

SAINT ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
WORSHIP FOR CHILDREN
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021



The Celebrant greets everyone in the name of the Lord.

Opening Prayer

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

Opening Hymn

God is so good - LEVAS 214

God is so good, God is so good, God is so good, God's so good to me.

God cares for me, God cares for me, God cares for me, God's so good to me.

God's all I need, God's all I need, God's all I need, God's so good to me.

A Reading from The Gospel According to Matthew

18:12-14

Jesus said, "What do you think? If a shepherd has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. So it is not the will of your Father in heaven that one of these little ones should be lost."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon

Magnetic Love

Fr. Russ

The Prayers of the People

Reader Let us pray to God with our whole heart and mind and soul (*Silence*). For the Church throughout the world; for Kevin our Bishop, for Russ and Celeste our Priests, and for faithful Christians everywhere, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Reader For peace and justice throughout the world; for our leaders and for the leaders of all the nations, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Reader For the good earth that God has given us and for wisdom to take care of it, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Reader For everyone who is sick and suffering, especially those we now name to God (*silence*), let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Reader For everyone who has died, especially for those we now name to God (*silence*), let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Reader For all of the blessings that God has given us, especially for those we now name to God (*silence*), let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

The Celebrant invites everyone to say the Lord's Prayer together.

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.

Closing Hymn

He's got the whole world in His hands - LEVAS 217

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 you and me sister in His hands, (repeat)
3. He's got you and me brother in His hands, (repeat)
4. He's got everybody here in His hands, (repeat)

December Birthdays

Said altogether

O God, please bless everyone who has a birthday this month; and during the whole year, please give them your love and grace so that they may grow to know you, love you, and follow you; we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing & Dismissal

The Celebrant blesses everyone and then says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

