

Simplified Order of Worship for Pre-K Sundays after Pentecost – Year B – 2023-24

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: PSALM 139

(selected verses; The leader may wish to prepare the non-readers by rehearsing with them their repeated phrase.)

Leader: You have searched me, LORD,
and you know me.

**Children: I praise you because I am
fearfully and wonderfully
made!**

Leader: For you created my inmost
being; you knit me together in
my mother's womb.

**Children: I praise you because I am
fearfully and wonderfully
made!**

Leader: My frame was not hidden from
you when I was made in the
secret place.

Children: I praise you because I am

**fearfully and wonderfully
made!**

Leader: Your eyes saw my unformed
body; all the days ordained for
me were written in your book
before one of them came to be.

**Children: I praise you because I am
fearfully and wonderfully
made!**

Leader: Such knowledge is too wonderful
for me, too lofty for me to attain.

**Children: I praise you because I am
fearfully and wonderfully
made!**

MESSAGE

PRAYER

HYMN/ SONG

(See suggested hymns in the Heart Imprints devotion resources.)

BENEDICTION

Leader: And the peace of God—which
goes beyond what our minds can know—
that peace of God will guard and keep you in
Jesus! (Philippians 4:7)

All: Amen



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