



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

Children's Liturgy

Sunday, March 14, 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 for sending Jesus to show us what you want us to know. **Amen.**

All sit.

The Lesson:

It is the season of Lent. During Lent we again go inward—in preparation, just like during Advent. Lent lasts for 5 Sundays, we are in week four. Pretty soon we will have Psalm Sunday and Easter.

Jesus patiently prepares his followers for what is to come. Jesus is getting ready to die on the cross so he can save us through the resurrection on Easter Day. The light that has come into the world. God reaches out to all of us, sending the Son into the world so that all might be saved through him. Today's theme is "Come to the Light."

Leader: A Reading from the Gospel of John.

Jesus is trying to help the people understand that God loves us—all of us. And God wants us to be sure we know we are loved by God. That is why God sent me, says Jesus. Now that you hear me telling you that God loves you—you will know it is true. We will also know that God is not just sitting there waiting for us to get in trouble. God wants to help us stay out of trouble. Listen to what Jesus said: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son." God loves us so much that he gave us Jesus. Jesus is the light of the world for us to follow.

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 (During Lent we will say 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

This Little Light of Mine
This little light of mine
I'm going to let it shine
Oh, this little light of mine
I'm going to let it shine
This little light of mine
I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, all the time, let it shine
All around the neighborhood
I'm going to let it shine
All around the neighborhood
I'm going to let it shine
All around the neighborhood

Activity

Write on a sheet of paper: For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son. Ask your child to illustrate the words. If you want them to memorize the words, you could ask your child to repeat the phrase with you a few times.