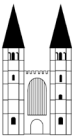




Order of Service
Monday 9th December 2019

Celebrating 20 years of supporting people with learning disabilities in Nottinghamshire



**Southwell
Minster**

*The Cathedral and Parish Church
of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

*With the kind permission of the Dean
and Chapter of Southwell Cathedral*

Welcome to Southwell Minster



As you prepare for worship, please be sensitive to the needs of those around you who may wish to pray in silence. Please switch off mobile telephones and do not use photographic, video or recording equipment at any time.



A loop system is in operation throughout the Minster. Hearing aids that are equipped to do so should be switched to the 'T' position or the loop setting appropriate to your equipment.



Large print orders of service are available. Please ask a Churchwarden, Sidesperson or Verger for a copy.



Toilet facilities (including disabled access) are situated in the Archbishop's Palace, opposite the South Door of the Minster.

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I am delighted to welcome you into the Minster this evening. Reach holds a very special place in our hearts. We have watched with admiration over the last 20 years how Reach's inspirational work has grown and developed, making a huge impact in the lives of everyone who sees first-hand what a difference Reach's services make for clients, their families, volunteers, staff, trustees and local supporters. Congratulations Reach on your special anniversary. We are so pleased you have chosen to come to the Minster at Christmas time; a time when we are reminded of the birth of the child who teaches us every human life is precious and of immense value to God. May God bless your continuing work in the years ahead.

The Very Reverend Nicola Sullivan, Dean of Southwell.

The Chair of Trustees, David Thompson, and I would like to welcome you all to this wonderful venue. We are very grateful to the Dean and the Chapter of Southwell Cathedral for their kind permission to hold this most special service here. As with all our activities, our clients will be at the heart of the service and this fits perfectly with our theme of 'My Place in the Community'. Southwell has a long and proud tradition of embracing people with learning disabilities and the original support of this community gave us the confidence and the solid foundation to reach out with our services across Nottinghamshire. We very much hope you enjoy this celebration and look forward to speaking to you in the Crossing later. You'll notice people wearing orange sashes - these are Reach clients, staff, trustees and volunteers who will be happy to help you tonight and tell you more about our activities.

Steve Shatwell, Chief Executive, Reach



Order of Service

Welcome

The Very Reverend Nicola Sullivan, Dean of Southwell

Carol for all - Hark the Herald Angels Sing

How It All Began

Valerie Harris - Founding Trustee

Dance - 'Read All About It'

Performed by Reach Dancers

Where We are Now

David Thompson - Chair of Trustees, Reach

Carol for all - Away in a Manger

Bible Reading - the story of the birth of Jesus

Read by Elizabeth Williams, Reach Mansfield

Lighting of Festive Wreath

Prayer

Michael Davidson - Trustee, Reach

Song - This is Me

Performed by Reach Singers

Looking Forward

Steve Shatwell - Chief Executive, Reach

Carol for all - O Come All Ye Faithful

Blessing

The Very Reverend Nicola Sullivan, Dean of Southwell.

Refreshments in the Crossing

Welcome

The Very Reverend Nicola Sullivan, Dean of Southwell

Carol for all Hark! the herald angels sing

1. Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King;
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled:
Joyful all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies,
With the angelic host proclaim,
Christ is born in Bethlehem.

Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King

2. Christ, by highest heav'n adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold him come
Off-spring of a Virgin's womb:
Veiled in flesh the God-head see,
Hail th'incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.

Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King.

3. Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Ris'n with healing in his wings;
Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.

Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-88) et al.
Tune: MENDELSSOHN - CC1 14
Felix Mendelssohn (1808-47)
Descant: David Willcocks (1919-2015)

How It All Began

Valerie Harris - Founding Trustee

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Where We are Now

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Carol for all Away in a Manger

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky,
And stay by my side until morning is high.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay
Close by me for ever, and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care,
And fit us for heaven, to live with thee there.

Words: American, anonymous
Tune: CRADLE SONG NEH 22
William James Kirkpatrick (1838-1921)



Bible Reading - the story of the birth of Jesus, Luke 2: 4-7

Read by Elizabeth Williams, Reach Mansfield

Lighting of Festive Wreath

Created by Flower Pod and lit by members of Faith & Light Group, accompanied by 'Don't Stop our Dreaming' – a collaborative song written and performed by Reach Southwell's Media Fun group.

Please feel free to join in with the chorus:

Don't stop our dreaming
For a better world
Listen to our voices
Equality should come first
It should come first

Prayer

Michael Davidson - Trustee, Reach

Song - This is Me

Performed by Reach Singers

Looking Forward

Steve Shatwell - Chief Executive, Reach





Carol for all

O come, all ye faithful

O come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him
Born the King of Angels:
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord!

God of God,
Light of Light,
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Very God,
Begotten, not created:
O come, let us adore him...

Sing, choirs of Angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
Glory to God
In the Highest:
O come, let us adore him...

Words: Latin, 18th century trans. Frederick Oakeley (1802-80), William Thomas Brooke (1848-1917) et al.
Tune: ADESTE FIDELES CC1 26 John Francis Wade (c.1711-86) arr. David Willcocks (1919-2015)

Blessing

The Very Reverend Nicola Sullivan, Dean of Southwell

Refreshments

Please join us in the Crossing for light refreshments and to find out more about Reach

Many Reach clients are also members of Faith & Light; a Christian association for people with learning disabilities or learning difficulties, their families and friends who meet regularly for friendship, worship and celebration. We are delighted to invite members of the Southwell Faith & Light group to perform their community song in the Crossing after the service for you, whilst you enjoy some refreshments.



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CHRISTMAS CHALLENGE

3—10 DECEMBER

This year we are again taking part in the Big Give Christmas Challenge – a national matched funding campaign that doubles donations to charities – so a **£20 gift becomes £40** for example.

You can get your donation doubled tonight by:

- Visiting our donation stations in the Crossing
- Visiting www.reachuk.org and clicking on the Big Give logo.
- Popping your gift into the envelope on your seat and we will do the rest.

Remember matched funding ends at noon tomorrow.

We're raising funds for our 'My Place' project to ensure that Reach's expert staff have the resources available to tailor high-quality bespoke courses and social activities that enable people with learning disabilities to gain the skills and confidence needed to take their place in the community as more independent, active citizens.

Our fundraising need continues through the year. We'll need to raise £300,000 in 2020 in voluntary income just to keep our services at their current level. With more resources we could reach more people with learning disabilities in the county in desperate need of support.

How you can help:

Come and find our fundraising display in the Crossing to discover more about how you can help. Or get in touch with Julia in the fundraising team on **01636 819066**, e-mail Julia.sandhu@reachuk.org.



Don't forget you can also contribute to our work by buying our Flower Pod flowers or just enjoying a coffee at the Reach Cafe in Balderton.



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We would like to thank everyone who has played a part in putting together our Celebration Service, without whom this event would not have been possible.

Special thanks go to:

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The Reverend Canon Dr Richard Frith

Southwell Minster Vergers

Michael Davidson, Reach Trustee

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Reach Trustees

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This order of service is dedicated to friends no longer with us:

*Michael Best, David Short,
Helen Standfield, Katie Welham*



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