



# CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

## Children's Liturgy Sunday, November 29, 2020

### **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.**

*All sit.*

### **The Lesson:**

*This reading from the Bible was written after the birth of Jesus. In the lesson, Jesus teaches us to be more like Him.*

Do you notice anything different about our space? The season of Advent is here. We are waiting for the birth of Baby Jesus. We light a candle each week to show the birth of Jesus is coming nearer.

Let us pray: Dear God, thank you for letting us worship today. Help us to stay alert and prepare for the coming of Christ this Advent season. **Amen.**

Jesus told us that he is coming back, but nobody knows when that is going to happen. Jesus wants us to be watching and doing the stuff we need to do. If we were going on a trip and had a puppy, we would want to be sure we had someone we could trust who would take care of that puppy until we got back. We would want someone who would pay attention. Watch. Stay alert. And that is today's theme, "Keep Alert."

*Leader:* A Reading from the Gospel of Mark 13:33-37

"Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

*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**

### *Stay Awake, Be Ready*

Stay awake, be ready  
You do not know the hour when the Lord is coming.  
Sat awake, be ready.  
The Lord is coming soon!  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
The Lord is coming soon.  
  
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You do not know the hour when the Lord is coming.  
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The Lord is coming soon!  
Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord is coming soon.

## **Activity**

Give your children pieces of paper and crayons and ask them to draw what your house is going to look like as you get ready for Christmas. Will you have a Christmas tree? Will you have a nativity set? What will you do to help get your home ready?