



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
Children's Liturgy
Sunday, January 17, 2021

Song

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me this I know, For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong, They are weak but He is strong
Jesus loves me this I know, For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong, They are weak but He is strong
Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me.
Yes Jesus loves me, for the Bible tells me so

Leader:

This is a time to collect our thoughts and give them to the Lord.

Collect for Purity:

Prepare our hearts to worship God. Open our minds and hearts. **Amen.**

Collect of the Day:

Thank you God that we can be here today. Thank you for each child who attends Children's Chapel and for this time we have to hear a story you have told. **Amen.**

All sit.

The Lesson:

We are in the season after Christmas called Epiphany. Epiphany means several things: a gift is received; the gift must be shared. Jesus appears to be suggesting a rhythm, a balance to our lives. We go inward to be with God, to receive; we go out in the world to share what we have been given—still with God. We are called to balance the pouring out of our love with the resting in God. We are called to heal by just showing up, by laying on hands, by sharing what we have. This good news that was for the few people who heard it in Jesus' time is ours because the Gospel writers reached out and shared it. It will belong to those who have not yet heard, if we accept our call to share the story by how we live out our lives. Today's theme is "Come and See."

Leader: A Reading from the Gospel of John

Jesus wants to share. There is work to do, and he knows things he wants to show others. So Jesus starts looking around for some people to help him. "Hmm," said Jesus. "Hmm. Philip? Yes. Philip." "Come with me," Jesus said to Philip. And Philip said, "OK!" Philip had a friend: Nathanael. "Hey, Nathanael, you should come with me and my friend Jesus." Nathanael is not sure. "Aw, come on, Nathanael, come with me and you'll see." "OK," says Nathanael. He goes with Philip and then he becomes one of Jesus' followers and friends.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Creed: *All stand.*

All: **We believe in God / Who made us and everything / We believe in Jesus Christ / Who is God's son / We believe in the Holy Spirit / Who helps us grow. Amen.**

Prayers of the People: *All kneel.*

Leader: We pray for our clergy: Dean Beverly and everyone in the church.

All: **Jesus, Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for the leaders of the world, so we can live in peace.

All: **Jesus, Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for our families, that Your love may fill our hearts

All: **Jesus, Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for the boys and girls and their families who are hungry, and give thanks for those who help them.

All: **Jesus, Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for all people who are sick or sad.

All: **Jesus, Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for all who have died.

All: **Jesus, Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We ask all these things in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ.

All: **Jesus, Hear our prayer.**

Confession: *Remain kneeling and repeat after the leader.*

All: **Dear God / I am sorry that I have done things, / and I should not have done. /
I ask you to forgive me / for hurting friends and those I love. /
Please help me to do better. / Thank you, God, for your love. Amen.**

Leader: **Thank you God for hearing us. / We know that you forgive us. /
We know that Jesus loves us. / We know that the Holy Spirit /
Keeps us in God's care. Amen.**

Closing Prayer

All: **Oh, Lord Jesus, I praise you this day. / I give myself to you this day /
I ask you to help me this day. Amen.**

The Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Song

Trust and Obey

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word,
What a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will, He abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Activity

Provide your children with some paper and crayons. Ask them to draw Jesus calling Philip and Philip going out and bringing in Nathanael. Ask them to include the words "Come with me" in their drawing. While they are drawing ask them who they would invite to come and see Jesus.