

# **EMMANUEL**

**THE PARISH CHURCH OF WYLDE GREEN  
SUTTON COLDFIELD**



**THE EUCHARIST FOR  
ADVENT**

*The Congregation is invited to join with the spoken text in bold print in this order of service*

*Please stand as the choir and ministers enter. During the service please stand for hymns and prayers as you are able, and sit where indicated.*

## ***Hymn***

### ***The Greeting***

In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you.**

## ***Lighting of the Advent Wreath***

### ***Advent 1 - the Advent Hope***

Jesus said, 'Keep awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming'

**Amen. Come soon, Lord Jesus!**

### ***The first candle is lit***

Jesus is the light of the world  
**A light no darkness can ever put out.**

### ***We sing:***

Advent candle tell their story  
as we watch and pray,  
longing for the Day of Glory,  
'Come, Lord, soon,' we say.  
Pain and sorrow, tears and sadness,  
changed for gladness on that Day.

## ***Advent 2 – the Prophets***

Jesus said, ‘Do not think that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets: I have not come to abolish them but to fulfil them.’

**Amen. Come soon, Lord Jesus!**

*The second candle is lit*

Jesus is the light of the world

**A light no darkness can ever put out.**

*We sing:*

Advent candle tell their story  
as we watch and pray,  
longing for the Day of Glory,  
‘Come, Lord, soon,’ we say.  
Pain and sorrow, tears and sadness,  
changed for gladness on that Day.

Prophet voices loudly crying,  
making pathways clear,  
glimpsing glory, self-denying,  
calling all to hear.  
Through their message- challenged, shaken,  
Hearts awaken: God is near!

## ***Advent 3 – John the Baptist***

Jesus said, ‘No one more important than John the Baptist has ever been born; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.’

*The third candle is lit*

Jesus is the light of the world

**A light no darkness can ever put out.**

*We sing:*

Advent candle tell their story  
as we watch and pray,  
longing for the Day of Glory,  
'Come, Lord, soon,' we say.  
Pain and sorrow, tears and sadness,  
changed for gladness on that Day.

John the Baptist, by his preaching  
and by water poured,  
brought to those who heard his teaching  
news of hope restored:  
'Keep your vision strong and steady,  
And be ready for the Lord.'

### ***Advent 4 – Mary***

Jesus said, 'Anyone who does what my Father in heaven wants  
is my brother or sister or mother.'

**I am the servant of the Lord.**

**Let it be according to his word.**

*The fourth candle is lit*

Jesus is the light of the world  
**A light no darkness can ever put out.**

*We sing:*

Advent candle tell their story  
as we watch and pray,  
longing for the Day of Glory,  
'Come, Lord, soon,' we say.  
Pain and sorrow, tears and sadness,  
changed for gladness on that Day.

Mary's gift, beyond all telling,  
was to give Christ room.  
She gave God a human dwelling  
in a mother's womb.  
Who could guess the final story?  
-cross and glory, empty tomb!

### ***Prayer of Preparation***

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

### ***Prayers of Penitence***

*The Priest introduces the confession.*

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.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
through our own fault  
in thought and word and deed,  
and in what we have left undone.  
We are heartily sorry and repent of all our sins.  
For your son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name.  
Amen.**

## ***Kyrie Eleison***

Lord, have mercy.	<i>Kyrie eleison</i>
Christ, have mercy.	<i>Christe eleison</i>
Lord, have mercy.	<i>Kyrie eleison</i>

## ***Absolution***

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## ***The Collect*** *(see notice sheet)*

