
this glorious gospel proclaim.
In every nation salvation will come
to those who believe in your name.
Help us bring light to this world
that we might speed your return.

Great celebrations on that final day
when out of the heavens you come.
Darkness will vanish, all sorrow will end,
and rulers will bow at your throne.
Our great commission complete,
then face to face we shall meet.

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Song 2

Jesus is the name we honour;
Jesus is the name we praise.
Majestic Name above all other names,
the highest heav'n and earth proclaim
that Jesus is our God.

*We will glorify,
we will lift him high,
we will give him honour and praise.
We will glorify,
we will lift him high,
we will give him honour and praise.*

Jesus is the name we worship;
Jesus is the name we trust.
He is the King above all other kings,
let all creation stand and sing
that Jesus is our God. *Refrain*

Jesus is the Father's splendour;
Jesus is the Father's joy.
He will return to reign in majesty,
and every eye at last will see
that Jesus is our God. *Refrain*

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Offertory Hymn [34]

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh:
awake and hearken for he brings
glad tidings of the King of kings.

Then cleansed be every breast from sin,
make straight the way for God within,
prepare we in our hearts a home
where such a mighty guest may come.

For thou art our salvation, Lord,
our refuge and our great reward
without thy grace we waste away
like flowers that wither and decay.

To heal the sick, stretch out thine hand,
and bid the fallen sinner stand;
shine forth, and let thy light restore
earth's own true loveliness once more.

All praise eternal Son to thee,
whose advent doth thy people free;
whom with the Father we adore
and Holy Ghost for evermore.

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(altered by compilers of Hymns Ancient and Modern)*

Final 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. *Refrain*

O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer
our spirits by thine advent here;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death's dark shadow put to flight. *Refrain*

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. *Refrain*

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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Please stay for coffee and a chat after the service!

If anyone feels that they would like to lead Intercessions occasionally at morning or evening services, please see Janine



All those whom we know that are lonely, troubled, grieving or sick, and church family members and residents in local nursing & care homes whom Muriel and the pastoral team visit. We also give thanks and pray for St Andrew's as they welcome Revd John Eldridge, also vicar of St John the Divine, West Worthing, as their new Priest in Charge this afternoon.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL. We will be putting up our annual display of trees all day on Tuesday 4th and during the afternoon of Thursday 6th December.



This year's Christmas offering and tree presents at the Carol Service will be for Mother's Union, working in Worthing Hospital. If you wish to give presents, please place them, unwrapped, in a Christmas bag under the main tree at the front of the church, by the lectern. This year, they have requested any of the following: WASABLE felt pens [not crayons], craft packs of paper and card for painting, colouring books of individual, detachable sheets, Pritt sticks [glue sticks], paint brushes, and children's story audio CDs.



Wednesday, 5th December

Heene School Choir join us for their annual Carol Singing for the Bible Society Coffee Morning: 10.30am to 12 noon.



The Mothers' Union has had a wonderful year celebrating going forward in the footsteps as our founder Mary Sumner did; praying with our feet moving!!

Faith in Action. Members of Christ Church have embraced our local Projects, both financially and with their time!! They are continuing to do this for 2019 too.

Please if I haven't explained something clearly – PLEASE tell me. I have found myself trying to explain our projects, for example AFIA which means as much possibly to you as “Renaissance and Renegade met Kitty hawk by cow puncher” meant to me when I first heard it.

Jargon/acronyms - we all use them, and they are littered throughout Mothers' Union and the Church of England. Perhaps by not explaining these well, we may give others that don't come to Church the wrong impressions. So, it moves into the secular world meaning different things.

Think about it every time we turn the light switch on; we have “Faith”, faith that the light will illuminate. I was asked recently what my Faith meant to me if I was celebrating “Faith in Action”. I remembered my very old Sunday School Teacher – Mrs. Dummer, (she was probably only 60years old), teaching us what our Faith meant: **Forsaking All I Trust Him**. The action? By then doing what He tells us to do. It is our Faith that marks us out as Christians.

And what of the Jargon? AFIA – **Away From It All** holidays, and the other is US Secret Service speak, stating, Michelle Obama and Barrack Obama met Queen Elizabeth II by air force! Google it!

Wishing all my new friends at Christ Church a blessed Christmas.

I heard the bells on Christmas day, their old familiar carols play, and wild and sweet the words repeat, of “Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men!”
(William Wadsworth Longfellow)

Karen Hill

Branch Leader West Tarring

Keeping in touch!

Christ Church operates a taxi service for those who find it difficult to get to church on a Sunday, or through the week. If you would like to use the service, please talk with Joan, Sylvia or Lorraine. **You do not then have to pay the driver. This is not dependent in any way on ability to pay**, this is to help people get to church, without worrying. If people feel they would like to contribute towards the cost of the fares, they merely place their donation in a Gift Aid envelope, marked 'Taxi'.

*** Please note there will be no Coffee served at the church at 10.30 am to 12 noon on Saturday, 8th December 2018 ***

Open Church



Many thanks to all who come along to support our 'Open Church' days throughout the week, and especially to our fundraising Mission coffee mornings each Wednesday, when we welcome donations for the many missions we support.

PARISH MAGAZINE

All articles/contributions for all future issues, please email to annphotiades@btinternet.com or alternatively leave a copy in the Church Office marked for Ann's attention. The deadline for articles for the January edition is 7th December.

Many thanks. **Editor**



Muriel and Miles will both be celebrating significant birthday's on the 27th of December. They would like to extend a warm and open invitation to all the church family to join them for a joint 'celebration' following the morning service on Sunday 6th January 2019. All they require is your 'presence' as caterers will be providing food and drink – They hope you can make it!

TURNING TIDES

[Formerly Worthing Churches Homeless Projects]

I am appealing for help for the people in society that don't have the home comforts that we enjoy and maybe we take a bit for granted. Homeless people feel excluded from society, they are depressed, frightened, in danger at night, hungry and thirsty.

They are often without hope and sometimes driven to addictions to block out their thoughts.

TURNING TIDES can change all that, but they need help from us in just small ways.

TURNING TIDES is currently losing a lot of government funding.

There have been funding changes to housing benefit and funds have been cut by county council. There is a basket and a new list of practical donations that they badly need at present, at the back of the church: - including toiletries, cleaning products, food, sweets, nuts, and crisps.

The full list can be found at the back of the church.

For more information, please ask **Judie Johnson**.

Thank you!!

TURNING TIDES is a local Registered Charity No. 1027832

6 pm 1662 BCP Evensong - Service Order

Conducted by The Revd David Renshaw

Hymn 27 Hark the glad sound! the Saviour comes

Confession etc. (see booklet)

Responses

Psalm 9, verses 1 - 8 (see pointed sheet)

1st Reading, Joel 3: 9 - end Reader: Mary Clarke

Canticle – Magnificat (see pointed sheet)

2nd Reading: Revelation 14: 13-15.4 Reader: Joan Pemble

Canticle – Nunc Dimittis (see pointed sheet)

Creed, Responses, Collects (see booklet)

Hymn 54 I cannot tell why he whom angels worship

Prayers led by John Bull

Hymn 37 The Lord will come and not be slow

Sermon

Offertory Hymn 29 Hills of the North rejoice

Blessing

Organ Voluntary

**PLEASE STAY FOR COFFEE OR TEA AND A CHAT
AFTERWARDS**

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