

ALDENHAM CHURCH ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



Pew Sheet for Sunday 20 November 2022

Welcome to our Matins service on this Sunday next before Advent - Christ the King

Order of Service - we welcome Eileen Bigg to lead us in this service

Opening hymn: 'Christ is the King' (NEH 345)

Sentences/Confession/Absolution/Lord's Prayer

Versicles and responses

Venite

Psalm 29

1st Reading: Colossians 1, 11-20 read by Esther Pedler

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Hymn instead of Te Deum: 'God we praise you, God we bless you' to 'Rustington'

2nd Reading: Luke 23, 33-43 read by Valerie Turner

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

Jubilate Deo (Eyre)

Creed

Collect for the day/Collect: Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Intercessions led by Jill Gillam

Hymn: 'Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour' (NEH 296)

Sermon - Vicar

Please pray for:

Dennis Day, Kim Jenkins
Fiona McGuinness, Isla & Don Hart,
Pat Meloy, Jack, Natalia,
Rostislav Myslov, Maureen Warner
Geraldine Wright, Lucy Gammon,
Michael Carter, David Rose, John
Mayne and Maira & Alec Mathieson

Pastoral Care

If you need care or assistance at any time, please do not hesitate to contact the Vicar, Sue Barnard or Annie Wiggs

Final hymn: 'All hail the power of Jesu's name' (NEH 332 omit * vs 2 & 3)

Blessing

EVENSONG at 6.30pm - we welcome Revd. Oliver Blease to lead this service for us

Opening hymn: 'The head that once was crowned with thorns' (NEH 134)

Confession/Absolution

Lord's Prayer and versicles/responses

Psalm: 72, 1-7

Reading: 1 Samuel 8, 4-20 read by Sue Barnard

Magnificat (Set A)

Reading: John 18, 33-37 read by Pat Bromley

Nunc Dimittis (Set A)

Creed

Versicles/responses

Collect for the Day and 2nd /3rd Collect

Choir Anthem

Address: Revd. Oliver Blease

Hymn: 'They kingdom come, O God' (NEH 499)

Prayers

Hymn: 'Crown him with many crowns' (NEH 352)

Blessing

NOTICES

It's Shoebox Season - please leaflets available at the church and see How to Pack a shoebox (samaritans-purse.org.uk). Please leave shoeboxes at back of church by Monday 21 November.

Advent Service next Sunday 27 November will be a Family Service. The November and December 2nd Sundays which would normally be Family Services have been taken by the Remembrance and HMS Aldenham services. It would be wonderful to have some children and young people come to this service in anticipation of Christmas. Advent starts the count down to Christmas in the Christian year. A special Sunday!

Dates for your diaries

- 14-21 November - ABRSM Music Exams.
- 21 November - last day please for shoeboxes.
- 27 November - Advent Family Service at 10.30am.
- 3 December - Coffee Morning at the church 10.30 - 12 noon.
- 3 December - Saturday evening concert in the Church at 6.30pm.
- 11 December - HMS Aldenham Service at 10.30am.
- 11 December - Sunday Christmas lunch at Aldenham Golf Club. Buffet style @ £33 per person. Please see Jill Gillam to book.
- 11 December - 9 Lessons and Carols service at 6.30pm.
- Christmas Eve - Christingle Service at 4pm then Midnight Mass at 9pm.
- Christmas Day Family Communion Service at 10.30am.

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St. John the Baptist, Aldenham Parish Church

Variety Concert
A Christmas Extravaganza of Music
In aid of Rotary Charities and Aldenham Church
Saturday 3rd December at Aldenham Church
Church Lane, Aldenham, WD25 8BE
6.30pm drinks for 7.00pm start
Tickets £20 per person to include pre-concert and interval drinks and nibbles
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