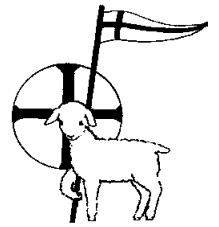


# St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



## Advent, Christmas and New Year Services 2023/4



**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December    The Fourth Sunday of Advent**

8.00am    Holy Communion (BCP)    St Andrew's Chapel

President and Preacher: The Revd Canon Simon Evans

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December**

**Christmas Eve**

4.00pm    Crib Service

Led by the Revd Juliette Hulme and Canon Judy Anderson

A short service during which the Christmas story is retold in verse and acted in mime. With well-known carols for us all to sing.

Children are encouraged to come dressed as angels, shepherds or wise men.



**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December**

**Christmas Eve**

10.00pm    The First Eucharist of Christmas

President and Preacher: The Revd Juliette Hulme

Setting: Leighton in D

Carols: 37 Once in Royal David's city; 42 (version 1) Silent Night

Gospel Acclamations: Celtic Alleluia Walker / O'Carroll

Offertory: 24 It came upon the midnight clear

During Communion: O magnum mysterium    Malcolm Archer

Closing hymn: 18 Hark the herald angels sing

Organ Voluntary: Paean Kenneth Leighton

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> December**

**Christmas Day**

9.30am    Parish Communion

President: The Revd Juliette Hulme    Preacher: Canon Judy Anderson

Christmas Gloria    Philip Ledger    Sanctus & Agnus Dei    Grayston Ives

Carols: 11 Ding Dong Merrily on high; 6 Away in a manger

Offertory: 41 See amid the winter's snow

During Communion: Still, still, still.    German trad arr Mack Wilberg

Closing hymn: 32 O come all ye faithful (omit v 5)

Organ voluntary: Sortie "Laissez paître vos bêtes" César Franck.



The Revd Juliette Hulme is also leading the Christmas service at Holy Trinity Church, Fonthill Gifford, this morning  
Canon Judy Anderson is leading the Christmas service at St Peter's Church, Swallowcliffe, this morning

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## Services during the week

There will be a said service of Holy Communion on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> December at 10.00am in St Andrew's Chapel. There will be no service of Holy Communion on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> December – these resume at 8.00am on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January.

## Services online

There will be no online services in the Nadder Valley between Christmas and New Year - these resume on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2024, with a new code: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81281928812> Passcode: 964580

## In memoriam

We were sad to hear that **Prudence Mary Gingell** (known as Prue) died peacefully at home on 21<sup>st</sup> Dec. Prue was a treasured member of St John's and the local community. We pray for her children, John, Nick and Alix, and all Prue's family at this time of loss.

We were also sad to hear that **Chris Davies**, greatly valued former server at St John's, died peacefully in Salisbury Hospice on 18<sup>th</sup> Dec. We pray for Becky, his widow, and their family at this time of loss.

## A Christmas Prayer

Loving Jesus,  
you were born in a stable but worshipped by the angels.  
Be with all who are living in poverty or conflict  
Be with all who are lonely or sad this Christmas  
Be for us a living hope that lightens their hearts. Amen.



## Thank you for your generosity

Thank you very much to all who have given so generously for the Food Bank, the Refuge and Christmas Cheer. Many people will benefit from your gifts, and several have already expressed their thanks to you all.

## And thank you ...

... to all who have decorated the church so beautifully for Christmas. Thank you too to Stuart, Chris and the choir for the wonderful music which has enhanced our worship over the Christmas period. And thank you to all those who have contributed in so many ways to the life of our church this Christmas.

*Juliette*



**The Vicar, Lay Ministers and Churchwardens of St John's  
wish you all a very happy Christmas**



**Next Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> December      The First Sunday of Christmas**

**Farewell to the Revd Dr Graham Southgate, Team Rector**

11.00am      Benefice Communion      St George, Fovant, SP3 5LA

The Revd Dr Graham Southgate will preside and preach for the last time in the Nadder Valley, after over twelve years as our Team Rector. Do come and bid him farewell as he leaves us to take up his new post as Parish Priest of the Benefice of Upper Stour and Maiden Bradley. Refreshments will be served after the service.

This is the only service in the Nadder Valley Benefice today – no service at St John's.

