

LESSONS AND CAROLS FOR CHRISTMAS



MUSWELL HILL METHODIST CHURCH

6.30 pm, Sunday, December 20th, 1992

Organist: Catherine Simms
Director of Music: Sarah Rodgers

SIDE A .

ORDER OF SERVICE

OPENING SENTENCES

Minister The people who walked in darkness
All Have seen a great light
Minister For to us a child is born
All To us a Son is given
Minister His name shall be called wonderful,
counsellor, mighty God,
All The everlasting Father, the Prince
of Peace
Minister Glory to God in the highest
All And peace to his people on earth

CHOIR A great and mighty wonder

LIGHTING OF CANDLES

HYMN 241 Lo, he comes with clouds descending

OPENING PRAYERS

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 9.2-7
The prophecy of the light of Christ

CHOIR 83 Long ago, prophets knew

SECOND LESSON Isaiah 40.1-5
Prepare the way of the Lord

HYMN 92 Angels from the realms

THIRD LESSON LUke 1.26-38
The Annunciation

CHOIR Love came down at Christmas

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2ND TUNE

FOURTH LESSON Luke 2.1-7
The birth of Jesus

HYMN 117 See amid the winter's snow

CHOIR Infant holy

FIFTH LESSON Luke 2.8-20

CHOIR Break forth O beauteous, heavenly
light

HYMN 119 The first Nowell

SIDE B

SIXTH LESSON Matthew 2.1-12

HYMN 103 God rest ye merry gentlemen

RADIO

READING Cotswolds Carol Singing
From, Cider with Rosie, by Laurie Lee.

CLARINET SOLO Medley of Christmas tunes

RADIO

READING "Christmas", by John Betjeman

CHOIR Come and join the celebration!

HYMN 108 It came upon the midnight clear

SEVENTH LESSON John 1.1-14
The mystery of Christ's incarnation

CHOIR Carol of the Advent
A contemporary carol from Iona Abbey

THE OFFERING

BIDDING PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN 106 Hark the herald angels sing

THE BLESSING