Simplified Order of Worship for Pre-K Easter 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 lesus.

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 16

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

Leader: Keep me safe, my God, for in you

I take refuge

Children: All good things come from you,

Lord!

Leader: I have set the Lord always before

me. Because he is at my right hand. I will not be shaken.

Children: All good things come from you,

Lord!

Leader: Therefore my heart is glad and

my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure, because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, nor will you let your holy one see decay. Children: All good things come from you,

Lord!

Leader: You make known to me the

path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right

hand.

Children: All good things come from you,

Lord

MESSAGE

PRAYER

HYMN/ SONG

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

BENEDICTION

Leader: May God, who raised Jesus back

to life for you, help you to love him and serve him always! (Hebrews 13:20, 21 simplified).

Children: Amen

