St Marys Charlton Kings

2020 Online Christingle Service

December 13th 4.00pm



Order of Service

Greeting

Christ has brought us out of darkness **To live in his wonderful light.**

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; On those living in the land of darkness a light has dawned. Jesus; the light of the world. **Let your light shine in us.**

Welcome

A candle is lit in church

Opening Prayer

Jesus, Light of the World,
Shine in this place.
Jesus, Light of the World,
Shine in our hearts.
Jesus, Light of the World,
Shine in our lives.
Jesus, Light of the World,
Shine in all the earth. Amen.

Song

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 you Lord Jesus; look down from the sky
And stay by my side until morning is nigh.

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

Bible Reading

Matthew 5:14-16

Talk

Offertory song

It's rounded like an orange, this earth on which we stand; and we praise the God who holds it in the hollow of his hand. So, Father, we would thank you for all that you have done, and for all that you have given us through the coming of your Son.

A candle, burning brightly, can cheer the darkest night, and these candles tell how Jesus came to bring a dark world light.

So, Father, we would thank you...

The ribbon round the orange reminds us of the cost; how the shepherd, strong and gentle, gave his life to save the lost.

So, Father, we would thank you...

Four seasons with their harvest supply the food we need, and the Spirit gives a harvest that can make us rich indeed.

So, Father, we would thank you...

We come with our Christingles to tell of Jesus' birth, and we praise the God who blessed us by his coming to this earth.

So, Father, we would thank you...

Responding in prayer

The Christingle is round like the world we live in. We pray for people all around God's world, that they would know how much God loves them. **Amen.**

We pray that we will shine with the light of Christ in the world so that everyone can see. **Amen.**

We pray that by sharing the light with others, everyone will come to know the light of Christ in their lives.

Amen.

We pray that all those who lead us and look after us will also know of the light of Christ in this world.

Amen.

We pray that all hungry or homeless children will find comfort in the light of Christ.

Amen.

We pray for all people who are sick or afraid, lonely or sad, that they may be cheered up by the light of Christ.

Amen.

We pray for the work of The Children's Society, bringing light and hope to children who are in trouble or unhappy.

Amen.

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. And 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

Making and lighting of the Christingles

Lord Jesus,
Light of the World,
as I hold this Christingle
and think about your great love for me,
help me to take this light out into the world
and to share your love with others,
especially those who need it most. **Amen.**

Final song

Lord, the light of Your love is shining In the midst of the darkness, shining Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us Set us free by the truth You now bring us Shine on me, shine on me

Shine, Jesus, shine
Fill this land with the Father's glory
Blaze, Spirit, blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow
Flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth Your word
Lord, and let there be light

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence From the shadows into your radiance By the blood I may enter your brightness Search me, try me, consume all my darkness Shine on me, shine on me

Shine, Jesus, shine,...

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness So our faces display Your likeness Ever changing from glory to glory Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story Shine on me, shine on me

Shine, Jesus, shine...

The Sending Out

We go in peace:

To share the peace of God with all we meet.

We go in love:

To share God's gift of love with the world.

We go in the light of Christ:

To shine as lights in the world.

To the glory of God the Father.

Amen.