



CHRISTINGLE SERVICE DECEMBER 2020
(Please join in with the words in bold)

Christ has brought us out of darkness

All: To live in his wonderful light.

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.

Hymn

Bible Reading

Talk

Making the Christingle.

Prayers

Lord Jesus,
bringer of light to this world,
we pray that your light would shine in us and
that as a community we may reflect your light.
Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus,
bringer of light to children and young people,
we pray for young people who are in dark situations.
Shine your light on those who feel hopeless and afraid
that they may have a brighter future.
Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus,
bringer of light to the helpers,
we pray that you would be with those who support young people.
Shine your light on teachers and carers in our community:
may they know your blessing upon them.
We pray for the work of The Children's Society,
and all those who support their work with vulnerable young people.
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer. Amen.

Please join in the family prayer that Jesus' taught his disciples:
**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is 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**

Hymn and Lighting of the Christingles

With our candles lit let us pray:

Lord Jesus,
Light of the world,
I hold this Christingle as a sign of your love.
May we share your light in the darkness.

The candle, planted deep within the world,
is a sign that you made your home among us,
and lived with the poor and neglected.
May we share your light in the darkness.

The ribbon, wrapped around the earth,
Is a sign of your love shown on the cross,
enfolding the whole world with your saving love.
May we share your light in the darkness.

The fruits and sweets, signs of all the good things you have made,
given to us that we might share them fairly
so everyone can have enough.
May we share your light in the darkness.

The Children's Society Prayer:

O Lord Jesus Christ
You said, ' Let the children come to me'
We ask you to bless The Children's Society
And all the children in its care.
May no child be left alone,
Homeless or in need.
Give grace to all those who take part in this work in any way,
and bring us to your home in heaven,
where with the Father and the Holy Spirit
you live and reign for ever. **Amen**

May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us always, now, at Christmas and forever. Amen

Final Hymn