

SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR: Lent 4A

Please refer to Guidelines for Children's Addresses in Worship document produced by the LCA Department of Liturgics and Grow Ministries - download guidelines [here](#).

MAIN POINT

Jesus is the light of the world

SCRIPTURE FOCUS

While I am in the world, I am the light of the world. (John 9:5)

AIDS

Christ candle or usual altar candles, **extra candles for each child to have one

ADDRESS

Has anyone ever been in a very dark place? How did you feel? What did you do?

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world". In what ways is he like a light in your life?

Talk about the candles on the altar (and the Christ candle if you have one) and why we light them every week during worship. The candles have multiple different meanings - some are that we are represented on the altar as lights to the world; candles can represent churches being a light, flames are representative of both the Holy Spirit and the Trinity.

***If you would like to invite an adult to come up and help their child it would be excellent to give each child a smaller candle and have them light their candle from the Christ candle (or the altar candles) and as each one lights their candle the adult blesses them by saying the following words:*

"Jesus is the light of the world. (Name), you are a child of the light. Let your light shine before others."

PRAYER

Lord Jesus, may we worship you today through all we do and say, and let our light shine. Amen.

You may wish to hand out *Growing Faith at Home* or another resource before the children return to their seats.



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