



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL  
Children's Liturgy  
Sunday, December 27, 2020

**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 giving us Jesus. Thank you that he came as a baby and we can be together today to celebrate the birth of Jesus. **Amen.**

*All sit.*

**The Lesson:**

Christ is born! Even though everyone celebrated Christmas during Advent, it is still Christmas season, and it will be until January 6! Today's theme is "A Child Among Us".

*Leader:* A Reading from the Gospel of John

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him,... in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.... All who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood,... but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory.... (John testified to him and cried out, 'This was he of whom I said, "He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me." ')... The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

*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.**

## **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**

### *Born In Bethlehem*

Baby Jesus, born in a stable  
Humble Savior's birth  
You left Your throne in Heaven above  
To live here on the earth  
Baby Jesus lying in a manger  
Crying for the world  
The angels told the shepherds of  
The good news for us all  
Hallelujah, the King is here  
Given for all men  
For today, the holy Son of God  
Is born in Bethlehem

## **Activity**

Give your child a sheet of paper and markers and ask them to draw a picture of the Nativity.