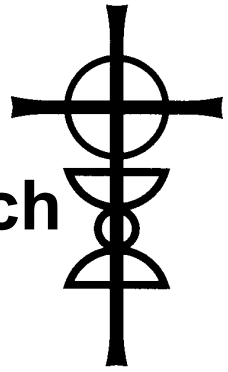


**St. Barbara's Church  
Earlsdon**



**Carol Service**

**20<sup>th</sup> December 2020**



**As the congregation arrive the choir  
will sing O come o come Emmanuel (Pre recorded)**

***Welcome***

***Hymn:*** Once in Royal

1. Once in royal David's city,  
Stood a lowly cattle shed,  
Where a mother laid her baby,  
In a manger for his bed:  
Mary was that mother mild,  
Jesus Christ her little child.
  
2. He came down to earth from heaven  
Who is God and Lord of all,  
And his shelter was a stable,  
And his cradle was a stall;  
With the poor and mean and lowly  
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.  
  
And through all his wondrous childhood  
He would honour and obey,  
Love and watch the lowly maiden,  
In whose gentle arms he lay:  
Christian children all must be  
Mild, obedient, good as he.
  
3. For he is our childhood's pattern,  
Day by day like us he grew,  
He was little, weak and helpless,  
Tears and smiles like us he knew:  
And he feeleth for our sadness,  
And he shareth in our gladness.

4. And our eyes at last shall see him,  
Through his own redeeming love,  
For that child so dear and gentle  
Is our Lord in heaven above;  
And he leads his children on  
To the place where he is gone.
  
5. Not in that poor lowly stable,  
With the oxen standing by,  
We shall see him but in heaven,  
Set at God's right hand on high;  
Where like stars his children crowned  
All in white shall wait around.

***Bidding Prayer***

***Reading:*** Zechariah 2:10 -13     ***Read by:*** Toby Maries

This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God**

***Choir:*** *Jesus Springing*

*Bob Chilcott*

***Video:*** *Based on Luke 1 26 – 56*

**Hymn:** O Little Town of Bethlehem

1. O little Town of Bethlehem,  
How still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by.  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth,  
The everlasting light;  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee tonight.
  
2. O morning stars together,  
Proclaim the holy birth,  
And praises sing to God the King,  
And peace to men on earth;  
For Christ is born of Mary;  
And gathered all above,  
While mortals sleep the angels keep  
Their watch of wond'ring love.
  
3. How silently, how silently,  
The wondrous gift is giv'n!  
So God imparts to human hearts  
The blessings of his heav'n.  
No ear may hear his coming;  
But in this world of sin,  
Where meek souls will receive him, still  
The dear Christ enters in.
  
4. O holy child of Bethlehem,  
Descend to us, we pray:  
Cast out our sin and enter in,  
Be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels  
The great glad tidings tell:  
O come to us, abide with us,  
Our Lord Emmanuel.

**Video:** Based on Luke 2:1 - 21

**Choir:** Torches

John Joubert

**Reading:** Philippians 2: 5-11    **Read by:** Andrew Boardman

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**Talk:** Tulo Raistrick

**Choir:** Kwmbayah

Arr Dinham

**Prayers**

*led by Chris Moorley*

**Hymn:** Hark! the Herald Angels Sing.

1. 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.

2. Christ, by highest heav'n adored,  
Christ, the everlasting Lord,  
Late in time behold him come  
Offspring of the virgin's womb:  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,  
Hail th'incarnate Deity!  
Pleased as man with man to dwell,  
Jesus, our Emmanuel.  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
Glory to the new born King.
  
3. Hail the heav'n born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings,  
Risen with healing in his wings;  
Mild he lays his glory by,  
Born that man no more may die,  
Born to raise the sons of earth,  
Born to give them second birth,  
Hark! the herald angels sing  
Glory to the new born King.

***Blessing: Choral Amen***

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