



## Greeting

*Leader:* God is with you!

*People:* **God is also with you!**

## Opening Prayer

**Loving God, you bring light to the world. In Jesus, you give us light that stays bright even in the darkness. Be with us this night. Help us fill your world with light and love and laughter. Amen.**

## Gospel Story & Reflection

### Affirmation (say together)

**We believe in God, who loves us and wants us to love each other. This is our God. We believe in Jesus, who cared for children and held them in his arms. He wanted a world where everyone could live together in peace. This is Jesus Christ. We believe in the Holy Spirit, who keeps working with us until everything is good and true. This is the Holy Spirit. We can be the church, which reminds people of God because we love each other. This we believe. Amen.**

## We Pray the Prayers of the People

*Leader:* It's time to pray to God. Are there any special things that we are grateful for tonight?  
(Pause)

*Leader:* We say, "Thank you so much, Lord."

*People:* **Thank you so much, Lord.**

*Leader:* Sometimes we know people who are sick or we are worried about something in our lives. Are there any concerns or worries we want to say out loud to God? (Pause)

*Leader:* We say, "Help us always, Lord."

*People:* **Help us always, Lord.**

*Leader:* Sometimes we say things or do things that are wrong or hurt other people. Is there anything you want to say sorry to God about? Can we say to God, "Please forgive us and help us to do better?"

*Leader:* God loves you and forgives you and promises to give you a fresh start. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*Leader:* The Peace of the Lord be always with you!

*People:* **And also with you.**

## Messy Grace

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ (*hold out your hands as if expecting a present*)

And the love of God (*put your hands on your heart*)

And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit (*hold hands*)

Be with us all now and forever. **Amen!** (*Raise hands together on the word 'Amen*)