## ***The Liturgy of the Word*** *(see notice sheet)*

*Please sit.*

## ***Old Testament Reading***

Reader	This is the word of the Lord
	<b>Thanks be to God</b>

## ***Psalm***

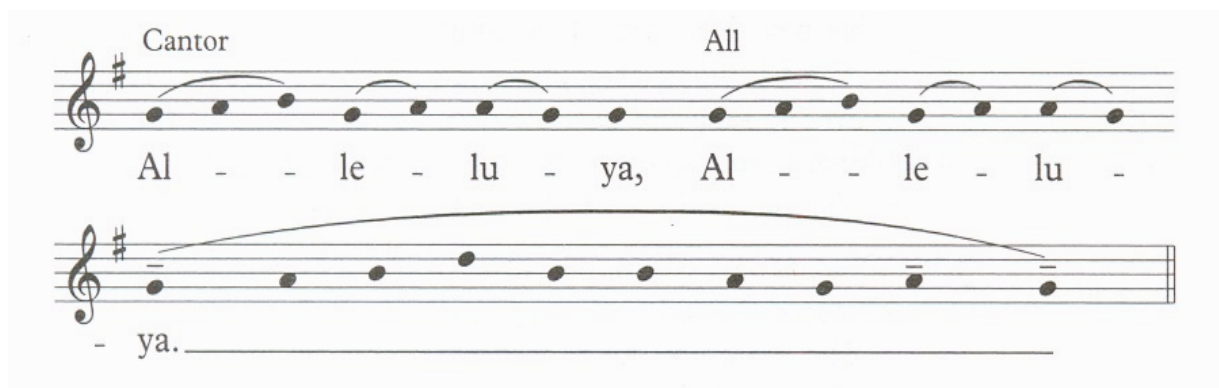
*When a responsorial Psalm is sung the congregational response may be found  
with the readings for the day on the notice sheet.*

## ***New Testament Reading***

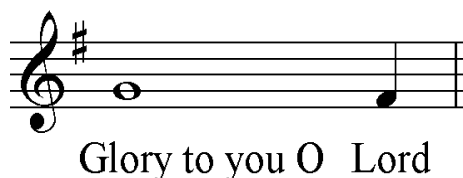
Reader	This is the word of the Lord
	<b>Thanks be to God</b>

## ***Gospel Reading***

*Please stand. The Choir, or Cantor, sings a verse and the acclamation is repeated.*

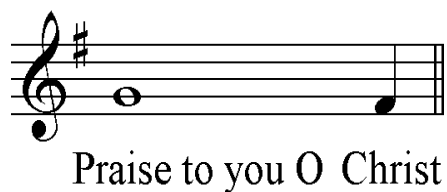


Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to...



*At the end the reader says:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord



*The organist plays to give honour and celebrate the Gospel reading.*

## ***The Sermon***

*Please sit.*

## ***The Creed***

*Please stand.*

**I believe in one God  
The Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
Begotten of His Father before all worlds.  
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,  
Begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made:  
who for us men, and for our  
salvation came down from Heaven,  
And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man,  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered and was buried,  
and the third day He rose again according to the  
Scriptures, and ascended into Heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father,  
and He shall come again with glory to judge both the  
quick and the dead:  
whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,  
the Giver of Life,  
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped  
and glorified, who spake by the prophets.  
And I believe one holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.  
And I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**



## ***Prayers of Intercession***

*Please stand as you are able as we offer prayers for the Church and for the needs of the world.*

*These responses may be used.*

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer**

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord

**And let light perpetual shine upon them**

## ***The Peace***

*Please stand.*

In the tender mercy of our God,  
the dayspring from on high shall break upon us,  
to give light to those who dwell in darkness  
and in the shadow of death,  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

## ***Liturgy of the Sacrament***

*During the next hymn we take a collection and offer it for God's work, along with bread and wine.*

## ***Offertory Hymn***

*We offer our gifts to God in this prayer:*

As the grain once scattered in the fields  
and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside  
are now reunited on this table in bread and wine,  
so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together  
from the corners of the earth into your kingdom.

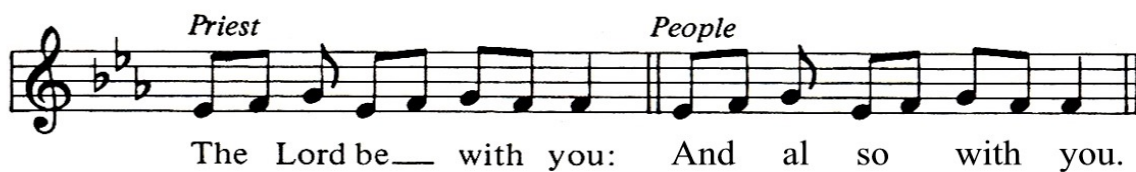
**Amen.**

*Please remain standing for:*

## ***The Eucharistic Prayer***

*The Sursum Corda is either sung or said:*

*Priest* *People*



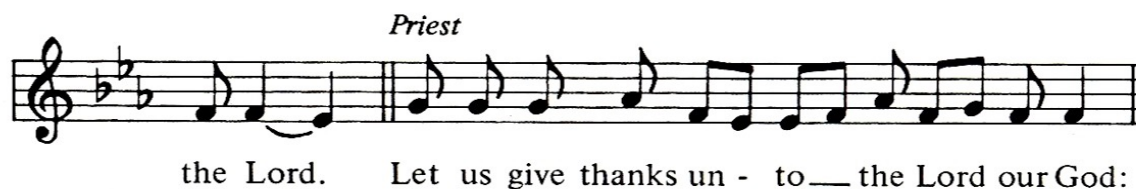
The Lord be\_\_\_ with you: And al so with you.

