Special thanks to

Our College alumni, students, parents, and guests for attending this year’s event.

And those no longer with us and are honored in memory.

“Be mindful. Be grateful. Be positive.
Be true. Be kind.”

Roy T. Bennett,
The Light in the Heart
Programme

Welcome & Invocation
Revd Anupama Hansell, Chaplain

O Little Town of Bethlehem
[All SING]

Phillips Brooks’ memories of his visit to the Holy Land which inspired him to write ‘O Little Town of Bethlehem’
Professor Katherine Willis, Principal

O Come All Ye Faithful
[All SING]

A Teddy Hall Xmas by Ronnie Guthrie
Frederik Soerensen, MCR President

Reading—John 1:1-18
Davidson Sabu, Christian Union

Once in Royal David’s City
[All SING]

A Christmas Truce by Carol Ann Duffy
Emily Thwaites, JCR President

A Merry Christmas - West Country
Traditional Carol arranged by A Warrell
The St Edmund Hall Chapel Choir

A Merry Literary Christmas by Alice Low
Gareth Simpson, Director of Development

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
[All SING]

Closing Remarks
Revd Anupama Hansell, Chaplain
**O Little Town of Bethlehem**

O little town of Bethlehem,  
How still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by.  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth  
The everlasting Light;  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee tonight.

O morning starts, together  
Proclaim thy holy birth!  
And praises sing to God the King,  
And peace to men on earth.  
For Christ is born of Mary  
And gathered all above,  
While mortals sleep, the angels keep  
Their watch of wondering love.

O holy Child of Bethlehem  
Descend to us, we pray  
Cast out our sin and enter in  
Be born to us today  
We hear the Christmas angels  
The great glad tidings tell  
O come to us, abide with us  
Our Lord Emmanuel!

How silently, how silently  
The wondrous gift is given!  
So God imparts to human hearts  
The blessings of His heaven.  
No ear may hear His coming,  
But in this world of sin,  
Where meek souls will receive him still,  
The dear Christ enters in.

**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  
O come, let us adore Him  
O come, let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God  
All glory in the highest

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning  
Jesus, to Thee be glory given  
Word of the Father  
Now in flesh appearing

O come, let us adore Him  
O come, let us adore Him  
O come, let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord!
Once in Royal David’s City

Once in royal David’s city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her Baby
In a manger for His bed:
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little Child.

He came down to earth from heaven,
Who is God and Lord of all,
And His shelter was a stable,
And His cradle was a stall;
With the poor, and mean, and lowly,
Lived on earth our Savior holy.

And through all His wondrous childhood
He would honor and obey,
Love and watch the lowly maiden,
In whose gentle arms He lay:
Christian children all must be
Mild, obedient, good as He.

For he is our childhood’s pattern;
Day by day, like us He grew;
He was little, weak and helpless,
Tears and smiles like us He knew;
And He feeleth for our sadness,
And He shareth in our gladness.

And our eyes at last shall see Him,
Through His own redeeming love;
For that Child so dear and gentle
Is our Lord in heaven above,
And He leads His children on
To the place where He is gone.

Not in that poor lowly stable,
With the oxen standing by,
We shall see Him; but in heaven,
Set at God’s right hand on high;
Where like stars His children crowned
All in white shall wait around.

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

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."

Christ, by highest heaven adored:
Christ, the everlasting Lord;
Late in time behold him come,
Offspring of a Virgin’s Womb.
Veiled in flesh, the Godhead see;
Hail, the incarnate Deity:
Pleased, as man, with men to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel!
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King!"

Hail! the heaven-born
Prince of peace!
Hail! the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in his wings
Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that man no more may die:
Born to raise the son of earth,
Born to give them second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King!"