

Learning with JMA

Offertory

Offertory Prayer

**Lord,
We offer our money and all that we are
To make a difference in your world.**

Song

Blessing

**Deep peace of the running wave to you,
Deep peace of the flowing air to you,
Deep peace of the quiet air to you,
Deep peace of the shining stars to you,
Deep peace of the Son of peace to you.**

Song



This year JMA members have again raised well over half a million pounds for projects all over the world. We have helped children in a home for AIDS orphans in South Africa, given money to help teach children to read in Nepal and assisted those working on a recycling programme in Brazil. These people and many, many more are thankful for the financial support you give through JMA and just as thankful for your interest and your prayers.

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Members of JMA promise to 'learn, pray and serve with the worldwide church of Jesus Christ.' During this service we will be giving awards to those collectors who have **served** by raising money this year and we will **pray** for all those children and adults who will be helped by what that money can do. Jesus was always helping his disciples to learn, usually with stories or by doing things together and we will also be **learning** today.

Welcome

Symbols are brought to the front representing the three aspects of our JMA promise: to learn, pray and serve.

Opening responses

Leader: O God, you summon the day to dawn,
You teach the morning to waken the earth.

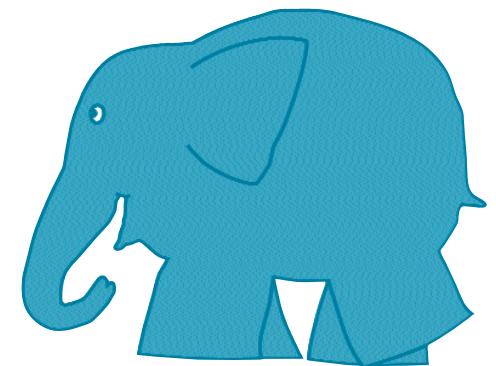
**ALL: Great is your name.
Great is your love.**

Leader: For you the valleys shall sing for joy,
The trees of the field shall
clap their hands.

**ALL: Great is your name.
Great is your love.**

Leader: For you the monarchs of
the earth shall bow,
The poor and persecuted
shall shout for joy.

**ALL: Great is your name.
Great is your love.**



Leader: Your love and mercy shall last forever,
Fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.

**ALL: Great is your name.
Great is your love.**

Song

Prayer for today

**Loving Creator,
Like the elephant, you never forget,
You remember us all, every one;
Your love is for all your children,
Your justice is for all of creation.
Help us to keep on learning about you,
To keep praying for all your creation,
To keep serving all your children and so to serve you.**

Confession and Forgiveness

Leader: If we say that we're all right

All: We are blind and will not see.

Leader: If we say our world's all right

All: We are deaf and will not hear.

Leader: But if we say sorry and try to do better,

All: God will forgive us.

Leader: We see our world is being spoilt,

All: God forgive us.

Leader: We hear the children who are hungry or ill,

All: God forgive us.

Leader: We know we can do better,

All: God forgive us.

Leader: May God forgive us,
Christ befriend us
And the Spirit renew and change our lives.

All: Amen.

Learn

Bible Reading

1 Corinthians 12: 12-20 'All one body'

A story about being wise

Song

Serve

Presentation of JMA awards

Bible Reading:

Matthew 5:13-16 'Being light and salt'

An Elmer story about being your true self

Pray

Prayers