

**A warm welcome to
ST JAMES' WEST END
Christmas Day 2015**



Next Sunday:

27th December 2015

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Eucharist

6.30pm **No Service**

Following Sunday

3rd January 2016:

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Celebration Eucharist

6.30pm Sung Evensong

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning

Hymns and Readings for this morning's worship:

Opening Carol 10... Hark! The herald-angels sing

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.

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 52:7-10

⁷ How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns.'

⁸ Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion. ⁹ Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem.

¹⁰ The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Gradual Carol 16... God rest ye merry gentlemen

(Omit verses 2 & 4)

Gospel Reading John 1: 1-14

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

6 There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. ⁸He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. ⁹The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

10 He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. ¹¹He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. ¹²But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

14 And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

Offertory Carol 18... Angels from the realms

Final Carol 12... O come all ye faithful

All are welcome to join us for a cup of Tea or Coffee in the Hall

PEW NEWS

What's Happening Next Week

Mon 28th	1.00pm	Wedding
Tues 29th	-	
Wed 30th	-	
Thurs 31st	-	
Fri 1 st Jan	-	
Sat 2nd	-	



NEW ADDITIONAL SERVICE 'CHURCH ALIVE' STARTS 17th JAN 2016

Following an open PCC meeting held in the church hall on 6th December, the PCC approved the introduction of an additional weekly Sunday service called '**Church Alive**' to start after the Parish Eucharist. **From 17th January our main Parish Eucharist with choir and Pathfinders will start at the earlier time of 9.30am.** There will be refreshments from 10.30am-11am linking the two services and Church Alive will begin with refreshments from 10.45am (the service starting at 11am.)

Church Alive will be a more contemporary and interactive form of service to which everyone is welcome.

NEW SERVICE ARRANGEMENT FROM 17TH JANUARY 2016

8.00-8.40am	Holy Communion (quieter service with no hymns)
9.30-10.30am	Parish Eucharist with Choir and Pathfinders (Parish Eucharist will also be held on first Sundays)

10.30-11am	Refreshments joining two services together
10.45am-c.12pm	"Church Alive" refreshments from 10.45am, service starts 11am (On first Sundays "Church Alive" will be with Holy Communion)
12.30pm	Baptisms (2 nd Sundays of month)
6.30pm	Evening Service (1 st & 3 rd Sundays Sung Evensong with choir; 2 nd Prayer & Reflection; 4 th Informal Worship with Folk Group; 5 th Taizé with Folk Group)

CHURCH ALIVE PLANNING MEETING

There will be a planning meeting for all those interested in helping to lead and support the new service on Thursday 7th January at 7.30pm in the Vestry. Come along and be part of it

INTERESTED IN A LIFT TO CHURCH? Please call Steve on 07557 912 710

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