

Christmas Celebration with Eynsford Concert Band



A warm welcome to St Nicholas Church

Conducted by Lieutenant Colonel Mike Smith

Band: A Christmas Intrada
Reed

Welcome Revd Jamie Read

Carol: O come all ye faithful

Band: Carol Fantasia
Arr. Fox

Band: I dreamed a dream
Alto saxophone solo from Les Miserables

Carol: The First Nowell

Band: Even when he's silent
Arr. Lt. Col. Mike Smith

Choir: The Infant King
Arr. Peter Young

Band: Rudolph the red nosed reindeer
Arr. Iwai

Carol: O little town of Bethlehem

Band: Christmas Festival
Anderson

Music Group: How many Kings

Bible Reading: Matthew chapter 1, verse 18 to 25
(p. 965, blue bibles)

Christmas Message: Revd Nic Ross

Carol: Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Blessing: Revd Jamie Read



EYNSFORD CONCERT BAND is one of the UK's leading symphonic wind ensembles, based in the small village of Eynsford, Kent since 1972.

The band has 50 playing members from all over the South East of England who aspire to attain the highest standards of musicianship within a social and friendly environment. We enjoy performing a wide range of concert band repertoire from popular music arrangements and orchestral transcriptions to classic and modern wind band works.

In July 2014 the band had the honour of being crowned National Champions at the National Concert Band Symposium (NCBS). This was followed by being invited to represent the UK for the first European Championships for Wind Orchestras held in Utrecht, Holland in May 2016.

Over the years, the band has gained an international reputation having toured Austria, Canada, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Ireland, Netherlands, Malta, Spain and Belgium and in 2017 performed 4 concerts to delighted audiences aboard CMV Columbus during our second cruise to the Fjords of Norway.

The band is firmly rooted in its community and every year raises substantial amounts for local charities. We are delighted to perform at the Remembrance Sunday Service each November at the Sevenoaks Vine War Memorial and to be part of St Nicholas' Christmas celebrations.

The band performs several concerts locally throughout the year. If you would like to find out more, please visit our website www.eynsfordconcertband.co.uk. The band will be celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2022 with some exciting concerts planned.

Lieutenant Colonel Michael Smith BA(Mus) LRSM. Commanding Officer Regional Bands. Royal Corps of Army Music has been as Musical Director of Eynsford Concert Band since 2012.

In April 2008 Mike was selected for a commission into the Corps of Army Music, and subsequently served as Director of Music of the Band of The Royal Irish Regiment and the Band of the Corps of Royal Engineers, before being asked to take up the much-coveted appointment of Director of Music of the Band of the Grenadier Guards.

In July 2013 Mike left the Band of the Grenadier Guards to return to Headquarters Corps of Army Music in a staff officer post and also taking on the role of Corps Secretary, Corps of Army Music. In April 2015 he was appointed Chief Instructor at The Royal Military School of Music where he is responsible for the training of all Army Bandmasters and Musicians.

Four years after leaving the Band of the Grenadiers Guards, Mike has had the honour and unique distinction of being asked to return to the Grenadiers Band as their new Director of Music.

Mike's appointment as Musical Director of Eynsford Concert Band has taken the band into a new and exciting era. Having the opportunity to have such an accomplished musician and band leader has been a real privilege and, amongst other achievements, allowed the band to build a close friendship with the Band of the Grenadier Guards, be crowned National Champions in 2014 and to represent the UK in the first European Championship for Wind Orchestras in 2015.



To know Jesus and make Him known locally and globally

Our service is also being livestreamed on YouTube

All the Christmas services and events are now on our website. Please do take a look and consider inviting others to come along to a service.

Joint Prayer Gathering
Tuesday 7th December
8pm on Zoom - access via website

St NICHOLAS BOOKSHOP
Open : Mondays, Tuesdays & Fridays
10am—2pm

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SUNDAY 5th DECEMBER 2021
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

12th December

8am Holy Communion
Matt Taylor Luke 3: 7-18

StNics@9.15
Angus MacLeay: Isaiah 66

StNics@LadyBoswell's
John Khnana: Philippians 2:8

StNics@11
Angus MacLeay: Isaiah 66

StNics@6.30
Nic Ross: Isaiah 9:1-7

Upcoming events

Contact Christmas Banquet:
Wed 8th December 7.30pm
£7 payable at the door.
St Nicholas Church Undercroft.
With a short talk on the Christian faith. Contact simon.heather@stnicholas-sevenoaks.org

Preschool carol service
Thursday, 16 December
10.30am St Nicholas.
All welcome.

Please do join us for Carol singing at Bligh's Meadow. Sat 18th December from 10.30 contact Matt Taylor

