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An Audio Service for Sunday 21st February 2021

This service has been created by members of the Stourdene Benefice and is led by Maggie Bannister. Previous audio services can be found using the link below.

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Opening and Closing Music – Uno Mattina by Ludovico Einaudi
Decca (UMO) (Classics) 2004

Welcome from Maggie Bannister

Hymn: Lord of all hopefulness

Lord of all hopefulness
Lord of all joy
Whose trust ever child-like
No cares could destroy
Be there at our waking
And give us we pray
Your bliss in our hearts Lord
At the break of the day

Lord of all eagerness
Lord of all faith
Whose strong hands were skilled
At the plane and the lathe
Be there at our labours
And give us we pray
Your strength in our hearts Lord
At the noon of the day

Lord of all kindness
Lord of all grace
Your hands swift to welcome
Your arms to embrace
Be there at our homing
And give us we pray
Your love in our hearts Lord
At the eve of the day

Lord of all gentleness
Lord of all calm
Whose voice is contentment
Whose presence is balm
Be there at our sleeping
And give us we pray
Your peace in our hearts Lord
At the end of the day

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We say together:

Loving God, by whose great generosity we are granted the gift of life, so breathe on this spark of your presence within us that we burn with a flame of love that banishes our fear and lights up the world around us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, light and life of the world. Amen.

John Polhill

Bible Reading: Genesis 9.8-17, read by Phil Knight

Poem: God colours the rainbow, written by Julia Morris, read by Jane and Peter Waters

Bible Reading: Mark 1.9-15, read by Carolyn Rodgers

Hymn: In Christ alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My comforter, my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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Reflection: Finding God in the rainbow, read by Jane Evans
From spillthebeans.org

Song: Walk with me

Chorus

Walk with me O Lord
Be with us on our journey of faith
Walk with me O Lord
And hear us when we pray

Chorus

Come Holy Spirit Our teacher and Lord
Come fill our hearts let our lives be restored
Spirit of Love we will answer your call
To live the salvation Christ won for us all

Chorus

Come Holy Spirit the giver of life
Lead us out of darkness to walk in your light
Give us compassion and hearts that are pure
In thought word and deed let us live by your law

Chorus twice

And hear us when we pray
And hear us when we pray

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Prayers of Intercession led by Dave Benton
From spillthebeans.org

The response to the words 'Lord in your mercy' is '**Hear our prayer**'.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father,
who art in Heaven,
hallowed be Thy Name.
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
on Earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Song: Rainbow connection

Why are there so many songs about rainbows
and what's on the other side?
Rainbows are visions, but only illusions
and rainbows have nothing to hide.
So we've been told, and some choose to believe it,
I know they're wrong, wait and see.
Someday we'll find it, the rainbow connection,
the lovers, the dreamers, and me.

Who said that every wish would be heard and answered
when wished on a morning star?
Somebody thought of that, and someone believed it.
Look what it's done so far.
What's so amazing that keeps us stargazing
and what do we think we might see?
Someday we'll find it, a rainbow connection,
the lovers, the dreamers, and me.

All of us under its spell
We know that it's probably magic.

Have you been half asleep and have you heard voices?
I've heard them calling my name.
Is this the sweet sound that calls the young sailors?
The voice might be one and the same.
I've heard it too many times to ignore it.
It's something that I'm supposed to be.
Someday we'll find it, the rainbow connection,
the lovers, the dreamers, and me.
La-da-da-de-da-da-do
La-da-da-da-da-de-da-do

*Kenny Ascher & Paul Williams
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Closing Blessing led by Maggie Bannister

Sound Effects

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Mark Tree effects <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4K2xeVAq45M>
Footsteps Fliss Goble
*Using some material from spillthebeans.org
Rainbow: Sing Out by Nickomo, Sung by Harmonic Temple, From 'Beauty all around me'*