*Priest* *People*



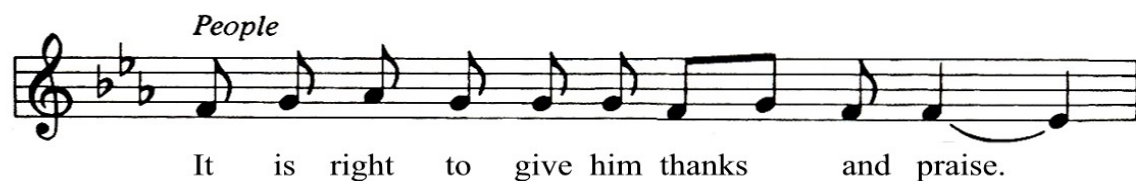
Lift\_\_\_ up your hearts: We lift them up un- to\_\_\_

*Priest*



the Lord. Let us give thanks un - to\_\_\_ the Lord our God:

*People*



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*From the First Sunday of Advent until 16th December:*

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise,  
almighty God and everlasting Father,  
through Jesus Christ your Son.  
For when he humbled himself  
to come among us in human flesh,  
he fulfilled the plan you formed before the foundation of the  
world to open for us the way of salvation.

Confident that your promise will be fulfilled,  
we now watch for the day  
when Christ our Lord will come again in glory.  
And so we join our voices with angels and archangels  
and with all the company of heaven  
to proclaim your glory  
for ever praising you and saying:

*From 17th December until Christmas Eve:*

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise,  
almighty God and everlasting Father,  
through Jesus Christ your Son.  
He is the one foretold by all the prophets,  
whom the Virgin Mother bore with love beyond all telling.  
John the Baptist was his herald  
and made him known when at last he came.

In his love Christ fills us with joy  
as we prepare to celebrate his birth,  
so that when he comes again he may find us  
watching in prayer,  
our hearts filled with wonder and praise.  
And so, with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your glory,  
and join in their unending hymn of praise:

## *Sanctus and Benedictus in this or another version*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Hosts,  
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.**

*Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth  
pleni sunt caeli et terra.*

**Glory be to be thee, O Lord most high.**

*Gloria tua. Hosanna in  
Excelsis*

**Blessed is he that cometh in the name of Lord.**

*Benedictus qui venit in  
Nomine Domini.*

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Hosanna in excelsis.*

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us his body and his blood;  
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father,  
we remember his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross;  
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup  
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts  
in the presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit,  
inspire us with your love  
and unite us in the body of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

## *The Lord's Prayer*

Let us pray with confidence as our saviour has taught us:  
**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.**

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.  
**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

## *Agnus Dei*

**O Lamb of God, that takest  
away the sins of the world,  
Have mercy upon us. [twice]  
O Lamb of God, that takest  
away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.**

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis  
peccata mundi,  
Miserere nobis:  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis  
peccata mundi,  
dona nobis pacem.*

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord  
Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood  
which he shed for you.  
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on  
him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*The following prayer may be said:*

**We do not presume to come to this your table,  
merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness  
but in your manifold and great mercies.**

**We are not worthy so much as to gather up  
the crumbs under your table.**

**But you are the same Lord whose nature  
is always to have mercy.**

**Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,  
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ  
and to drink his blood,  
that our sinful bodies may be made clean  
by his body and our souls washed through  
his most precious blood,  
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.  
Amen.**

*Please sit, and come forward to receive Communion when called by the  
Wardens. All are welcome to receive Holy Communion, if you do not wish to  
receive, come and receive a blessing carrying this Service Sheet with you.*

*A **Motet** may be sung by the Choir*

***Communion Hymn***

***Post Communion Prayer is said by the president.***

*Please stand as we pray together:*

**Almighty God,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son  
Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out  
in the power of your spirit  
to live and work  
to your praise and glory. Amen.**

***Notices Please sit.***

## ***Hymn***

*Remain standing for the:*

### ***Blessing and Dismissal***

Christ the Sun 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,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## ***Organ Voluntary***

*Please join us for tea and coffee in the church hall*