



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

Children's Liturgy

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, June 20, 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:

Glorious and Adventurous God, thank you for your wonderful creation and for the waters of life you have given us. Be with us as we hear about you and your disciples this morning. **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 7. The Gospel for this year is Mark.

In today's lesson we learn that amid the storms that toss our boats is the assurance that Jesus sleeps on a pillow in our boat! Today's theme is "Jesus in the Storm."

Leader: A Reading from the Gospel according to Mark.

This story happens in the evening and Jesus is tired. He has been talking to people all day, so his friends tell him to get into their boat and they will row him to the other side of the lake. We need a boat! (Either turn a table upside down, or simply create an imaginary boat) Let's all get in this boat – I need lots of people to help me row. Each of you, grab an oar and row with me as I tell you this story. At first the friends of Jesus were gently rowing the boat, and it was going slowly across the lake. Suddenly a big storm began. The wind blew so hard that water was splashing into the boat. The people were getting very scared. And Jesus? He was sound asleep, his face on a pillow, in the back of the boat. "Hey, Jesus," his friends cried out: "Don't you even care that we are about to drown?" Jesus woke up, rubbed his eyes, looked around and then said to the wind: "Peace! Be still." And all of a sudden the wind stopped. The waves stopped. It was all calm. Jesus looked at his friends. "Why were you so scared? Didn't you know I am right here with you?" Jesus friends were amazed and whispered to each other as they continued to row across the lake. "Wow!" Even the WIND obeys Jesus."

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

- I wonder if you have ever been on a boat ride?
- I wonder if you have ever been scared in a storm?
- I wonder if you have ever slept through a storm?
- I wonder if you have ever prayed when you were scared and asked Jesus to be with you?

Ask the children to help you write a prayer they can remember to say when they get scared.