

# **Crib Service**









#### Introduction

Carol 4 - Once in royal David's city

## **Opening Prayer**

- Carol 15 Silent night! Holy night!
- Christmas Tree

O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree, how lovely are your branches.
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree, how lovely are your branches.
In beauty green they'll always grow through summer sun and winter snow.
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree, how lovely are your branches.

O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree, you are the tree most loved.
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree, you are the tree most loved.
How often you give us delight in brightly shining Christmas light!
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree, you are the tree most loved.

O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree, your beauty green will teach me. O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree, your beauty green will teach me. That hope and love will ever be the way to joy and peace for me. O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree, your beauty green will teach me.

## Reading: Micah

• Carol 10 - While shepherds watched their flocks by night

### **The Nativity**

• Carol 3 - O little town of Bethlehem

#### **Address**

• Carol 22 - In the bleak mid-winter

## Blessing of the Crib and Prayers

The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

• Carol 12 - Hark! the herald angels sing

## **Final Blessing**

We wish you a merry Christmas We wish you a merry Christmas We wish you a merry Christmas And a Happy New Year

Good tidings we bring to you and your kin We wish you a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year Now bring us some figgy pudding Now bring us some figgy pudding Now bring us some figgy pudding And bring some out here

For we all like figgy pudding
We all like figgy pudding
We all like figgy pudding
So bring some out here

And we won't go until we've got some
We won't go until we've got some
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The Vicar and community of St Stephen's wish you a joyous Christmas and a very happy New Year!

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