Simplified Order of Worship for Pre-K Epiphany Year B - 2023-24

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

INVOCATION

Ringing 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 111

Leader: Great are the works of the LORD;

they are pondered by all who

delight in them.

Children: The LORD is gracious and

compassionate!

Leader: Glorious and majestic are

his deeds, and his righteousness

endures forever.

Children: The LORD is gracious and

compassionate!

Leader: He has caused his wonders to be

remembered:

Children: The LORD is gracious and

compassionate!

MESSAGE PRAYER

Leader: Dear Jesus, you are the Light of the world! Shine into our hearts with the truth of your Word, so that we know you and love you more! And help us to be your lights in the world with our words and actions!

Children: Amen

HYMN/ SONG (CW21/CW93)

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

BENEDICTION

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

Children: Amen

