

Simplified Order of Worship for Pre-K Lent 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 143

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

Leader: LORD, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy;

Children: I have put my trust in you!

Leader: Do not bring your servant into judgment, for no one living is righteous before you.

Children: I have put my trust in you!

Leader: Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love,

Children: I have put my trust in you!

Leader: Show me the way I should go, to you I entrust my life.

Children: I have put my trust in you!

MESSAGE

PRAYER

Leader: Dear Jesus, we know you never ever did the wrong thing, and you did that for us! And we know that you suffered and died on the cross also for us, so we can one day go to heaven! Thank you, Jesus, for your life and death for us!

Children: Amen

HYMN/ SONG

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

BENEDICTION

Leader: May God fill you with all joy today! He is with you always!

Children: Amen



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in the congregation, school,
or early childhood ministry