

PRAYING *With* CHILDREN

SUNDAY LITURGY



Trinity Sunday

4 June 2023 - Year A

“God sent his Son to save the world through him.”

Something to Think About

Who are the people in your life who love you? How do they show you that they love you? God loves us so much that he sent his son, Jesus, to save the world.

The Story

In this gospel, we hear about how much God loves us. God the Father loves us so much that he sent his Son, Jesus, to save us. Jesus promises that everyone who has faith in him will live forever.

On Trinity Sunday we think about the mystery of God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Make the Sign of the Cross together before you listen to the gospel reading.

The Scriptures

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

3:16-17

Jesus told Nicodemus:

"God loved the people of this world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who has faith in him will have eternal life and never die.

God did not send his Son into the world to condemn its people. He sent him to save them!"

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Video

Click to watch the video: [God's Love For Us](#)



Group Discussion

Talk about some times that you have experienced God's love.

Maybe it was during a sad time when you felt God's comfort. Maybe it was in a time of joy when you felt God's blessings. During good times and bad times, we can remember that God loves us so much that he sent Jesus to give us eternal life.

Take a moment to sit quietly and feel God's love all around.

Praying For Others

Leader: Let us pray now for the leaders of our Church, our world, for those in our community and for our own needs.

Reader 1: We pray for those who teach us about God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 2: We pray for peace and harmony in the world. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 3: We pray that all people will know the love of God. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 4: We pray for our families and friends. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 5: We pray that we will love others, just as God loves us. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Invite the children to pray for their own special intentions.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Leader: Loving God, listen to our prayers in the name of the risen Jesus.

All: Amen.

Prayer



Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and
ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

Group Activity

God's Great Love

You will need: a large blank poster sheet with the title "God's Great Love", a heart-shaped piece of paper for each child, coloured markers, decorative elements optional (e.g. stickers, glitter).

1. Talk with the children about ways in which they experience God's great love. Maybe they experience this love through the kindness of family members, maybe when walking in the sunshine, playing with a pet, sharing with friends.
2. Children draw or write about their experience of God's love on their heart-shaper paper.
3. Affix these hearts to the large poster sheet and invite children to come and look at all the ways we experience God's love in our lives.



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THAT WE CANNOT UNDERSTAND IT...**

(BUT WE HAVE FUN SWIMMING IN IT!)

**GOD'S LOVE FOR US IS
GREATER THAN THE SEA!**

THAT MAKES ME FEEL:





