

The World made Flesh— John 1. 1 –14

Choir - Go tell it on the Mountain.

Blessing

**Joy to the World**

**Joy to the world! The Lord has come!**  
**Let earth receive her King**  
**Let every heart prepare Him room,**  
**And heaven and nature sing,**  
**and heaven and nature sing**  
**and heaven and heaven and nature sing.**

**Joy to the world! The Saviour reigns!**  
**Let men their songs employ**  
**While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains,**  
**repeat the sounding joy,**  
**repeat the sounding joy,**  
**Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**

**He rules the world with truth and grace,**  
**And makes the nations prove**  
**the glories of His righteousness,**  
**And wonders of His love,**  
**and wonders of His love,**  
**and wonders, and wonders of His love.**

*You are invited to:*  
A Christmas Eve Interactive Adventure  
Simple A-Z  
St Chads Anglican Church  
12 Omata Road West New Plymouth  
Saturday 24 December any time between 2-4 pm

**SING CHRISTMAS! 2016**  
Tomorrow night (19th December) 6 pm at Holy Trinity. Carols from around the world with the Taranaki sounds Good! Singers and Steel Band

**Church and Hall Cleaners** - URGENT  
Have you ever thought that you could do a little cleaning for the church? Now is your opportunity, as we are very short of cleaners. Those over eighty wish to retire! Let Jillian Suthon (758 0776) have your names for the roster.

**Overall Fund Raising Convenor**  
We would also like someone to look after the overall fundraising for our church next year - not to do all the work, as some fundraising is already being taken care of by volunteers, but to oversee. There again, please speak to one of the Wardens, Don Young (757 8700 or Norma Benton (758 6783.)

**Men’s Emergency Shelter**  
This Christmas, Larry and Faye Olliver would be very grateful if we could spare any Christmas food for the men they will be caring for. Cash donations would also be very much appreciated. These could be left at the church either next Wednesday (21st) between 9.30 –11am or at the Sunday morning service on 25th. For further information please contact Erena on 7580770.

**Firewood for Sale**  
Firewood for sale \$100 for a ute load. Free delivery! Contact Jim or Don

**NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY 25TH DECEMBER**

**PRESIDER AND PREACHER: OLIVER ROBERTS**

**READINGS: ISAIAH 9: 2-7 TITUS 2: 11-14 LUKE 2: 1-14**

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# Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Fitzroy

## Carol Service

18th December

### Welcome

*We remain standing for*  
**The Lighting of the Advent Candles**

This fourth Sunday of Advent, we light a candle for love and remember God is the light on our path.  
**Strengthen our hearts, for the coming of Jesus Christ is near.**

God is a God of justice who brings food to the hungry and inclusion to the rejected. God lifts up the lowly and lowers the mighty.  
**Strengthen our hearts, for the coming of Jesus Christ is near.**

We join our hearts with that of the desert gushing with life. We join our love with that of Mary who sings with excitement for the child to come.  
**Strengthen our hearts, for the coming of Jesus Christ is near.**

Offertory Carol—**O Come all ye Faithful**

**O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!**  
**O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!**  
**Come and behold him,**  
**born the King of angels.**  
**O come, let us adore Him,**  
**O come, let us adore Him,**  
**O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.**

**God of God, light from light**  
**Lo, he abhors not the virgin’s womb!**  
**Very God, Begotten, not created.**  
**O come, let us adore Him,**  
**O come, let us adore Him,**  
**O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.**

**Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation!**  
**sing, all ye citizens of heaven above,**  
**‘Glory to God in the highest!’**  
**O come, let us adore Him,**  
**O come, let us adore Him,**  
**O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.**

**Yea, Lord, we greet thee,**  
**Born this happy morning**  
**Jesus, to thee be glory, given.**  
**Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:**  
**O come, let us adore Him,**  
**O come, let us adore Him,**  
**O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.**

The Saviour is Promised - Luke 1. 68 - 79

Choir – Who is the Child that is to be Born

Mary hears the News - Luke 1. 26 - 37

Choir – I had a Dream

The Angel Gabriel

**The angel Gabriel from heaven came,**  
**His wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame,**  
**“All hail,” said he, “thou lowly maiden Mary,**  
**Most highly favoured lady,” Gloria!**

**“For known a blessed mother thou shalt be,**  
**All generation laud and honour thee,**  
**Thy Son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold.**  
**Most highly favoured lady,” Gloria!**

**Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head,**  
**“To me be as it pleaseth God,” she said,**  
**“My soul shall laud and magnify**  
**His Holy Name.”**  
**Most highly favoured lady, Gloria!**

**Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ, was born**  
**In Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,**  
**And Christian folk throughout**  
**The world will ever say-**  
**Most highly favoured lady, Gloria!**

Choir – I had a Dream

The Birth of Jesus - Luke 2. 1 - 7

**When a Child is Born**

**A ray of hope flickers in the sky,  
A tiny star lights up way up high,  
All across the land dawns a brand new morn -  
This comes to pass when a child is born.**

**A silent wish sails the seven seas,  
The winds of change whisper in the trees  
And the walls of doubt crumble  
tossed and torn -  
This comes to pass, when a child is born.**

**A rosy dawn settles all around,  
You got the feel you're on solid ground,  
For a spell or two no one seems forlorn -  
This comes to pass when a child is born.**

**It's all a dream, an illusion now.  
It must come true sometime soon somehow.  
All across the land dawns a brand new morn -  
This comes to pass when a child is born.**

The Angels announce the Birth- Luke 2. 8 - 14

Choir – Sing with the Angels, Gloria

**O Little Town of Bethlehem**

**O Little town of Bethlehem,  
How still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by:  
Yet in the dark streets shineth  
The everlasting light;  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee tonight.**

**O morning stars, together  
Proclaim the holy birth,  
And praises sing to God the King,  
And peace to all on earth.  
For Christ is born of Mary;  
And, gathered all above,  
While mortals sleep, the angels keep  
Their watch of wondering love.**

**How silently, how silently,  
The wondrous gift is given!  
So God imparts to human hearts  
The blessings of His heaven.  
No ear may hear his coming;  
But in this world of sin,  
Where meek souls will receive him,  
Still the dear Christ enters in.**

**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.**

The Shepherds go to Bethlehem -  
Luke 2. 15 - 20

**While Shepherds Watched**

**While shepherds watched their flocks by night,  
all seated on the ground,  
the angel of the Lord came down and  
glory shone around.**

**'Fear not' said he, for mighty dread  
had seized their troubled mind;  
'Glad tidings of great joy I bring  
to you and all mankind.**

**'To you in David's town this day  
is born of David's line  
a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord,  
and this shall be the sign.**

**'The heavenly babe you there shall find  
to human view displayed,  
all meanly wrapped in swathing bands,  
and in a manger laid.'**

**Thus spake the seraph, and forthwith  
appeared a shining throng  
of angels, praising God, who thus  
addressed their joyful song:**

**'All glory be to God on high  
And on the earth be peace;  
Goodwill henceforth from heaven to men  
Begin and never cease!'**

Choir – Minuet Noel

The Wise Men follow the Star -  
Matthew 2. 1 - 12

**We Three Kings of Orient are**

**We three kings of Orient are;  
Bearing gifts we traverse afar,  
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,  
Following yonder star.**

***O star of wonder, star of light,  
Star with royal beauty bright,  
Westward leading, still proceeding,  
Guide us to thy perfect light.***

**Born a King on Bethlehem's plain  
Gold I bring to crown Him again,  
King forever, ceasing never,  
Over us all to reign.**

***Refrain***

**Frankincense to offer have I;  
Incense owns a Deity nigh;  
Prayer and praising, voices raising,  
Worshipping God on high.**

***Refrain***

**Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume  
Breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,  
Sealed in the stone cold tomb.**

***Refrain***

**Glorious now behold Him arise;  
King and God and sacrifice;  
Alleluia, Alleluia,  
Sounds through the earth and skies.**

***Refrain***

Choir – As with Gladness Men of Old

Simeon and Anna recognise the Messiah-

Luke 2. 25 - 38

Choir - The Light has Come.

**The Stars Danced**

**The stars danced, the angels sang  
the night God came to earth  
the whole vault of heaven rang  
to celebrate his birth.**

**We will dance, we will sing  
we will praise our heavenly King at His birth**

**Mary, His mother smiled  
to see her babe new born  
shepherds came hurrying  
Left their flock forlorn.**

**We will dance, we will sing  
we will praise our heavenly King at His birth**

**Wise men who saw His star  
knew their Lord was here,  
came with their offerings  
incense, gold and myrrh.**

**We will dance, we will sing  
we will praise our heavenly King at His birth**

**We too will give to Him  
gifts of love and praise  
Dance for Him, sing for Him  
rejoice in Him always.**

**We will dance, we will sing  
we will praise our heavenly King  
at His birth**

