

*It being Lent there is no Organ Music before or after the service.  
Please us the 'space; for some stillness and prayer – rather than  
chatter!*

**First hymn:**

Forty days and forty nights  
thou wast fasting in the wild;  
forty days and forty nights  
tempted, and yet undefiled:

sunbeams scorching all the day;  
chilly dew-drops nightly shed;  
prowling beasts about thy way;  
stones thy pillow, earth thy bed.

Let us thine endurance share,  
and awhile from joys abstain,  
with thee watching unto prayer;  
Strong with thee to suffer pain

And if Satan, vexing sore,  
flesh or spirit should assail,  
thou, his vanquisher before,  
grant we may not faint nor fail.

So shall we have peace divine;  
holier gladness ours shall be;  
round us too shall angels shine,  
such as ministered to thee.

Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear,  
ever constant by thy side;  
that with thee we may appear  
at the eternal Eastertide.

*G H Smyttan 1822-7 Music: Aus der Tiefe*

**Psalm**

*After the first reading we remain seated as the Choir sings from Psalm 25 in 4  
sections, this response is used:*

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

**Offertory hymn:**

Just as I am, without one plea  
but that thy blood was shed for me,  
and that thou bidst me come to thee,  
*O Lamb of God, I come,*

Just as I am, though tossed about  
with many a conflict, many a doubt,  
fightings within, and fears without,

*O Lamb of God, I come.*

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;  
sight, riches, healing of the mind,  
yea, all I need, in thee to find,  
*O Lamb of God, I come.*

Just as I am, thou wilt receive,  
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve:  
because thy promise I believe,  
*O Lamb of God, I come.*

Just as I am (thy love unknown  
has broken every barrier down),  
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,  
*O Lamb of God, I come.*

Just as I am, of that free love  
the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,  
here for a season, then above,  
*O Lamb of God, I come.*

*Charlotte Elliott 1789-1871      Tune: Saffron Walden*

*At Communion if you wish to receive from the chalice – the common cup – please make your way to the Lady Chapel Altar (by Mary's statue). If you would rather have the host intincted in the wine by the Priest please come to the front centre*

## **Communion Hymn**

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near,  
wait for the Lord be strong take heart!

*Toize Chant*

## **Final Hymn**

Lead us, heavenly  
Father, lead us  
o'er the world's

Spirit of our God, descending,  
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,  
love with every passion blending,  
pleasure that can never cloy:  
thus provided, pardoned, guided,  
nothing can our peace destroy.

tempestuous sea;  
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,  
for we have no help but thee;  
yet possessing every blessing,  
if our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us:  
all our weakness thou dost know;

thou didst stand this world before

thou

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lone and dreary, faint and weary,  
through the desert thou didst go.