

Merciful Father

**Accept our prayers for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen**

*Church Family News and Birthdays*

*We say together*

**Lord Jesus, Light of Light, you have come among us.  
Help us who live by your light to shine as lights in your world.  
Glory to God in the highest. Amen**

**Song: Christ be our Light**  
*(during which the collection will be received)*

*Blessing*

**And as we watch and wait for Christ's coming,  
may the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with us all, evermore. Amen**

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord  
**In the name of Christ. Amen**



**Please join us for a chat and a drink after the service**

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# "Follow the Star" Family Christingle Service

**with collection in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support**



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*Please stand*

This is the day that the Lord has made  
**We will rejoice and be glad in it**

Grace mercy and peace be with you all  
**And also with you**

*Welcome and introduction*

*Lighting of the Candle*

Today we remember Jesus and the story of his birth **Jesus is our King**  
(*candle is lit*)

Jesus Christ is the light of the world  
With Jesus even dark places are light  
In Jesus we shall live for ever

**Jesus is our way**  
**Jesus is the truth**  
**Jesus is our life**

*Songs:* **Colours of Day**  
**The Light of the World**

**Saying Sorry to God**

Let us pray:

We all sometimes do things that we shouldn't and don't do the things that we should. Jesus tells us that we should say sorry and that God will forgive us. So let us say together

**Father God, we come to you to say sorry:**

**For behaving just as we wish without thinking of You.**

**Father be the Light that guides us.**

**For the wrong things we have thought, said and done.**

**Father be the Light that guides us.**

**For letting ourselves be drawn away from you by temptations in our lives.**

**Father be the Light that guides us.**

Almighty God, who forgives everyone who truly says sorry, have mercy on us. Forgive us for all the wrong things we have thought, said and done. Help us to be good and look after us for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Bible Reading (see slides)*

**Genesis 1, 1-5**

*Pete the Puppet*

*Making Christingle (children at side tables watch slides on monitor)*

*Children's Song:* **Shine from the Inside Out**

**Talk A powerful light is available to all of us.**

*The Creed:*

Let's say together what we believe:

**We believe and trust in God the Father  
who made the world**

**We believe and trust in his Son, Jesus Christ  
who redeemed mankind**

**We believe and trust in his holy spirit  
who gives life to the people of God**

**This is our faith**

**We believe and trust in one God  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen**

*Song:* **This Little Light of Mine** (*music and words on video*)  
(*during which Christingles will be distributed*)

*Christingle Prayer*

*The Lord's Prayer:*

Let's say together the prayer our Saviour taught us:

**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.**

**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**