

We give a very warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us today, either in the sanctuary or on-line. If you are sitting next to a microphone, it is in use.

This Service will be live-streamed and you may be seen on camera, although we will not deliberately take any close-ups of the congregation. By attending you agree to be seen in this way. If you have any concerns, please speak with our Church Secretary.

If you are visiting for the first time, please do fill out a visitor's card, which can be found in the vestibule. We would be very pleased to stay in touch with you.

Play-bags are available for our youngest friends in the vestibule. These may be used, under parental supervision, until our younger friends leave for Junior Church.

We extend a very warm invitation to you all to join us after the Service for coffee and friendship in our Fellowship Room downstairs. Please leave the sanctuary by the door on the right at the front and turn downstairs. There is a lift, if you require one. When using the lift, please keep your finger on the button until you have arrived at your destination.

If you would like to make a donation to support our Church's life and witness, donations may be made by cash in the offertory bags hanging on the end of the pews at the back of church or, at the end of the Service, on the large offertory plate by the door leading to coffee. Donations may also be made through the card reader on the shelf by the right hand door at the back of Church.

More information on our Church's life and witness may be found at
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St. Andrew's with Castle Gate United Reformed Church

Nativity and Toy Service

presented by

Members of Junior Church and Youth Group.

15th December 2024



*“Oh hush the noise, and end the strife,
to hear the angels sing!”*

Order of Service

Welcome and Notices

Call to worship

Lighting Advent Candles and Christmas Tree

CAROL: Mary's Boy Child.

PRAYERS of approach

Sketch - young people are attempting to rehearse

CAROL - R&S 144 It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

The offertory will be taken up following this carol.

Offertory prayer.

Sketch to explore “Noise”.

Intersessional prayers

CAROL - The Little Drummer Boy - *see additional sheet*

The nativity story.

SONG The Twelve days of Christmas - *to alternative words.*

Closing address and reflections

Closing prayers

CAROL - R&S 166 Come and Join the Celebration

Benediction & Sending

Mary’s Boy Child

Long time ago in Bethlehem
So the Holy Bible say
Mary's boy child, Jesus Christ
Was born on Christmas day

Chorus:

*Hark, now hear the angels sing
A new king born today
And man will live forevermore
Because of Christmas day
Trumpets sound and angels sing
Listen to what they say
That Man will live forevermore
Because of Christmas day*

While shepherds watched their flocks by night
Them see a bright new shining star
Them hear a choir sing
The music seemed to come from afar

Now, Joseph and his wife, Mary
Come to Bethlehem that night
Them find no place to born she child
Not a single room was in sight

Hark, now hear....

By and by, they find a little nook
In a stable all forlorn
And in a manger cold and dark
Mary's little Boy was born

Long time ago in Bethlehem
So the Holy Bible say
Mary's boy child, Jesus Christ
Was born on Christmas day

Hark, now hear....

"Mary's boy child" by Jester Hairston

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Come they told me...

Come, they told me - pa rum pa pum pum

A newborn king to see - pa rum pa pum pum

Our finest gifts we bring - pa rum pa pum pum

To lay before the king - pa rum pa pum pum - rum pa pum pum - rum pa pum pum

So to honour him - pa rum pa pum pum –

When we come.

Baby Jesus - pa rum pa pum pum

I am a poor boy too - pa rum pa pum pum

I have no gift to bring - pa rum pa pum pum

That's fit to give our king - pa rum pa pum pum - rum pa pum pum - rum pa pum pum

Shall I play for you - pa rum pa pum pum –

On my drum.

Mary nodded - pa rum pa pum pum

The ox and lamb kept time - pa rum pa pum pum

I played my drum for him - pa rum pa pum pum

I played my best for him - pa rum pa pum pum - rum pa pum pum - rum pa pum pum

Then he smiled at me - pa rum pa pum pum –

Me and my drum.

“Little Drummer Boy” words by Katherine Kennicott Davis

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