

7th Lesson Wise men from the East visit the baby Jesus.
Matthew 2: 1-12 read by Richard Dawes.

Choir – Past three o'clock (Wood)

8th Lesson The Holy Family flee from persecution.
Matthew 2: 13-15&19-23 read by Mike Parkes.

Carol 18 – O come, all ye faithful (*verses 1-3 & 6*)

Please remain standing

9th Lesson John unfolds the mystery of the incarnation.
John 1: 1-14, read by Fr Patrick, the Rector.

Prayer & Blessing

Carol 10 - Hark! the herald angels sing

Recessional music - God Rest You Merry Gentlemen
(Wilbur Held)

Keep safe and have a happy Christmas!

St Mary's Church, Lapworth

Nine Lessons and Carols



**Sunday 19th December 2021
6.30pm**

As the choir enter, please stand.

Processional music - Pastorale from Concerto no. VIII
(Corelli arr. by Patrick Williams)

Carol 21 - Once in royal David's city

(verses 1 and 2 choir only, omit verse 4)

Welcome and Opening Prayer

1st Lesson God's promise to King David.
2 Samuel 7:8b-16 read by Clare Kimpton.

Carol 19 – O little town of Bethlehem

2nd Lesson Isaiah foretells Christ's birth and his kingdom.
Isaiah 9: 2&6-7 read by Richard Woodgate.

Choir – And the glory (from Handel's Messiah)

Carol 27 – The first Nowell *(verses 1-3 & 6)*

3rd Lesson The Angel Gabriel brings news to Mary.
Luke 1: 26-35&38 read by Lizza Baines.

Choir – Myn Liking (R R Terry)

Carol 26 – The Angel Gabriel

4th Lesson Joseph learns that Mary is pregnant.
Matt 1: 18-25 read by Doug Bridgewater

Carol 11 – In the bleak mid-winter

(Verse 3 choir only)

5th Lesson Jesus is born in Bethlehem. Luke 2: 1-7
read by Claire Hill

Choir – Nativity Carol (John Rutter)

Carol 3 – Away in a manger

6th Lesson Angels proclaim the good news to shepherds.
Luke 2: 8-16 read by Sue Roberts.

Choir – Torches (Joubert)

Carol 6 – God rest ye merry, gentlemen