Wee Worship Late Summer 2023

A service for preschool children and their families

GATHERING SONG See box at right

OPENING PRAYER Adapted from The Shema

Presider	Let us love God with our hearts
People	and our neighbors as ourselves.
Presider	Let us love God with our minds
People	and our neighbors as ourselves.
Presider	Let us love God with our strength
People	and our neighbors as ourselves.

LOVE THE LORD

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, all your strength. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, all your strength.

With all your heart and all your soul, with all your mind and all your strength. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, all your strength.

SONG See reverse

THE LESSON OF THE DAY, FOLLOWED BY A STORY

Children are invited to move forward; parents are welcome, too. All sing alleluia, after which the lesson is read. All repeat the alleluia, and then a story relating to the lesson is told.

A CREED

We believe in God the creator; we believe in Christ the Son; we believe in the Holy Spirit. Our God is Three in One.

THE PRAYERS

We pray for the church, the world, and those people who need our prayers. After each bidding, the People sing: Loving God, hear our prayer.

THE PEACE All greet one another in the name of Jesus Christ.

THE OFFERTORY

The Holy Spirit inspires us to give generously, to extend Christ's mission in this place and the wider world. Please visit http://tinyurl.com/GivetoSCEC to make your offering, or you can text to give using your phone. Text SCEC and AMOUNT to 73256 (or use the QR code in Connections) and you will receive a text with instructions.

SONG See reverse.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Children are invited to move forward; parents are welcome, too.

- Presider God be with you.
- People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them unto God.

Presider Let us give thanks to our Sovereign God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Presider continues. When indicated, all sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

The Presider continues. At the words "And so we sing our story of faith" all sing:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again, again.

The Presider continues. When indicated, all sing the Lord's Prayer.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Silence is kept and the bread is broken.

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Everyone, regardless of age, is welcome to receive communion. Gluten-free wafers are available at the altar station. Respond to communion by saying "Amen."

POST-COMMUNION SONG: THANK YOU, GOD

SENDING SONG See box at right

DISMISSAL

PresiderGo in peace to love and serve the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

GO NOW IN PEACE

Go now in peace, go now in peace. May the love of God surround you everywhere, everywhere you may go. (x2)

SOME OF THE SONGS WE LIKE TO SING

1. THANK YOU, GOD, FOR THIS FINE DAY

- 1. Thank you, God, for this fine day. Thank you, God, for this fine day. Thank you, God, for this fine day right where we are.
- 2. Thank you, God, for songs to sing ...
- 3. Thank you, God, for loving us ...

2. SEEK YE FIRST

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia! Ask and it shall be given unto you. Seek and ye shall find. Knock and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

3. DANCE FOR JESUS

I'm gonna dance, dance, dance for Jesus, dance, dance, dance for Jesus, dance, dance, dance for Jesus, and give thanks to God. I'm gonna clap...

l'm gonna pray...

4. AMAZING GRACE!

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see. Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved.

How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

5. JESUS CAME (SING HOSANNA)

Jesus came to walk among us, teach us how to love each other, and we sing hosanna, hosanna.

- "Drink this wine, eat this bread.
 "Remember me," Jesus said.
- "Wash my feet and I'll wash yours.
 "Blessed are we," says the Lord.
- God loves me. This I know.
 And God loves you. Jesus told me so.

6. HALLELUJAH! CLAP, CLAP, CLAP!

Hallelujah! Clap, clap, clap! (x3) Clap, clap, clap for God!

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