



# Service of Nine Lessons & Carols by Candlelight

*The Service begins in darkness to symbolise the condition of the world before the Advent of Christ*

**First Reading** Genesis 3.8-15  
**The Fall**



**Bidding Prayer**

**Second reading** Genesis 22.15-18  
**The Promise to Abraham**

**Third Reading** Isaiah 9.2,6-7  
**The Prophecy of the Messiah's birth**

**Fourth Reading** Isaiah 11.1-9  
**The Prophecy of the Messiah's Kingdom of Peace**

**Fifth Reading** Luke 1.26-38  
**The Annunciation to Mary**

**Sixth Reading** Luke 2.1-7  
**The Birth of Jesus**

**Seventh Reading** Luke 2.8-20  
**The Shepherds go to the manger**

**Eighth Reading** Matthew 2.1-11  
**The Magi are led by the star to Jesus**

**Ninth Reading** John 1.1-14  
**The Incarnation of the Word of God**

**The Collect Prayer**

**The Blessing**

*During the final carol a collection will be taken*

*Organ Voluntary*

**CAROLS & CHOIR ANTHEMS TO BE ENTERED INTO THIS OR A SIMILAR ORDER OF SERVICE. NEW SHEETS WILL BE PRODUCED ANNUALLY AS NECESSARY TO INDIVIDUAL CHURCH REQUIREMENTS!**



May you  
have a very  
Happy and Blessed  
Christmas