

1. Long Ago Prophets Knew

1. Long ago, prophets knew
Christ would come, born a Jew,
come to make all things new,
bear his people's burden,
freely love and pardon.

*Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!
Sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!
When he comes, when he comes,
who will make him welcome?*

2. God in time, God in man,
this is God's timeless plan:
he will come, as a man,
born himself of woman,
God divinely human.

3. Mary, hail! Though afraid,
she believed, she obeyed.
In her womb, God is laid
till the time expected,
nurtured and protected.

4. Journey ends! Where afar
Bethlehem shines, like a star,
stable door stands ajar:
unborn Son of Mary, Saviour, do not tarry!

*Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!
Sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!
Jesus comes, Jesus comes,
we will make Him welcome! Fred Pratt Green*

2. Look Toward Christmas

1. Look toward Christmas! Advent is here:
welcome December changing the year,
whistle up, shepherds! saddle up, kings!
chorus up, angels, flexing your wings,

*Sing, sing alleluia! sing, sing alleluia!
sing, sing out the story,
sing about hope and peace!*

2. Set the world singing, make the world glad!
Now is the reason not to feel sad,
hear John the Baptist shout to prepare:
Good News is coming, earth, be aware.

3. Mary and Joseph soon is the day,
ready the donkey, start on your way:
you are the chosen, willing to trust,
joyful your burden carrying Christ. Shirley Murray

3. Angels From The Realms Of Glory

1. Angels from the realms of glory,
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Ye who sang creation's story
Now proclaim Messiah's birth.

*Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King.*

2. Shepherds, in the field abiding,
Watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with us is now residing;
Yonder shines the infant light:

3. Sages, leave your contemplations,
Brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great Desire of nations;
Ye have seen His natal star.

4. Saints, before the altar bending,
Watching long in hope and fear;
Suddenly the Lord, descending,
In His temple shall appear.

5. Though an Infant now we view Him,
He shall fill His Father's throne,
Gather all the nations to Him;
Every knee shall then bow down:

6. All creation, join in praising
God, the Father, Spirit, Son,
Evermore your voices raising
To th'eternal Three in One.

James Montgomery

4. Joy To The World!

1. Joy to the World, the Lord has come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And Heaven and nature sing, (x2)
And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing.

2. Joy to the World, the Saviour reigns!
Let us our songs employ;
While fields and floods,
rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, (x2)
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, (x2)
And wonders, wonders, of His love

Isaac Watts (based on Psalm 98)

15 December 2019

The 3rd Sunday of Advent

Advent Liturgy Book

Sentence

"Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?"

Matthew 11: 3

Collect

God of the unexpected,
your ways are not our ways.
Open our ears
to the prophets you send,
help us to hear the good news
from unforeseen messengers.
Empower us to join the healing work
of the one who draws near,
through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Readings

Isaiah 35: 1 – 10	page 578
James 5: 7 – 10	page 982
Matthew 11: 2 – 11	page 792

Prayer Response 9.30am

Holy God,
Hear our prayer.

Services of Worship

Sunday	7.30am Holy Communion
	9.30am Holy Communion
Wednesday	10.00am Holy Communion

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*You are
Welcome*

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Welcome to All Saints

A warm welcome to all newcomers this morning. If you would like any further information about the church and its activities, or would like to become a member here, please make yourself known to the greeters or member of staff.

Children's Crèche



At All Saints we love to have children present and participating in worship. We also realise that at times they can get bored or upset. Please note that there is a sound-proof crèche available, near the church door, which is well-supplied with toys and books, and is wired so the service can be heard.

Prayers for Self or Others



If you would like someone to pray with you confidentially over matters of concern or to give thanks, members of the Prayer Team will be available in the front pew after the 9.30am service. Prayer requests may also be left in the box on the back table. Names of the sick will be included in the public prayers for one month (extended on request) and prayer support will be continued by the staff and Prayer Team on a daily basis.



Morning Tea

is served each Sunday after the 9.30am service in the Oak Room. All welcome. **Next week: Katharine and Peter Watts.**

Food Bank



Our food bank is open weekdays 10 – 11am. It is a confidential service available to all regardless of household size. **Shortages this week: Dishwashing Liquid, Marmite or Vegemite and Long-life milk or Milk Powder.**

Homegroups

If you would like to join an All Saints Home Group these groups would welcome anyone interested in coming: **Tuesdays 2.30pm** contact Gill 534 9863. **Thursday 1.30pm** contact Wynniss 021 02502611.

Nathan's Ordination

We would like to give Nathan a gift to mark this occasion, so if you would like to make a donation towards this you are welcome to place money in the envelope on the back table marked "Nathan", or to make a donation at the office by cash. The collection will close today.

Book Stall

We have lots of new books, check out our selection of very reasonably priced books on the book shelves in the hallway.

Envelopes

Letters to everyone in the Giving Scheme and new envelopes for those who use them are available for collection at the back of the Church.

GALSS – Grief and Loss Support Services (Seasons)

We need volunteers to be trained as companions to lead small groups of children who are dealing with their grief through death, divorce or separation. Full training and support is given. Please contact Lesley by phone on 533 0222 or 022 0697384 or email griefandloss@allsaintshowick.org.nz

Christmas Lunch On Jesus

Planning for our annual gift of Christmas Lunch to needy families is well underway. if you would like to contribute towards the \$70 cost of each box, specially marked envelopes are available at the back of the Church and can be put in the offertory or handed into the office. Donations can also be made through the self-service EFTPOS machine in the office or by direct debit into the bank account details of which are on the front of this sheet. We also need people to sign up to help with packing and distributing the boxes. Sign-up sheets are at the back of the Church.

Families Gift Pack for Advent

A free resource for helping to connect and engage families of all shapes and sizes in faith formation at home during advent. Available at the back of the church or see Christina for more details.

Companion/Care Person

For an active 72 year old lady with early onset dementia living in her own home. See Joanne for more details.

Flatmate Wanted

Layla is looking for a female Christian. She has a modern, warm and cosy two bedroom property in the Hobsonville area and is asking \$250 per week. This covers all expenses except food. The property is close to a bus stop. See Joanne for more details.

Kidztime Pageant Hymns

Little Donkey

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 that star tonight
Bethlehem, Bethlehem

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

Hark the Herald

Angels Sing

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King!
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled."
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With th' angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem."
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King!"