



Welcome to the Christingle Service

Order of Service

The Welcome

Are you ready to hum along to some songs? **YES**

Are you ready to listen to a story? **YES**

Are you ready to make a Christingle? **YES**

And are you ready to support the children's society? **YES**

Gathering prayer

Lord Jesus, we thank you Jesus for being born as one of us, not rich and in a palace, but poor and in a stable. Help us today to think about all that we have and to say thank you. Help us also to think about those who have very little. Lord Jesus, you are the light of the world, help us to see your light in our Christingle candles today. **Amen**

See him lying on a bed of straw
a draughty stable with an open door;
Mary cradling the babe she bore
the prince of glory is his name.



O now carry me to Bethlehem
to see the Lord appear to men;
just as poor as was the stable then,
the prince of glory when he came.



Star of silver, sweep across the skies,
show where Jesus in the manger lies;
shepherds, swiftly from your stupor rise
to see the saviour of the world!



O now carry me...

Angels, sing again the song you sang,
sing the glory to the heart of man;
Sing that Bethl'em's little baby can
be the saviour of us all.



O now carry me...

O now carry me...(repeat)



**MAKING THE CHRISTINGLE
LIGHTING THE CHRISTINGLE**

CAROL

Away in a manger, no crib for His 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 poor Baby awakes

But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes

I love Thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the night sky

And stay by my side till morning is nigh

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask Thee to stay

Close by me forever, and love me I pray

Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care

And take us to Heaven to live with Thee there

Prayer

We pray for children who are growing up in families who are struggling to make ends meet. It hurts us to think about this. Part of us would rather not.

We thank you for the Christingle and the ribbon representing your love and wrapping itself around the world.

**We ask you to wrap your arms around each child in need today.
Amen.**

The Blessing

**Now, go home, eat your Christingle sweets
and have a lovely evening.**

See you soon



Sunday 13th 10am Dressing of the Christmas Tree @ Charlton

**Sunday 20th 2pm Angel Trail at
Charlton, Crudwell, Hankerton, Minety, Oaksey**

**Christmas Eve 2pm Crib Service Crudwell
*Come dressed as your favourite nativity character***

**Christmas Day Services throughout the Benefice
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