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1ST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS 26th December 2021

ST MICHAEL'S HYMNS

Entrance

506 Once in royal David's city

Before the Gospel

130 Ding dong merrily

Offertory

747 Ye watchers and ye holy ones

Communion

53 Away in a manger

Final

733 While shepherds watched



COLLECT

God in Trinity,
eternal unity of perfect love:
gather the nations to be one family,
and draw us into your holy life
through the birth of Emmanuel,
our Lord Jesus Christ.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son
shared at Nazareth the life of an
earthly home: grant to thy Church
grace to live as one family, united in
love and obedience, and at the last
bring us all to our home in heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



FOR OUR PRAYERS: Doreen, Jacob, Colin, Marsha, Prosperity, Chioma, Janet

DIAL-IN WORSHIP

Janet from St Michaels who can't get out much recommends the Archbishop of Canterbury's free phone line 'Daily Hope' which is available 24 hours: 0800 804 8044'



ADMINISTRATOR LEAVE

I will be out of the office from **Friday 24 December** and back to work **Tuesday 4 January**. Have a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year!



ZOOM SERVICES

Effective **January 2 2022**, all services will be streamed live and available to view via our YouTube channel only. Zoom will not be available after Sunday 26 December.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

We are looking for adult volunteers for Sunday school. Volunteers will be placed on a rota and will require a DBS. Please contact Tilie, Kate or Rev'd Ifeanyi to sign up or for more details

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Wednesday 29 December

Hall: 19:30-21:00 - 7TH Day Adventists

Thursday 16 December

Chapel 18:30 - Eucharist service

Hall: 18:30 - 20:30 - Guides

Saturday 1 January 2022

Hall: 09:00-18:00 - 7TH Day Adventists

Sunday 2 January 2022

Church 10:00 - Holy Communion in church & on YouTube

Hall 13:00-17:00 - I AM Church

OT: I Samuel 2: 18—20, 26 (NLT)

¹⁸ But Samuel, though he was only a boy, served the LORD. He wore a linen garment like that of a priest. ¹⁹ Each year his mother made a small coat for him and brought it to him when she came with her husband for the sacrifice. ²⁰ Before they returned home, Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife and say, “May the LORD give you other children to take the place of this one she gave to the LORD.

²⁶ Meanwhile, the boy Samuel grew taller and grew in favour with the Lord and with the people.



GOSPEL: Luke 2: 41 - end (NLT)

⁴¹ Every year Jesus’ parents went to Jerusalem for the Passover festival. ⁴² When Jesus was twelve years old, they attended the festival as usual. ⁴³ After the celebration was over, they started home to Nazareth, but Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents didn’t miss him at

first, ⁴⁴ because they assumed he was among the other travelers. But when he didn’t show up that evening, they started looking for him among their relatives and friends.

⁴⁵ When they couldn’t find him, they went back to Jerusalem to search for him there. ⁴⁶ Three days later they finally discovered him in the Temple, sitting among the religious teachers, listening to them and asking questions. ⁴⁷ All who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers.

⁴⁸ His parents didn’t know what to think. “Son,” his mother said to him, “why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been frantic, searching for you everywhere.”

⁴⁹ “But why did you need to search?” he asked. “Didn’t you know that I must be in my Father’s house?” ⁵⁰ But they didn’t understand what he meant.

⁵¹ Then he returned to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. And his mother stored all these things in her heart.

⁵² Jesus grew in wisdom and in stature and in favour with God and all the people.

