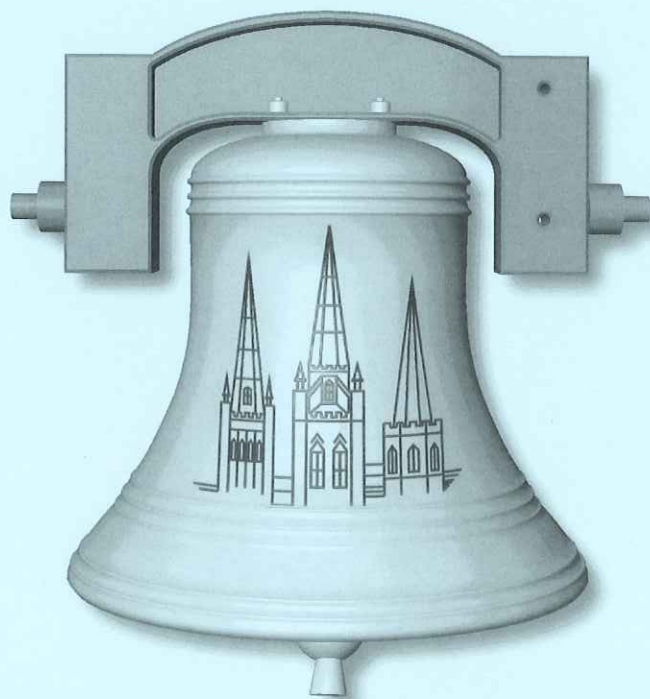
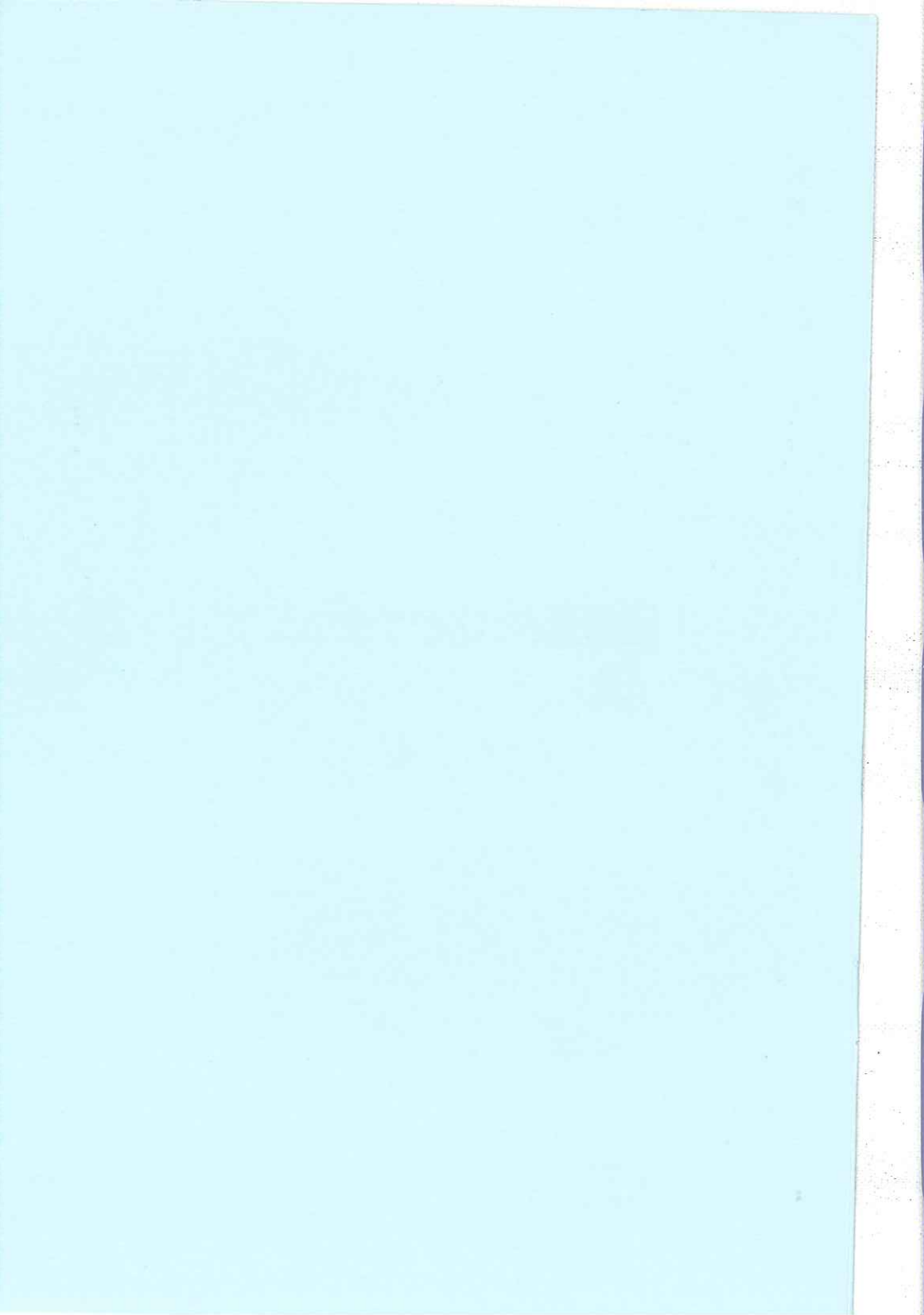


