

# Christingle Service

# All Saints Oakham

Sunday 10 December 2017 4:00pm

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Christ has brought us out of darkness: to live in his marvellous light.

Brothers and sisters in Christ, welcome to Oakham Church today.

We have come together in the presence of God our Father to rejoice in the gift of Jesus to us as the light of the world, to hear and receive the story and message of the coming of Christ, and to offer to God our thanksgiving in prayer and song.

### Carol

 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 the angelic host proclaim, 'Christ is born in Bethlehem.' Hark! the herald-angels sing glory to the new-born King.  Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord, late in time behold him come, offspring of a virgin's womb.
 Veiled in flesh the Godhead see: Hail, the 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 heaven-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.

> Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) and others Music: Mendelssohn, Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847) (Ancient & Modern – 66)

### Reading – John 1.1-5

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

### Talk

### **Christingle Song**

I. The Christingle begins with an orange, telling us of the world God made.

For creation is full of his glory; all around we see his love displayed.

Sing Christingle! Sing Christingle! Sing Christingle, it's the light of Christ. Sing Christingle! Sing Christingle! Sing Christingle, light of Christ.

- 2. Every year we give thanks for the seasons, and the fruits of the earth to share.
- The Christingle is here to remind us that the love of God is everywhere.
- God of love, we give thanks now for Jesus; we remember his birth again.

But the red ribbon round the Christingle tells the story of his cross and pain.

4. To complete the Christingle: a candle, shining out in the darkest night.Jesus promised to lead us and guide us; come and celebrate the world's true light!

Words: Mark Earey Music: Sing Hosanna, anonymous, arr Gerald Hocken Knight (1908-1979) – A&M 638 © Mark Earey 1998, 2003

### Presentation of Gifts & Distribution of the Christingles

The Christingles are distributed at the High Altar. Please use the envelope provided to make your donation to the work of the Children's Society. The Christingles will be lit when all have been distributed.

### Please follow the safety instruction.

### Carol

 (Children) Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head; the stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,

the little Lord Jesus asleep in the hay.

- 2. (All) The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, but little Lord Jesus no crying he makes.
- I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky, and stay by my side until morning is nigh.

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3. Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay close by me for ever, and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear children in thy tender care,

and fit us for heaven, to live with thee there

Words: Author unknown, Little children's book, Philadelphia 1885 Music: Cradle Song, William James Kirkpatrick (1838-1921), harm Eric Harding Thiman (1900-1975) (A&M – 60)

### Prayers

Christ the Saviour is born! Glory to Christ, Son of Mary; born a child, you share our humanity: **Glory to God in the highest.** 

Glory to Christ, Son of David; born to rule, you receive gifts from the wise: **Glory to God in the highest.** 

Glory to Christ, Son of Man; born our Saviour, you are the light of the world: **Glory to God in the highest.** 

We celebrate the coming of our God with all the voices of heaven: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

### Prayer for the Children's Society

Loving Lord, we thank you for the Children's Society as it reaches out to young people experiencing pain and injustice. Guide and strengthen its work alongside children and young people who are homeless and on the streets, in prison or facing problems in the community. Grant us the wisdom to listen to the voices of the young and to recognize their gifts and insights. Help us to work with them to create a fair and just society where all may know the fullness of your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

### 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 in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who 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.

### Carol

 Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, all is bright round the virgin and her child: holy infant so tender and mild, sleep in heavenly peace; sleep in heavenly peace! 2. Silent night! Holy night! Shepherds quail at the sight, glory streams from heaven afar, heavenly hosts sing 'Alleluia, Christ the Saviour is born, Christ the Saviour is born!'

 Silent night! Holy night! Son of God, love's pure light: radiant beams your holy face with the dawn of saving grace, Jesus, Lord, at your birth, Jesus, Lord, at your birth.

Words: Joseph Mohr (1792-1848) Music: Stille Nacht, Franz Xaver Gruber (1787-1863) (Ancient & Modern – 84)

### Blessing

May the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the perseverance of the wise men, the obedience of Joseph and Mary, and the peace of the Christ-child be yours this Christmas; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

# **Christmas Services at All Saints Oakham**

### SUNDAY 19 DECEMBER

10:30am - SUNDAY SCHOOL NATIVITY

### THURSDAY 21 DECEMBER

7:30pm - OAKHAM TOWN FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS & CAROLS

With the Team Choir Laudamus.

### CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00pm – CRIB SERVICE 11:30pm – MIDNIGHT COMMUNION

### **CHRISTMAS DAY**

8:00am - HOLY COMMUNION

10:00am – PARISH COMMUNION

For other services, events and notices please see the Weekly Pewsheet or visit the website at www.oakhamteam.org.uk.





All Saints' Church Oakham

# Town Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols

a Carol Service for the whole of Oakham

with Laudamus, Oakham Team Choir

followed by wine & mince pies

Thursday 21st December - 7:30pm

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