

## THE DISMISSAL

Gracious God take our faith, flawed though it is, our love, poor though it be, and our commitment, for all its imperfections, and use us in your service, to make known your gracious purpose, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Hymn Tune: Love Divine

Love Divine, all loves excelling,  
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
All thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion,  
Pure unbounded love thou art;  
Visit us with thy salvation,  
Enter every trembling heart.  
Come, almighty to deliver,  
Let us all thy grace receive;  
Suddenly return, and never,  
Never more thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,

Serve thee as thy hosts above,  
Pray, and praise thee, without  
ceasing,  
Glory in thy perfect love.  
Finish then thy new creation  
Pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see thy great salvation,  
Perfectly restored in thee,  
Changed from glory into glory,  
Till in heaven we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before thee,  
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

### You are most welcome to stay for coffee after the end of service

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## The Parish of Foxcote with Shoscombe

### CHRISTINGLE ALL AGE WORSHIP

10am - Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2011 - 2nd of Advent

### Welcome/Notices

### Song

Lord the Light or 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.

As we gaze on Your kindly 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.

### 'What is Christingle' Video

### Christingle Quiz

1. Christingle originally came from which country and when?
2. Christingle is associated with which saint and from which country?
3. What sweets are very popular to make a Christingle?
4. What does the orange represent?
5. What do the sweets represent?
6. What do the 4 sticks represent?
7. What do the 4 sticks represent when they are placed in the orange?
8. What does the ribbon represent?

9. What does the candle represent?

10. What does Christingle mean?

### **Talk 1 - What is Advent?**

#### **MAKING THE CHRISTINGLE PART 1**

##### **The World (The Orange)**

##### **Birthdays**

Happy Birthday to you,  
We're so glad God made you,  
Happy Birthday God bless you,  
Happy Birthday to you.

#### **MAKING THE CHRISTINGLE PART 2**

##### **The light of the world (The Candle)**

### **Talk 2 - Four Things on Advent**

#### **MAKING THE CHRISTINGLE PART 3**

##### **The Cross (Red ribbon)**

##### **Song**

I am a friend of God (waahoh)  
I am a friend of God (waahoh)  
I am a friend of God  
He calls me friend  
Who am I that you are mindful of me?  
That you hear me when I call?  
Is it true that you are thinking of me?  
How you love me,  
it's amazing!  
God almighty,  
Lord of Glory,  
You have called me friend

### **Talk 3 - Remembering Advent**

##### **Song**

Be still for the presence of the Lord  
The holy one is here  
Come bow before him now  
With reverence and fear  
In him no sin is found  
We stand on holy ground  
Be still for the presence of the Lord  
The holy one is here  
Be still for the glory of the Lord  
Is shining all around  
He burns with holy fire  
With splendour he is crowned  
How awesome is the sight  
Our radiant king of light  
Be still for the glory of the Lord  
Is shining all around  
Be still for the power of the Lord  
Is moving in this place  
He comes to cleanse and heal  
To minister his grace  
No work to hard for him  
In faith receive from him  
Be still for the power of the Lord  
Is moving in this place

#### **MAKING THE CHRISTINGLE PART 4**

##### **Gifts (Sweets on cocktail sticks)**

##### **LIGHTING THE CANDLES**

##### **Prayer (led by the children)**

Almighty God,  
We thank you for this time of Advent:  
a time to prepare ourselves,  
a time to anticipate,  
a time to enjoy our expectations.  
We pray for those for whom Christmas is something they dread,  
and who are not looking forward to it at all.  
Help us to take time this Advent to reflect on the birth of Jesus  
and what it might mean for us and for those around us today.

**Amen.**