

'The Light Shines — Morning Worship — Dr Margaret Curtis — in the darkness.'

PRAYER OF PREPARATION.

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Hark the herald angels sing,
glory to the new-born King
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled
Joyful all ye nations rise.
Join the triumph of the skies.
With angelic hosts proclaim,
Christ is born in Bethlehem
Hark the herald angels sing,
glory to the new-born King”.

Christ by highest heav'n adored;
Christ the everlasting Lord.
Late in time behold Him come.
Offspring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see.
Hail the incarnate Deity.
Pleased as man with men to dwell,
Jesus our Emmanuel.
Hark the herald angels sing,
“glory to the new-born King”.

Hail the heav'n born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings;
ris'n with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by.
Born that man no more may die.
Born to raise the sons of earth.
Born to give them second birth.
Hark the herald angels sing,
“glory to the new-born King”.

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PRAYERS OF PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

FAMILY NEWS & LORD'S PRAYER

Come on and celebrate
His gift of love we will celebrate
The Son of God who loved us
And gave us life
We'll shout Your praise O King
You give us joy nothing else can bring
We'll give to you our offering
In celebration praise

Chorus

Come on and celebrate celebrate

Celebrate and sing

Celebrate and sing to the King

Come on and celebrate celebrate

Celebrate and sing

Celebrate and sing to the King

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JUNIOR CHURCH LEAVE

READING: Isaiah 42: 1-6

READING: John 1: 1-15

SERMON: “The Light Shines in the Darkness”

Born in the night Mary's Child
A long way from Your home
Coming in need Mary's Child
Born in a borrowed room
Clear shining light Mary's Child
Your face lights up our way
Light of the world Mary's Child
Dawn on our darkened day

Truth of our life Mary's Child
You tell us God is good
Prove it is true Mary's Child
Go to Your cross of wood

Hope of the world Mary's Child
You're coming soon to reign
King of the earth Mary's Child
Walk in our streets again

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PRAYERS FOR OTHERS AND FOR OURSELVES

We have a gospel to proclaim
good news for all throughout the earth;
The gospel of a Saviour's name:
we sing His glory, tell His worth.

Tell of His birth at Bethlehem,
not in a royal house or hall
But in a stable dark and dim:
the Word made flesh, a light for all.

Tell of His death at Calvary,
hated by those He came to save;
In lonely suffering on the cross
for all He loved His life He gave.

Tell of that glorious Easter morn:
empty the tomb, for He was free.
He broke the power of death and hell
that we might share His victory.

Tell of His reign at God's right hand,
by all creation glorified;
He sends His Spirit on His Church
to live for Him, the Lamb who died.

Now we rejoice to name Him King:
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.

This gospel message we proclaim:
We sing His glory, tell His worth.

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THE LIGHT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS

JUNIOR CHURCH RETURNS OFFERING SHARING WITH JUNIOR CHURCH

One more step along the world I go.
One more step along the world I go
From the old things to the new,
keep me traveling along with You
*And it's from the old I travel to the new
Keep me travelling along with you.*

Round the corners of the world I turn.
More and more about the world I learn
All the new things that I see,
you'll be looking at along with me
(Chorus)

As I travel through the bad and good.
Keep me travelling the way I should
Where I see no way to go,
you'll be telling me the way I know
Give me courage when the world is rough
Keep me loving though the world is tough
Leap and sing in all I do.
Keep me travelling along with You
(Chorus)

You are older than the world can be.
You are younger than the life in me
Ever old and ever new,
Keep me travelling along with You
(Chorus)

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TIME FOR REFLECTION

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you

BLESSING



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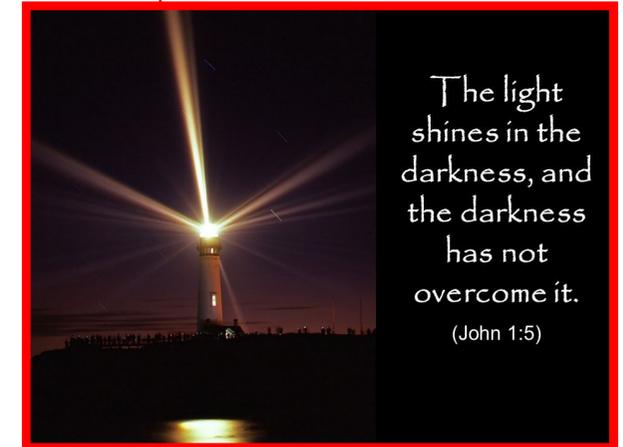


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The light
shines in the
darkness, and
the darkness
has not
overcome it.
(John 1:5)

The light Shines in the Darkness

Sunday 10.45^{am} 30th December 2018