

Episcopal Church of St. Mary the Virgin
Interactive Family Worship Service
Sundays, 9:00 a.m.

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1. Ah, La, La La

1. Alalala la lala la lelulia. Alalala la lala lelulia.
Alalala la lala la lelulia. Alalala la lala la lelulia.
2. Shake a neighbor's hand, shake a hand next to you. Alalala la lala lelulia.
Shake a neighbor's hand, shake a hand next to you. Alalala la lala la lelulia.
3. Tweek a friend's cheek, tweek a cheek next to you. Alalala la lala lelulia.
Tweek a friend's cheek, tweek a cheek next to you. Alalala la lala la lelulia.
4. Jesus is a friend, is a friend unto you. Alalala la lala lelulia.
Jesus is a friend, is a friend unto you. Alalala la lala la lelulia.

(leader can make up more verses if you wish)

2. 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.
-John Newton

3. Dona Nobis Pacem

Dona nobis pacem, pacem. Dona nobis pacem. (Grant us thy peace)
-Ordinary of the Mass

4. Give Me Oil in My Lamp

1. Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning. Give me oil in my lamp, I pray.
Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning. Keep me burning till the break of day.

Chorus: Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the King, the King! (of kings!)
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the King!

2. Give me joy in my heart, keep me singing...
Chorus
 3. Give me love in my heart, keep me helping...
Chorus
- Traditional.

5. Hallelu, Hallelu

Hallelu, hallelu, hallelu hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord!

Hallelu, hallelu, hallelu hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord!

Praise ye the Lord, hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord, hallelujah!

Praise ye the Lord, hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord!

-Unknown

6. He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

1. He's got the whole world in His hands. He's got the whole world in His hands.

He's got the whole world in His hands. He's got the whole world in His hands.

2. He's got the wind and the rain in His hands. (3x) He's got the whole world in his hands.

3. He's got you and me, brother, in His hands. He's got you and me, sister, in His hands.

He's got you and me, brother, in His hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.

4. He's got the little bitty baby in His hands (3x) He's got the whole world in his hands.

5. He's got everybody here in His hands (3x) He's got the whole world in his hands.

-African American Spiritual

7. I Have the Joy, Joy Down In My Heart

1. I have the joy, joy, joy joy, down in my heart, (where?)

Down in my heart, (where?) down in my heart,

I have the joy, joy, joy joy, down in my heart,

Down in my heart to stay.

2. I have the peace that passes understanding...

3. I have the love of Jesus, love of Jesus...

4. I have the love of people, love of people...

-George Willis Cooke

8. Kum Ba Yah

1. Kum ba yah, my lord, kum ba yah! Kum ba yah, my lord, kum ba yah!
Kum ba yah, my lord, kum ba yah! Oh Lord, kum ba yah!
2. Someone's singing, Lord, kum ba yah!
3. Someone's crying, Lord, kum ba yah!
4. Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah!
5. Come by here, my Lord, come by here!
-African American Spiritual

9. Little David Play On Your Harp

Little David play on your harp, Hallelu, Hallelu,
Little David play on your harp, Hallelu. (sing 2x)

Little David was a shepherd boy, He killed Goliath and shouted for joy.

Little David play on your harp, Hallelu, Hallelu,
Little David play on your harp, Hallelu. (sing 2x)
-African American Spiritual

10. Love, Love (2-part round)

(I) Love, love, love, love: (II) Christians this is your call.
Love your neighbor as yourself, For God loves all.
-Unknown

11. Morning Has Broken

Morning has broken like the first morning, blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing! Fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
Like the first dew-fall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden
Sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
Born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!
-Eleanor Farjeon

12. My God Is So Great

My God is so great, so strong and so mighty! There's nothing my God cannot do! (clap! clap!)
My God is so great, so strong and so mighty! There's nothing my God cannot do! (clap! clap!)
The mountains are His, the rivers are His, the stars are His handiwork too,
My God is so great, so strong and so mighty! There's nothing my God cannot do! (clap! clap!)
-Ruth Harms Calkin

13. Peace Like a River

1. I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.
I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.

2. I've got love like and ocean...

3. I've got joy like a fountain...
-African American Spiritual

14. Praise Him, Praise Him

1. Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love,
Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love.

