



# CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

## Children's Liturgy

### The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 11, 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, Jesus, for showing friends how to work together. Thank you for friends who can work together to get things done. **Amen.**

*All sit.*

#### **The Lesson:**

We are now in the long season known as Ordinary Time, the season after Pentecost which runs until after Thanksgiving. As we take this journey, we are invited to be on the lookout for all the blessings found in the ordinary—to see God at work here and now. It is a time in which the mission of the church is carried out in the day-to-day life of its members. In Ordinary Time we will probably encounter some out-of-the-ordinary events in our own lives and possibly even in our life together as the Cathedral Family. The gift of this time is finding the hidden blessings amid the ordinary occurrences. And we are asked to share our blessings with others. The Scriptures for the Sundays from now until Advent are called Propers. Today is Proper 9. The Gospel for this year is Mark.

In today's lesson Jesus begins to train his disciples. Two by two he sends them out to work in pairs, building their own relationships as they work with those who accept their ministry. Today's theme is "Two-by-Two."

*Leader:* A Reading from the Gospel according to Mark.

Jesus and his friends had been traveling around the country. Now it was time for Jesus to send his friends out to do some of the work. Jesus knew that when two friends work together they can get more work done and they can support one another. So Jesus began to show his friends how to do this. They did not have big suitcases, or even backpacks. Jesus told his friends to go, two-by-two, and take nothing with them—not a change of clothes, no extra shoes, no money. Sometimes people would be glad to see them, invite them into their houses, fix them supper, and listen to what they had to say. Sometimes people would not listen to them at all. Jesus told his friends to say thank you for whatever people gave them for supper (even if it was something they did not really like). If people did not listen to them, then the friends should just shake the sand out of their sandals and move on.

*This is the end of the lesson so I say:*

The Word of the Lord.

*And you say:*

**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.  
Help us to always remember that you are at the center of our family and you call us into a  
larger family. Amen**

## **The Peace**

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

*All:*       **And also with you.**

## **Activity**

Invite the children to make friendship bracelets. Use chenille stems and beads. They can take the bracelets home or exchange them with a friend in class.