

The Barnham Broom
And Upper Yare Group

A Service for Christmas Day

Welcome & Introduction

The glory of the Lord has been revealed:
and all flesh shall see it together.

Jesus Christ is the light of the world:
a light no darkness can quench.

The peace of the Christ-child
the Prince of Peace, be with you
And also with you.

Carol

The Confession

You were born for our salvation:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

You came as Saviour to bring wholeness and peace:
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

You come to bring light into the darkness of our lives:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

The absolution is given:

May God who loved the world so much
that he sent his Son to be our Saviour,
forgive us our sins and make us holy to serve him in this,
the world created through Him,
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Christmas Day Collect

Lord Jesus Christ, your birth at Bethlehem
draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth:
accept our heartfelt praise as we worship you,
our Saviour and our eternal God.

Amen.

The Word of God

Reading 1:
Isaiah 52.7-10

Reading 2:
Hebrews 1.1-4

At the end of each reading the reader says:

This is the Word of the Lord:

All: Thanks be to God

The Gospel is announced with the words:
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John:

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel is read: John 1:1-14

At the end the reader may say:
This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

A short reflection follows.

Let us affirm our faith together:

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

All: We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

All: We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

All: We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

All: This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God, Father,
Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Our Intercessions

.... concluding with 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

Final Prayer and Blessing.

May Christ the Son of God, born of Mary,
fill you with his grace
to trust his promises and obey his will,
Amen.

May the Lord bless you,
preserve you from all evil,
and keep you in eternal life.
Amen.

Happy Christmas!