



# Welcome

*We welcome you today whatever your reason for coming*

**'A global Christian family following  
Jesus at the heart of London'**



**9:30 am Sunday, 7th December 2025  
2nd Sunday of Advent**

## ONLINE SERVICE

Preacher: Deacon Ali McMillan with Deacon Myrtle Poxon

John 1:1-5

### LIVE-STREAM WELCOME

VIDEO CALL TO WORSHIP – Prince of Peace

Radiant Advent

VIDEO SONG – Here I am to Worship

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.

*So 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.

Away in a manger  
no crib for a bed  
the little Lord Jesus  
laid down His sweet head  
the stars in the sky  
looked down where He lay  
The little Lord Jesus  
asleep on the hay.

*So here I am to worship...*

### OPENING PRAYERS

Deacon Ali McMillan

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Please join in using your own language or the version you prefer.*

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.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.

#### VIDEO GOSPEL LESSON John 1:1-5

Read by Lily Hyun

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was with God in the beginning. <sup>3</sup> Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. <sup>4</sup> In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

#### VIDEO SONG – Love Shone Down

I had a dream that I was standing on a hillside,  
and all the lights of town were shining far below  
when up in the air beautiful voices,  
sang a new song, let everyone know.

*Oh and love shone down  
over the hills and over the valleys,  
oh and love shone down over the world.*

Somebody spoke to me,  
I knew it was an angel.  
He said 'There's something that I think you ought to know.'  
Then he smiled, said, "Don't be afraid now."  
Sing a new song, let everyone know.

*Oh and love shone down  
over the hills and over the valleys,  
oh and love shone down over the world.*

And then he told me all about the baby Jesus,  
how to find him, where exactly I should go.  
Then he was joined by millions of others.  
Sing a new song, let everyone know.

*Oh and love shone down  
over the hills and over the valleys,  
oh and love shone down over the world.*

#### VIDEO – Christingles

Charlie Bushell

**SERMON 'The light that shines in the darkness'**  
Deacon Ali McMillan

#### VIDEO CAROL – Silent Night

Silent night, holy night:  
sleeps the world; hid from sight,  
Mary and Joseph in stable bare

watch o'er the child beloved and fair  
sleeping in heavenly rest.

Silent night, holy night:  
shepherds first saw the light,  
heard resounding clear and long,  
far and near, the angel-song:  
'Christ the Redeemer is here!'

Silent night, holy night:  
Son of God, O how bright  
love is smiling from your face!  
Strikes for us now the hour of grace,  
Jesus, Lord at your birth.

**PRAYERS FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS**  
**Deacon Myrtle Poxon**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**VIDEO – District Youth Event**

**OFFERING PRAYER**  
**Deacon Myrtle Poxon**

**VIDEO HYMN – Go Tell it on the Mountains**

Go, tell it on the mountain  
Over the hills and everywhere  
Go, tell it on the mountain  
That Jesus Christ is born

Go, tell it on the mountain  
Over the hills and everywhere  
Go, tell it on the mountain  
That Jesus Christ is born

While shepherds kept their watching  
O'er silent flocks by night  
Behold throughout the heavens  
There shone a Holy light

The shepherds feared and trembled  
When, lo! Above the Earth  
Rang out the angel chorus  
That hailed our Saviour's birth

Go, tell it on the mountain  
Over the hills and everywhere  
Go, tell it on the mountain  
That Jesus Christ is born

Down in a lowly manger  
Our humble Christ was born  
And brought us all salvation  
That blessed Christmas morn  
(various repeats)

Go, tell it on the mountain  
Over the hills and everywhere  
Go, tell it on the mountain  
That Jesus Christ is born

**HEALING PRAYER TEAM**

Deacon Ali McMillan

**THE BLESSING**

Deacon Ali McMillan

**VIDEO OUTRO ORGAN**

Leon Jessel Parade of the Tin Soldiers played at MCHW by Gerard Brooks

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