



# Welcome to St Denys, Sleaford

**1st December, 2024**

**10.00am**

**Advent Sunday**

Service led by  
The Rev'd Philip Johnson

Hymns as per the board  
480, 703, 128, 405

## KEY COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Senior Citizens' Christmas Party** Wednesday, 11th December  
1.45pm at the High School. Please see poster for more information.

**Sunday, 1st December** No Evensong today.

**Coffee Morning** The final amount raised from the coffee morning was  
£416.00. £208.00 to Church and £208.00 to Embrace.

Minyon thanks everyone who braved the weather to attend.

**Noticeboard** - please see info on Sleaford Choral Society, Come and Sing  
'Wassail', Sleaford Concert Band

### Hymn 1: 480

#### The Greeting

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

#### The Prayer of Preparation:

Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are  
hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy  
name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### The Introduction to Confession

#### The Prayer of Penitence:

Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our  
whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as  
ourselves.  
In your mercy  
forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly,  
love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.

## **The Kyrie:**

Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy,  
Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy,  
Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy,  
Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

## **The Prayer of Absolution**

### **The Collect of the Day**

(This one or another collect will be read)

Almighty God,  
give us grace to cast away the works of  
darkness

and to put on the armour of light,  
now in the time of this mortal life,  
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to  
us in great humility;

that on the last day,  
when he shall come again in his glorious  
majesty

to judge the living and the dead,  
we may rise to the life immortal;  
through him who is alive and reigns with  
you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen

### **Bible Readings**

Jeremiah 33.14-16

Thessalonians 3.9-13

### **The Psalm: 25 1-9**

To follow the psalm please refer to the  
Green Prayer book. Response on  
opposite page.

### **Gospel Proclamation**

Alleluia x 3

### **The Gospel Reading**

Luke 21.25-36

## **The Sermon**

### **The Creed:**

We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.  
We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.

We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen

### **The Prayers of Intercession**

### **The Peace**

### **The Offertory Hymn: 703**

### **The Eucharistic Prayer:**

#### **Opening Dialogue:**

The Lord be with you

**and also with you**

Lift up your hearts

**we lift them, to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God  
**it is right to give thanks and praise**

#### **The Preface**

#### **The Sanctus & Benedictus**

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of pow'r and might,

heaven and earth are full, full of your  
glory.

Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the  
highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name  
of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the  
highest.

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To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

**The Prayer of Consecration**  
**The Memorial Acclamation:**

Christ has died;  
Christ is risen;  
Christ will come again.

**The Doxology**

**The Great Amen:** Amen!

**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

**The Breaking of the Bread:**

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are  
One body, because we all share in  
one bread.**

**The Agnus Dei:**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins  
of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins  
of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins  
of the world: grant us peace.

**The Giving of Communion:**

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to  
his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive  
you,**

**but only say the word, and I shall  
be healed.**

**The Communion Hymn: 128**

**The Anthem:** O thou the central orb  
Wood

**The Post Communion Prayer**

(either this post-communion prayer  
or another may be said)

O Lord our God,  
make us watchful and keep us faithful  
as we await the coming of your Son  
our Lord;

that, when he shall appear,  
he may not find us sleeping in sin  
but active in his service  
and joyful in his praise;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**The Final Hymn: 405**

**The Blessing and Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the  
Lord **In the name of Christ. Amen**

**Organ Voluntary:**

Wachet auf ruft uns die Stimme  
Bach BWV645

## CHURCH TIMETABLE

**Sunday, 1st December** 10am Sung Communion, 3.30pm Christingle at Riverside Precinct **No Evensong**

**Wednesday, 4th December** 10am Said Communion

**Sunday, 8th December** 10am Sung Communion, 5pm Evening Prayer

## DONATIONS

To donate to the work of this church, please use the 'giving' machine at the back of church. Donations may be gift aided.

Alternatively, please scan this QR Code and follow the link to SumUp. Enter the amount and press continue.

If you wish to donate with cash instead there is a collection plate on the table behind the back pew, or see Brenda Hitchcock about Planned Giving.

## HYMNS AND MUSIC

A list of the hymns and music is available on the monthly music list which can be viewed on the website or the noticeboard.



## OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- ◆ In case of fire please exit via the main doors
- ◆ First aid boxes are located in St Hugh's Chapel and in the pew by the Choir Vestry door.
- ◆ The church is fitted with an induction loop. Please turn your hearing aid to the 'T' position.
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