

A winter scene of St Stephen's Church in Canterbury. The church's spire, topped with a cross, is visible through a dense forest of snow-laden trees. The ground is covered in a layer of snow, and a bench is visible in the foreground. The sky is a pale, overcast blue.

# MUSIC

## ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

### 2023

*St Stephen's Church*  
*Canterbury*

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## SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER

## ADVENT SUNDAY

### 10.30am Festal Sung Eucharist

Introit: I look from afar – adapted from a Magnificat by *Palestrina*

Setting: St Anne's Mass – *MacMillan*

Anthem: The truth from above – trad. English carol,

arr. *Vaughan Williams*

Hymns: 11, 3ii, 7, 298, 9

Voluntary: Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme (BWV 645) – *J. S. Bach*

### 6.00pm 'From Darkness to Light' — A Carol Service for Advent

The Advent Antiphons

I look from afar - adapted from a Magnificat by *Palestrina*

A tender shoot – *Goldschmidt*

O thou the central orb – *Wood*

Jesus Christ the apple tree – *Poston*

Dismissal – *Barker*

Hymns 19 (omit vv. 5 & 7), 7, 12, 'O come, O come, Emmanuel', 9

Voluntary: Toccata on 'Veni Emmanuel' – *Carter*

## SUNDAY 10 DECEMBER

## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### 10.30am Sung Eucharist

Setting: St Anne's Mass – *MacMillan*

Anthem: People, look East – Besancon carol melody, arr. *Shaw*

Hymns: 5, 12, 14, 308, 388i

Voluntary: Herr Christ, der einge Gottessohn (BWV 601) – *J. S. Bach*

### 6.00pm Choral Evensong

*Sung by the Tenors and Basses*

Responses: Plainsong

Psalm 40 vv. 12–end

Magnificat: Plainchant tone vi

Nunc dimittis: Plainchant tone viii. 1

Anthem: The Advent Prose – Plainchant (ed. *Cleobury*)

Hymns: 1i, 8 (t. 128ii)

Voluntary: Rorate Caeli Choral orne – *Demessieux*

## SUNDAY 17 DECEMBER

## THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### 10.30am **Sung Eucharist**

Setting: St Anne's Mass – *MacMillan*

Anthem: Gabriel's Message – Basque carol, arr. *Pettman*

Hymns: 11, 3ii, 185, 295, 10

Voluntary: Advent reflections – *Bonington*

### 6.00pm **Service of Lessons and Carols for Christmas**

## SUNDAY 24 DECEMBER

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT CHRISTMAS EVE

### 10.30am **Crib Service**

*Sung by the Trebles*

Carols 34, 22, 26

*St Stephen's Choir will be singing for the Archbishop and leading the Community Carols in Rose Square at 6.15pm this evening*

### 10.00pm **Midnight Mass**

Setting: Mass of St Thomas – *Thorne*

Hymns: 34, 29, 32 (omit vs. 4), 35, 30 (omit vs. 4)

Voluntary: Chorale Prelude on 'In dulci jubilo' (BWV 729) – *J. S. Bach*

## MONDAY 25 DECEMBER

## CHRISTMAS DAY

### 10.30am **Festal Sung Eucharist**

Setting: The Canterbury Service – *Barker*

During Communion: Choir carols

Hymns: 30 (omit vs. 4), 21, 28, 22 (CfC1 p2), 26 (omit vs.4; CfC1 p39)

Voluntary: Toccata from Symphony V – *Widor*

SUNDAY 31 DECEMBER

THE FIRST SUNDAY  
OF CHRISTMAS

**10.30am Sung Eucharist**

Setting: The Canterbury Service – *Barker*

During Communion: Choir carols

Hymns: 33 (omit vv. 2,3 & 6), 23, 25, 39

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