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Revised 2007
for the
Centenary of the Guild

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We meet in the name of God:

Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Lord, direct our thoughts and teach us to pray.

Lift up our hearts to worship you in spirit and in truth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,

Amen.

HYMN

READING

THE ADDRESS

PSALM

PRAYERS

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

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.
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**

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin
against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen**

The Collect for the Day

A Prayer for the Guild

**O God, who has made all things well
and given us so much in life to enjoy;
we thank you for the art of bell ringing,
for the skill of bell founders and craftsmen,
for the gift of music and sound,
and for every means
by which our life and worship are enriched.
Bless the work of our Guild
and help us to be good stewards of your gifts,
that we may glorify you in fuller dedication of ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

Heavenly Father, may the bells be always rung to your glory,
to cheer the sick, to comfort the sorrowing
and to call all willing hearts to prayer and praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

**We thank you, Lord, for the fellowship of ringers,
for the friends made both far away and near to home.
We thank you for the comradeship and shared
responsibility of giving service to the Church,
and for the sharing of time and skills
so that the bells may ring out for future generations.**

Amen.

HYMN

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord:
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen

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- 1 Unchanging God, who livest
enthroned in realms on high,
to men the power thou givest
thy name to magnify.
We raise the bells for ringing
with ready mind and will,
and come before thee, bringing
our hearts, our strength, our skill.
- 2 We call, from tower and steeple,
upon the day of days,
all faithful Christian people
to worship, prayer and praise;
we ring with joyous gladness
when man and wife are blessed;
we peal in muffled sadness
for loved ones laid to rest.
- 3 By union free and willing
the work of God is done;
our Master's prayer fulfilling,
we would in him be one:
one, as the Church our Mother
would have her children stand,
befriending one another,
a strong and steadfast band.
- 4 Our lives, like bells, while changing,
an ordered course pursue;
through joys and sorrows ranging,
may all those lives ring true.
May we, through Christ forgiven,
our faults and failures past,
attain our place in heaven,
called home to rest at last.

Psalms

- 100 O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:
serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a
song.
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:
it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people,
and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts
with praise:
be thankful unto him, and speak good of his name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting:
And his truth endureth from generation to generation.
- 122 I was glad when they said unto me:
'We will go into the house of the Lord.'
Our feet shall stand in thy gates:
O Jerusalem.
Jerusalem is built as a city:
that is at unity in itself.
For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord:
to testify unto Israel; to give thanks unto the name of the Lord.
For there is the seat of judgment:
even the seat of the house of David.
O pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
'They shall prosper that love thee.
Peace be within thy walls:
and plenteousness within thy palaces.'
For my brethren and companions' sake:
I will wish thee prosperity.
Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God:
I will seek to do thee good.

150 O praise God in his holiness:
praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him in his noble acts:
praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him in the sound of the trumpet:
praise him upon the lute and harp.

Praise him in the cymbals and dances:
praise him upon the strings and pipe.

Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals:
praise him upon the loud cymbals.

Let everything that hath breath:
praise the Lord.

