

Light a candle

Sign of the cross

In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Sing

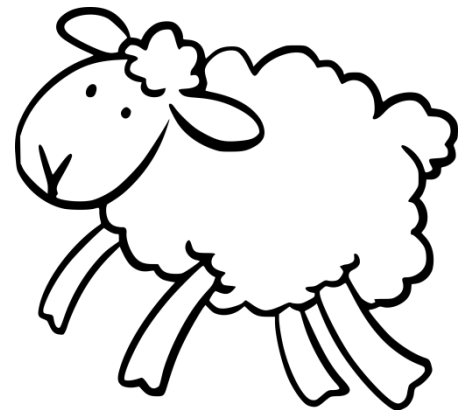
“Abide with Me” - https://youtu.be/i5nbq_VEea0

“The Lord’s My Shepherd” – Stuart Townend <https://youtu.be/pN4tPkX0MG0>

“Every Praise” – Hezekiah Walker <https://youtu.be/UuuZMg6NVeA>

“10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)” – Matt Redman

https://youtu.be/DXDGE_IRI0E



God’s Word

Read: Hebrews 3:1-6 “The Son was Faithful” and 7-15 “Be Faithful.”

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Reflection

Jesus Christ is faithful to his Father and our Father in heaven. Jesus was called by God to be the Apostle and the High Priest to the people of the world as a humble human being. As an Apostle, Jesus’ mission was to be the good news, the Word of God, the Saviour of the whole world. As a High Priest, Jesus was the sacrificial lamb of God who gave up his life for all people. We know that Jesus our High Priest is the resurrection and the life. He continues to be our High Priest in our lives today. Jesus forgives us, blesses us and loves us. In response to the compassionate love of Jesus our High Priest we can serve God and others by being faithful to God, to God’s commandments and God’s law of love. It is God who gives us the faith to be faithful to him and to be faithful in service to other people.

Activity (optional)

How do we get **faith**? St Paul says in Romans 10:17 (NIV)...

“Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.”

Spend some time reading God’s word about Christ and writing out your favourite verses. The apostle John wrote to strengthen the faith of others. You could read the gospel of John or the first two letters of John.

Music

Sing/Listen to music. Ideas:

“Amazing Grace” - <https://youtu.be/NG0vH4WYChQ>

“How Great Thou Art” – Carrie Underwood <https://youtu.be/xyLWjawgzlw>

“Kum ba yah” – Bethany Family, Tanzania <https://youtu.be/x5cKl-1bjUg>

“The Lord’s Prayer” – Andrea Bocelli <https://youtu.be/aEplqV0scyo>

Bible verses

Psalm 20

Catechism

The Sixth Commandment – Do not be unfaithful in marriage.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, you have taught us to be faithful to God above all things. We confess that we have not always trusted in God. We have not always looked first to God for what we need in life. We are sorry Lord Jesus, and we ask you to forgive us and to bless us with faith. Thank you for giving us the word of God, the Bible, and for those who teach us about you. Help us to be faithful to God and to be faithful to the people you have given us to love and serve. Help us to be faithful to the people we love. Help us to be faithful friends and workers. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Blessing

May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep our hearts and minds safe in Christ Jesus. Amen.

