

Rochester

Carol Service

Nine Lessons & Carols

with the BAE Systems Brass Band

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Order of Service

Welcome - Ray Newman

Opening Prayer - Alec Hollingdale
Industrial Chaplain to BAE Systems

In The Bleak Mid Winter

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| <p>1. In the bleak mid winter
Frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron
Water like a stone
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,
Snow on snow,
In the bleak mid winter long ago.</p> | <p>3 Angels and archangels
May have gathered there,
Cherubim and seraphim
Thronged the air
But his mother only,
In her maiden bliss,
Worshipped the Beloved with a kiss</p> |
| <p>2 Our God, heav'n cannot hold him,
Nor earth sustain;
Heav'n and earth shall flee away
When he comes to reign.
In the bleak mid winter
A stable-place sufficed
The Lord God Almighty, Jesus Christ.</p> | <p>4 What can I give him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man
I would do my part;
Yet what I can I give him - Give my heart.</p> |

Lesson 1 Mankind Disobeys God Through Sin Genesis Chap. 3 verses 1 - 7
Steve Youle - CSC

Away in a Manger

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| <p>1. Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet
head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down
where He lay -
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.</p> | <p>3. Be near me, Lord Jesus;
I ask Thee to stay
Close by me for ever, and love me, I pray
Bless all the dear children in thy tender
care,
And fit us for heaven to live with Thee
there</p> |
| <p>2. The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes,
I love thee, Lord Jesus! look down from
the sky,
And stay by my side until morning is nigh</p> | |

Lesson 2 God promises that a saviour will come Isaiah Chap. 9 verses 2, 6 - 7
Member of the Reaper Club

Once in Royal David's City

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| 1. Once, in Royal David's city,
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby
In a manger for His bed.
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ, her little child. | 4. For He is our childhood's pattern:
Day by day like us He grew;
He was little weak and helpless,
Tears and smiles like us He knew.
And He feeleth for our sadness,
And he shareth in our gladness. |
| 2. He came down to earth from heaven,
Who is God and Lord of all,
And His shelter was a stable,
And His cradle was a stall:
With the poor and mean, and lowly
Lived on earth our Saviour holy. | 5. And our eyes at last shall see Him,
Through His own redeeming love;
For that child, so dear and gentle,
Is our lord in heaven above;
And He leads His children on
To the place where He is gone. |
| 3. And through all His wondrous childhood
He would honour and obey,
Love and watch the lowly maiden
In whose gentle arms He lay.
Christian children all should be
Mild, obedient, good as He. | 6. Not in that poor lowly stable,
With the oxen standing by,
We shall see Him but in heaven,
Set at god's right hand on high;
When like stars His children crowned
All in white shall wait around. |

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Lesson 3 God comforts his people Isaiah Chap. 40 verses 1 - 5
Sharon Edwards - JCI

We Three Kings

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| 1. We three kings of Orient are
Bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain, moor and mountain
Following yonder star | 4. Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume
Breathes of life of gathering gloom
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying
Sealed in the stone-cold tomb |
| 2. Born a King on Bethlehem's plain
Gold I bring to crown Him again
King forever, ceasing never
Over us all to reign | 5. Glorious now behold Him arise
King and God and Sacrifice
Alleluia, Alleluia
Earth to heav'n replies |
| 3. Frankincense to offer have I
Incense owns a Deity nigh
Pray'r and praising, all men raising
Worship Him, God most high | Chorus: O Star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy Perfect Light |

Lesson 4 God keeps his promise to save his people come Matthew Chap.1 vs 18 - 23
Rajeev Gupte - Head of Communications

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

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| 1. Hark! the herald-angels sing,
Glory to the new-born King,
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled.
Joyful, all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies,
With the angelic hosts proclaim
Christ is born in Bethlehem. | 3. Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of a Virgin's womb!
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!
Hail the Incarnate Deity!
Pleased as Man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel! |
| 2. Hail the Heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in His wings
Mild, he lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth. | Chorus: Hark the herald-angels sing
Glory to the new born King |

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Lesson 5 The Saviour is born Luke Chap. 2 verses 1 - 7
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O Little Town of Bethlehem

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| 1. O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie !
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight. | 3. How silently, how silently,
The wondrous gift is given !
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven.
No ear may hear His coming;
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him
Still, the dear Christ enters in. |
| 2. O morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth,
And praises sing to God the king,
And peace to men on earth !
For Christ is born of Mary;
And gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love. | 4. O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us we pray;
Cast out our sin and enter in ;
Be born in us today !
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Immanuel ! |

Lesson 6 The Angels announce the Saviours birth Luke Chap. 2 vs 8 - 14
Mandy Nairn - Cash Office Supervisor

While Shepherds Watched

1. While shepherds watched their flocks by night,
All seated on the ground,
The Angel of the Lord came down,
And glory shone around.
2. "Fear not" said he (for mighty dread
Had seized their troubled mind),
"Glad tidings of great joy I bring
To you and all mankind."
3. "To you in David's town this day
Is born of David's line
A Saviour Who is Christ the Lord -
And this shall be the sign:"
4. "The heavenly Babe you there shall find
to human view displayed,
All meanly wrapt in swaddling bands,
And in a manger laid."
5. Thus spake the Seraph, and forthwith
Appeared a shining throng
Of Angels, praising God, who thus
Addressed their joyful song:
6. "All glory be to God on high,
And to the earth be peace:
Good will henceforth from heaven to men
Begin and never cease."

Lesson 7 The Shepherds go to Worship Jesus Luke Chap. 2 vs 15 - 20
Alec Hollingdale - Industrial Chaplain to BAE Systems

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Lesson 8 The Wise Men Rejoice and Worship Matthew Chap. 2 vs 1 - 3 and 9 - 12
Andy Start - Vice President and Managing Director, Defence Avionics

The First Nowell

1. The first Nowell the Angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields
as they lay;
In fields where they lay a-keeping their
sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.
2. They looked up and saw a star
As it shone in the East, beyond them far;
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night.
3. And by the light of that same star,
Three Wise Men came from country far;
To seek for a King was their intent,
And to follow the star wherever it went.
4. This star drew nigh to the north-west;
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest,
And there it did both stop and stay,
Right over the place where Jesus lay
5. Then entered in those Wise Men three,
Full reverently upon their knee.
And offered there in his presence
Their gold and myrrh and frankincense.
6. Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord,
Who hath made heaven and earth of nought,
And with His blood mankind hath bought

Lesson 9 Jesus the Light of the World John Chap. 1 vs 1 - 5 and 9 - 13
Ray Newman - Environmental Advisor

Christmas Message - **Reverend David C Helms**
Industrial Chaplain to Medway Council

O Come All Ye Faithful

1. O come all ye faithful
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold Him,
Born the King of Angels:

Chorus:
O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him;
Christ the Lord!
2. God of God,
Light of Light,
Lo! He abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Very God,
Begotten, not created;
3. Sing, choirs of Angels
Sing in exultation,
Sing all ye citizens of Heaven above:
'Glory to God
In the highest':

Closing Music from the BAE Systems Brass Band

Thanks - Ray Newman



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