

Song

Me and My teddy bear

Hymn

Magic Penny

Love is something if you give it away, give it away, give it away
Love is something if you give it away, you end up having more
Love is like a magic penny, hold it tight & you won't have any
Lend it, spend it & you'll have so many, they'll roll all over the floor, for
Love is something if you give it away, give it away, give it away
Love is something if you give it away, you end up having more

And laughter is something if you give it away, give it away, give it away
Love is something if you give it away, you end up having more
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Prayers

Hymn

You shall go out with joy 796 Mission Praise

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace
and the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you.
There'll be shouts of joy and the trees of the field shall clap,
shall clap their hands.
And the trees of the field shall clap their hands,
the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
And the trees of the field shall clap their hands,
and you'll go out with joy.

Final Prayer

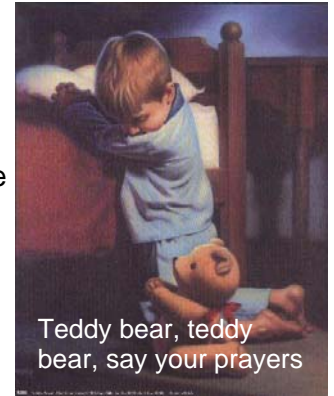
Heavenly Father, you love us more than we can understand.
Help us to love you and each other better. Amen

Blessing

The Teddy Bear Service

Introduction

Jesus told his followers to learn from children: their simplicity and innocence, their ability to love with a pure mind and heart. Today our service is an exploration of the nature of love. We will talk about love, the love that people have for one another and above all, the love that God feels for us. We will consider this most deep and yet most simple concept so that everyone here can understand and all may learn.



Teddy bear, teddy bear, say your prayers

Hymn Love Divine (449 Mission Praise)

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy grace receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above;
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation:
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation,
perfectly restored in thee;
Changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Confession

Leader. We know how we should live and we know the things we should do. But many times we are too angry or selfish or lazy. So, in this part of the service we take time to say sorry to God for the things we do that are wrong or the things that we should have done.

All **We are sorry and promise to try harder.**

Leader. God always wants us to feel forgiven and to try again. Feel and know that your sins and mistakes are forgiven and that you are deeply loved by your God.

Leader. In this part of the service, we take time to say thank you to God. We thank you for the beautiful world that You have made.

All **Thank you, God**

Leader: We thank you God for the people you have given us to love and to love us.

All **Thank you, God.**

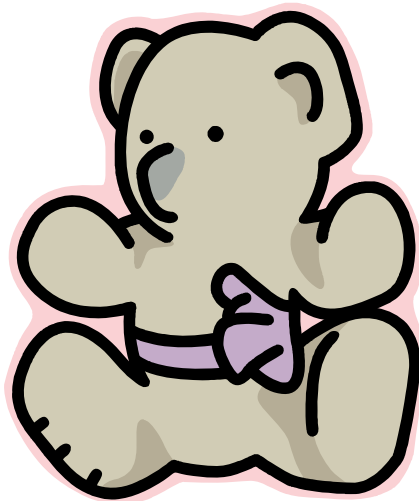
Leader: We thank you God for the things that make us happy and safe.

All **Thank you, God**

Offering

In this part of the service we give money to help the church. We know we are lucky to have something to give and we want to share what we have.

All
Thank you for all the things we have, help us to share them.



Hymn

Go tell it on the mountain (179 Mission Praise)

Go tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere
Go tell it on the mountain,
that Jesus is His name

He possessed no riches,
no home to lay His head.
He fasted in the desert,
he gave to others bread.

He reached out and touched them, the blind the deaf the lame.
He spoke and listened gladly to anyone who came.

Some turned away in anger, with hatred in the eye.
They tried Him and condemned Him, then led Him out to die.

'Father now forgive them', up on the cross he said.
In three more days He was alive and risen from the dead.

He still comes to people, his life moves through the lands
He uses us for speaking, he touches with our hands.

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