

## Welcome to Morning Worship

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024 First Sunday in Advent

Luke 1: 44-56

# MARY'S SONG

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Please join us for refreshments after the service in the church halls.

#### ORDER of SERVICE

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Introit Promised Lord

**Prayers of Adoration and Confession** 

Song: IPH 299 O come, O come, Emmanuel

Lighting of the Advent Candle: HOPE

Song: He came down that we might have hope

**Baptism of James Andrew Elwood** 

**Aaronic Blessing** 

Song: IPH 452 King of Kings

Children and young people leave for Nativity rehearsals

Interview slot Sense: Anne McManus

Song: IPH 291 (Offering) Come, O long-expected Jesus

**Dedication of Offering** 

Reading: Luke 1: 46-55 Tom Hutchinson

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Sermon Mary's Song

Anthem: Light of the World

Prayers of Intercession Allison Meek

Song: IPH 301 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord

(Magnificat)

Benediction

### **Bible Reading:**

馬利亞尊主為大

46 <u>馬利亞</u>說:「我心尊主為大,47 我靈以神我的救主為樂,48 因為他顧念他使女的卑微。從今以後,萬代要稱我有福,49 那有權能的為我成就了大事,他的名為聖!50 他憐憫敬畏他的人,直到世世代代。51 他用膀臂施展大能,那狂傲的人正心裡妄想就被他趕散了。52 他叫有權柄的失位,叫卑賤的升高;53 叫飢餓的得飽美食,叫富足的空手回去。54 他扶助了他的僕人<u>以色列</u>,55 為要記念<u>亞伯拉罕</u>和他的後裔,施憐憫直到永遠,正如從前對我們列祖所說的話。」

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A SERVICE of THANKSGIVING and REMEMBERING** for those who have died will be held at **6.00 pm tonight.** This service is open to anyone who has lost a loved one, whether in the past year or longer ago. Join us for this time of reflection and remembering, as we give quiet thanks for those who have gone before us.

**ASANTE Tuesday 3rd December at 8pm** in the Megaw Room. We are looking forward to hearing about life in Hong Kong through the experiences of mother and daughter, Yvonne Chan and Rebecca Li, our new Church members. Come along if you would like to hear their stories - everyone is very welcome.

**LUNCHTIME LITURGY** Our next Liturgy for Advent will be on **Wednesday 4 December**, from 1.00-1.20 pm. An oasis of quiet reflection, music and guided prayer, with refreshments after.

Our **CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS SWITCH ON** will be at **6.00 pm on Thursday 5 December**. Kick off the festive season with some carol singing, warm refreshments and even a visit from Santa Claus!

### **BELFAST CITY MISSION – Christmas Gift Appeal!**

On **Sunday 8 December** there will be an opportunity to donate gifts to the BCM Christmas Appeal. Please pace gifts beneath the tree at the front of the church before the start of the morning service. Gift suggestions (unwrapped please) are as follows: selection boxes; tins of sweets; boxes of biscuits; monetary gifts (gift cards, supermarket vouchers, toy stores); groceries (non-perishable).

In addition, all **loose cash** placed in the offering plate on that Sunday will be donated to Belfast City Mission. If you wish to gift aid your donation, please place in an envelope marked "Belfast City Mission" and with your name and address.

The **ORMEAU CHURCHES TOGETHER COMMUNITY CAROL SERVICE** will be hosted in our own church next Sunday afternoon, **8 December**, at **3.00 pm**. Join with friends from St. Jude's Parish, Village Church, Holy Rosary Parish, Cornerstone Methodist and Cooke Church for this annual service.

#### PW CHRISTMAS CONCERT – 13 December

PW present a concert with Ruth Jennings and friends at **7.30 pm on Friday 13 December**. Tickets £15; speak to a PW member for tickets.



SUNDAY TEA/COFFEE VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED! NEW VOLUNTEERS are WELCOME! The new rota for Sunday tea /coffee is now up in the foyer for period end of December to March 2025. If you can help, please sign up or speak to Margaret Robinson.

If you would like to have a notice included in the announcement sheet, please email <a href="NewtownbredaAnnouncements@outlook.com">NewtownbredaAnnouncements@outlook.com</a>

Please try to send your announcements to us by the Thursday prior to the Sunday service.