

*Christingle
Service*

Sunday 14th Dec at 11am

 St Peter's

Welcome – Philip Sudell

Come on, come in, everybody

There is a God who is worthy
Of all our praise – he alone is Lord
Come on and join with creation
Let everything shout to praise him
Glory to Christ – he's the one who made us

*Lift up your voices to heaven's king
Bow down before his throne
Our perfect Saviour died for our sin
Hallelujah!
Praise to Jesus Christ the king*

Come on, come in, all you weary
Come on and find rest with Jesus
He is the one who can heal your soul
Come on and join with the angels
Praising the Lamb who was faithful
Giving his life – he's the one who saved us
Lift up your voices to heaven's king...

Come on, you saints, keep believing
Gather to hear the Lord speaking
Humble your hearts, tremble at his voice
Come in with joy for the future
He will renew heaven and earth
Jesus is Lord – he's the one who'll raise us
Lift up your voices to heaven's king...

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Reading: Luke 1:67-80

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⁶⁷ His father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied: ⁶⁸ 'Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, because he has come to his people and redeemed them. ⁶⁹ He has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David ⁷⁰ (as he said through his holy prophets of long ago), ⁷¹ salvation from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us – ⁷² to show mercy to our ancestors and to remember his holy covenant, ⁷³ the oath he swore to our father Abraham: ⁷⁴ to rescue us from the hand of our enemies, and to enable us to serve him without fear ⁷⁵ in holiness and righteousness before him all our days. ⁷⁶ And you, my child, will be called a prophet of the Most High; for you will go on before the Lord to prepare the way for him, ⁷⁷ to give his people the knowledge of salvation through the forgiveness of their sins, ⁷⁸ because of the tender mercy of our God, by which the rising sun will come to us from heaven ⁷⁹ to shine on those living in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the path of peace.' ⁸⁰ And the child grew and became strong in spirit; and he lived in the wilderness until he appeared publicly to Israel.

Explaining the Christingle



Hold the power of the universe in your hand

Hold the words that shaped
the sky and sea and land

The King has given words to us,
to tell us what he's like

Open up your ears and let his Spirit strike

It's a light and a hammer

It's a fire and a sword

It's the voice of our Father

The word of the Lord

The blade of the Spirit can cut to the soul

And God will use it to make us whole

Hear the news of the promised king
who came to save

Hear the news of Jesus
who rose from the grave

Our King has come to live on earth
and rescue us from sin

Open up your mind and let his Spirit in

It's a light and a hammer...

Know the name of Jesus Christ
that makes us new

Know the Son of God,
the Word whose word is true

Our King has spoken to us,
so there is no place for pride

He gives hearts of flesh
and changes us inside

It's a light and a hammer...

Confession

Father God, Thank you that Jesus came into the world to be its light. He came to banish darkness and to bring life and a future. We are sorry for the times when we ignore or refuse his light. In many ways we show that we still love the darkness. We live for ourselves, and don't act out of love for you or our neighbour. Thank you that Jesus died so that we can be forgiven. Thank you that he suffered ultimate darkness in our place to bring us into your light. Please would your Holy Spirit help us to love Jesus and to walk in his light. Amen.

Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Prayer of the Day

God for whom we watch and wait, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son: give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice, and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord.

Light of the world

You stepped down into darkness
opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

Here I am to worship

Here I am to bow down

Here I am to say that You're my God

You're altogether lovely

Altogether worthy

Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days
oh so highly exalted
glorious in Heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth You created
all for love's sake became poor
Here I am to worship...

I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
Here I am to worship...

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Children leave to make Christingles

Talk: Philip Sudell

Jesus – Light in the darkness

Talk notes

Children return with Christingles



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...

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Final Prayer

Please stay around to chat after
the service over coffee/tea
through in the hall



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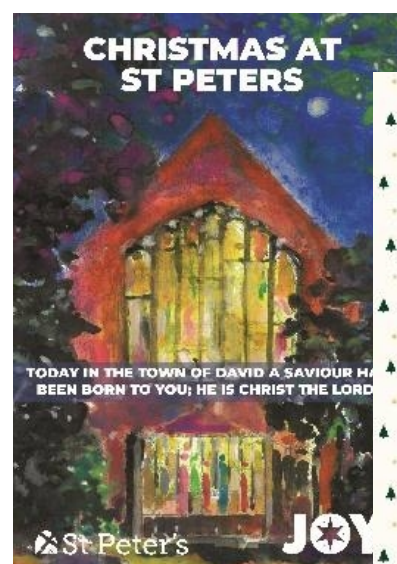
Sun 14 th	9.30am 11am 5pm (meet at 163)	Holy Communion Christingle Service Carol Singing Around The Parish
Mon 15 th		
Tues 16 th	9:45-11am 8pm	Chat & Play for pre-schoolers and their parents/minders @ St Peter's Hall Midweek Groups
Wed 17 th		
Thurs 18 th	10-11.30am 12 noon 12-3pm 8pm	Women's Bible Study @ St Peter's Hall Holy Communion Community Café Christmas Lunch @ St Peter's Hall Midweek Groups
Fri 19 th	7.15-8am	Friday Morning Prayer
Sat 20 th	10:30am-12:30pm	Carol Choir Rehearsal
Sun 21 st	9.30am 11am 3:30pm-5pm 6pm	Holy Communion Family Carols Choir Rehearsal Carols by Candlelight

Looking ahead

Sun 14th Dec – Christingle
 Sun 14th Dec – Carols round the parish - 5pm
 Sun 21st Dec – Carol Services
 Sun 4th Jan – Co-Mission Sunday
 Sat 24th Jan – Co-mission Women's morning
 Mon 26th Jan – Co-Mission Day of Prayer
 Sat 28th Feb – Co-mission Men's morning



Carol Services



Jesus: in his own words

A 4 week course exploring what it means to become a follower of Jesus Christ. Each session is an hour long and looks at what Jesus says about why we need to follow him and how we do that from his words recorded in the gospels in the bible. 8-9pm - Wed 14th, 21st, 28th Jan and 4th Feb at 163 Colney Hatch Lane