



Trinity Church Mill Hill

(United Reformed and Methodist)

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Sunday 6 December 2020

Order of Service

Worship this morning is led by Dr. Richard Bingle

Pianist: Sharon Brandelli

The Congregation stands to receive the Bible.

Announcements

Call to Worship

Tell the whole world to sing a new song to the Lord!
Let them announce his praises everywhere

The second candle is lit

Jesus, light of the world, speak to us
Come Lord Jesus, come

Hymn, SF 174, Light a candle in a darkened place
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZMloFyk-SwY>

Light a candle in a darkened place,
in its flame see hope on every face,
Christ our Saviour will be born,
heralding a brand new dawn,
so let it burn.

In the darkness, see the coming light,
Word of God speaks through the darkest night,
keep a watch, the time is near,
time for hope and not for fear,
so let it burn.

Stepping through each page of history,
prophets contemplate this mystery,
celebrate the coming King,
words of joy and hope they bring,
so let it burn.

Clare Stainsby (b. 1959)

Prayers of Approach & Confession

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come, thy will be done
on earth as it is on heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those that 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.**

Readings:

*Isaiah 40, verses 1-11
Comfort for God's People*

*Mark 1, verses 1-8
John the Baptist Prepares the Way*

Sermon

Music for Reflection

Hymn, SF 171, Hark the glad sound! The Saviour comes
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2wwdKQfdR78>

Hark the glad sound! The Saviour comes,
the Saviour promised long;
let every heart prepare a throne,
and every voice a song.

He comes the prisoners to release,
in Satan's bondage held;
the gates of brass before him burst,
the iron fetters yield.

He comes the broken heart to bind,
the bleeding soul to cure,
and with the treasures of his grace
to enrich the humble poor.

Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace,
your welcome shall proclaim,
and heaven's eternal arches ring
with your beloved name.

Philip Doddridge (1702–1751)

Prayers of Intercession and Intercession

Hymn, SF169, Come, thou long-expected Jesus
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JEEd0uWnDGs>

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

Charles Wesley (1707–1788)

Benediction

Sung Amen, R&S 20(b).



NOTICES

Services in November/December

13th December: gift service / 20th December: carols – details for these yet to be confirmed

Request from Homeless Action in Barnet.

Thank you to those who donated the requested items to HAB. They have been taken to the HAB Centre and were much appreciated."

The current arrangement for housing homeless men and women is that they are placed in temporary accommodation and supplied individually with bags of food and other essentials. We understand that the following items are always needed: tea, coffee, sugar, Pot Noodles and toilet rolls.

If you would like to make a donation of any of these items, they can be left at the home of Pauline Seaton by prior arrangement – (tel 020 8958 6801) before Sunday 13 December. The items will then be taken to HAB in the week beginning 14 December

Christmas Day lunch.

It is not going to be possible to hold the traditional Mill Hill Churches' Christmas Day lunch at John Keble this year. Instead, possibilities of distributing individual lunches to those who would have attended are being explored. Numbers may need to be limited, but if you know of anyone who might like to receive a Christmas lunch at home, please pass on their name. Drivers will be needed to take round the lunches, late Christmas morning. Could you help?

Commitment for Life appeal

Our charity appeal for this season is Commitment for Life, the URC's programme to support overseas development and justice. To donate please either:

send a cheque made out to Trinity Church Mill Hill and mark the back of the cheque 'Commitment for Life' Send the cheque to: Trinity Church Mill Hill, 11 Eversfield Gardens, Mill Hill, London, NW7 2AE.

or

make an online payment to Trinity Church Trinity Church Mill Hill, [CAF BANK Ltd] Sort Code: **40-52-40** Account No: **00008484**. Please include in the information field '**Commit for life**'