

Simplified Order of Worship for Pre-K, Epiphany - Year A, 2023

See suggestions for leading devotions for young children in Heart Imprints introduction

INVOCATION

Ring the Bell:

Ring a bell or ask a child to ring the bell. Share with the children that the bell reminds us that it's time to begin worship and that now is a time to listen to learn about Jesus.

Light a Candle:

As you do, share with the children that we light the candle to remind us that Jesus is the Light of the World.

Leader: We begin in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

(Leader makes the sign of the cross. The leader can explain that the sign of the cross reminds us of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and of Jesus' cross.) The children will likely make the sign along with the leader and that's OK.)

Children: Amen

RESPONSIVE READING

1 JOHN 1:5, 7; 2:2

Leader: God is light;

Children: in him there is no darkness at all.

Leader: If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another,

Children: and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

Leader: Jesus is the atoning sacrifice for our sins,

Children: and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

MESSAGE PRAYER

HYMN/ SONG

This Little Light of Mine

Psalm 27C Refrain only ("The Lord is my light and my salvation...")

Psalm 27D - We Are Singing

713 - I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

515 - Christ Is The World's Light

385 - Christ Begins

(You may also choose the suggested hymn in the devotion or another hymn of choice.)

BENEDICTION

The almighty and merciful Lord — the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit — bless us and keep us.

Children: Amen



HEART IMPRINTS

A worship resource for children
in the congregation, school,
or early childhood ministry