St Columba, Collingtree



Morning Prayer & Praise Advent December 2022

A warm welcome to our service. We do hope you enjoy worshipping with us.

We say together the words printed in bold.

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More information about St Columba is on our website: <u>www.stcolumbacollingtree.org.uk</u>

Welcome

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. (Luke 3 v 4b) And all flesh shall see the salvation of the God. (Luke 3 v 6)

Opening Responses

Give unto the LORD the glory due to His name; **Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**

The voice of the LORD is powerful;

The voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

From Psalm 29

Hymn: On Jordan's Bank

Psalm 100

- ¹ Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.
- ² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving and be glad in him with psalms.
- ³ For the Lord is the great God, and a great King above all gods.
- ⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the heights of the mountains are his also.
- ⁵ The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands have moulded the dry land.
- ⁶ Come, let us worship and bow down and kneel before the Lord our Maker;
- ⁷ For he is our God; we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Opening Prayer

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever. **Amen**

Prayers of Penitence

When the Lord comes he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Therefore in the light of Christ let us confess our sins. *Confession*

Lord God, we have sinned against you; We have done evil in your sight.

We are sorry and repent.

Have mercy on us according to your love.

Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore to us the joy of your salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

May Almighty God who sent his Son into the world to save sinners, grant you his pardon and his peace, now and for ever.

Amen

Hymn: Faithful One

Collect

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Bible Reading: Isaiah 11 v 1 - 9

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

Hymn: Oh come, Oh come Emmanuel

Bible Reading: Matthew 3 v 1 - 11 This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Hymn: I will offer up my life

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

Our Father in heaven,

Hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,

Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Closing Prayer of Intercession

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers

For the sake of your son

our saviour Jesus Christ Amen

Hymn: Crown Him with many crowns

Blessing

Christ the son of righteousness shine upon you. Scatter the darkness from before your path and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory And the blessing of God Almighty, Father the Son and Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always **Amen**