



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
Children's Liturgy
The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, August 22, 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 God; Father, Son, and Spirit..

Collect for Purity:

Let's prepare our hearts to worship God. Jesus, open our minds and our hearts. **Amen.**

Collect of the Day:

Thank you, Jesus, for helping us to know that you love us and that you want us to have your spirit in us. **Amen.**

The Lesson: *All sit.*

We are now in the long season known as Ordinary Time, the green 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. 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. Today's theme is "What Will We Choose?"

Leader: A Reading from the Gospel according to John.

The people who had been listening to Jesus were having a hard time understanding him. "This is hard!" they said. Some of them thought it was so hard that they just went away. Jesus asked his friends if they wanted to go away too. "No way," they said, "we want to be with you." Jesus said to them, "It is the spirit that gives life. Without the spirit, my breath, your bodies are not good for much of anything."

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, Father Eric, 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 we 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, / that 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

Blowing bubbles in the courtyard.

Remember: Jesus said to them, "It is the spirit that gives life. Without the spirit, my breath, your bodies are not good for much of anything."