



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

Children's Liturgy

Sunday, February 7, 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, for showing us how to serve and how to pray. Be with us as we go into the world and help us to feel your presence in our daily lives as we pray and play with you. **Amen.**

All sit.

The Lesson:

There is a rhythm in Mark describing Jesus' ministry. He goes to teach or to heal— then he goes inward to pray and listen. Jesus goes to Simon's house after the first teaching in the synagogue to find Simon's mother-in-law ill. He takes her by the hand and helps her up. By evening, the whole town was crowding around— many in need of healing, and most were healed. Jesus gets a little rest and then long before dawn goes inward—to a lonely place to pray. We see the balance in which he lives. Today's theme is "Prayer and Action"

Leader: A Reading from the Gospel of Mark

Today we hear a story about Simon's mother-in-law who was sick. (The mother of Simon's wife.) Well, she was really sick, and everyone was worried about her. Jesus and Simon went to Simon's house for lunch after they had been in the temple. When Jesus saw that this dear woman was sick, he simply took her by the hand and helped her get up. After Jesus touched her and helped her out of bed, she felt so good, and was so grateful that she went right to the kitchen to prepare Simon's favorite meal. Later that day, people had heard that Jesus was in Simon's house and that he had been healing people. So people came to Simon's house. They brought sick people, people with all kinds of sicknesses and hurts. When they got to Simon's house, Jesus put His hands on them and they got well. At the end of the day Jesus was really tired and stayed at Simon's house to rest. He got up very early the next day so he could go off to a quiet place to pray and talk with his father, God. So he could listen to his father, God, and listen to God wanted him to do.

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.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

Standin' in the Need of Prayer

It's me, it's me, O Lord,
standin' in the need of prayer
It's me, it's me, it's me, O Lord,
standin' in the need of prayer.

Not my father, not my mother,
but it's me, O Lord,

Standin' in the need of prayer.

Not my sister, not my brother,
but it's me, O Lord,

Standin' in the need of prayer.

It's me, it's me, O Lord,
standin' in the need of prayer

It's me, it's me, it's me, O Lord,
standin' in the need of prayer.

Activity

Print the Lord's Prayer on a sheet of paper leaving big margins around it. Ask your child to illustrate around it. Now, say the prayer together and ask your child to show you what they drew. Practice The Lord's Prayer with your child.