2. Love Him, love Him...

3. Thank Him, thank Him...

4. Serve Him, serve Him...
-Unknown

15. Rejoice in the Lord Always

Rejoice in the Lord always and again I say rejoice (clap! clap!)

Rejoice in the Lord always and again I say rejoice (clap! clap!)

Rejoice, rejoice, and again I say rejoice!

Rejoice in the Lord always and again I say rejoice (clap! clap!)

-Philippians 4:4

16. Rise and Shine

1. Rise and shine and give God the glory, glory.

Rise and shine and give God the glory, glory.

Rise and shine and (clap!) give God the glory, glory.

Children of the Lord.

2. The Lord said to Noah, "There's gonna be a floody, floody."

Lord said to Noah, "There's gonna be a floody, floody."

"Get your children (clap!) out of the muddy, muddy!"

Children of the Lord.

3. So Noah, he built him, he built him an arky, arky.

Noah, he built him, he built him an arky, arky.

Made it out of (clap!) hickory barky, barky.

Children of the Lord.

4. The animals, they came on, they came on by twosy, twosy.

Animals, they came on, they came on by twosy, twosy.

Elephants and (clap!) kangaroosy, roosy.

Children of the Lord.

5. It rained and rained for forty daysy, daysy.

Rained and rained for forty daysy, daysy.

Nearly drove those (clap!) animals crazy, crazy.

Children of the Lord.

6. Noah, he sent out, he sent out a dovey, dovey.

Noah, he sent out, he sent out a dovey, dovey.

Sent him to the (clap!) heavens abovey, abovey, Children of the Lord.

7. The sun came out and dried off the landy, landy.

The sun came out and dried off the landy, landy.

Everything was (clap!) fine and dandy, dandy.

Children of the Lord.

8. Now this is the end, the end of my story, story.
This is the end, the end of my story, story.
Everything is (clap!) hunky-dory, dory.
Children of the Lord.

17. Rock-A-My Soul

1. Rock-a-my soul in the bosom of Abraham, rock-a-my soul in the bosom of Abraham,
Rock-a-my soul in the bosom of Abraham, Oh, rock-a-my soul.
2. So high you can't get over it, so low you can't go under it,
So wide you can't go'round it you must go in at the door. Oh, yeah! Now
3. Rock, rock, rock my soul. Rock, rock, rock my soul.
Rock, rock, rock my soul. Oh, rock-a-my soul.

18. Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God

1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia.
2. Ask and it shall be given unto you; Seek and you shall find;
Knock and it shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia.

19. Shalom, my friends (Shalom Chaverim)

Shalom, my friends, Shalom, my friends, shalom, shalom. x2

20. Swing Low Sweet Chariot

Refrain: Swing low, sweet chariot, comin' for to carry me home;
Swing low, sweet chariot, comin' for to carry me home.

1. I looked over Jordan and what did I see, comin' for to carry me home?
A band of angels comin' after me, comin for to carry me home.
Refrain
2. If you get there before I do, comin' for to carry me home;
Tell all my friends I'm comin' too, comin' for to carry me home.
Refrain
3. I'm sometimes up and sometimes down, comin' for to carry me home;
But still my soul is glory bound, comin' for to carry me home.
Refrain

21. The Lord Is Good to Me (Johnny Appleseed Song)

The Lord is good to me, and so I thank the Lord,
For giving me the things I need, the sun and the rain and the apple seed,
The Lord is good to me.

22. This Little Light of Mine

1. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
2. Hide it under a bucket? No!...
3. Don't let the world blow it out,
4. Everywhere I go...
5. All through the night...
6. All the people that I meet, I'm gonna help them shine...
7. This little light of mine... (with descant)

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