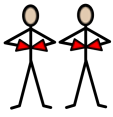




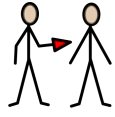
MORNING PRAYER



We



praise

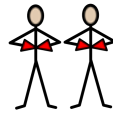


You,



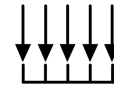
Lord,

because



we

are



ALL



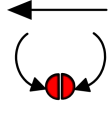
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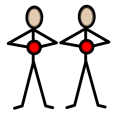
wonderfully



made.



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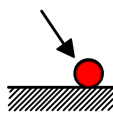


our

Father's



house



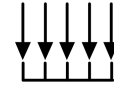
there

is



room

for



all,



there

are



no



rejects.



There

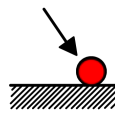
are



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able-bodied



there

are



no



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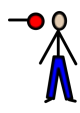


there

are



only



His

beloved

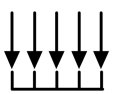


children



who

are



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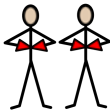



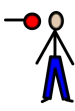

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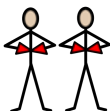




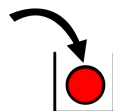


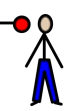



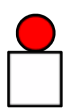
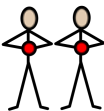

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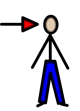
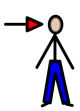

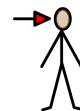


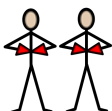

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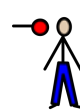



 We  are  beautiful  in  His  eyes.

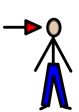




 We  believe  Jesus  himself  ascended  into  heaven,  carrying  his


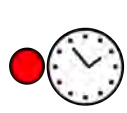
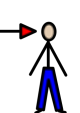

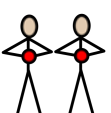

 wounds  on  our  behalf.




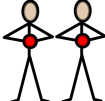

 Jesus  does not  hide  these  wounds:  they  carry  no  shame






 for him  but  he  shows  them  to  us  willingly






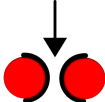
 as  proof  of  his  eternal  love.








 He  calls  us  this morning  to  do  the  same,




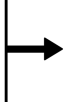




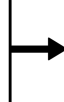

 to stand  before  him  in  our  brokenness


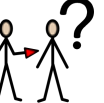

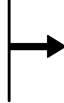




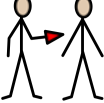
    
trusting in him for our care.

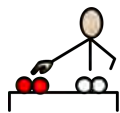




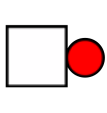
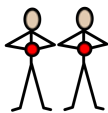

    
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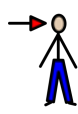


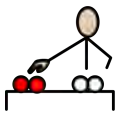



     
and I know my Lord is near

      
and He calls me by name saying




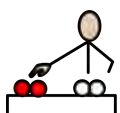
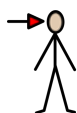

         
“why are you hiding from me, why are you hiding from me,




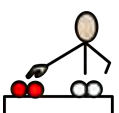
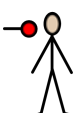

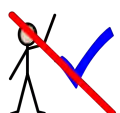

        
why do you hide from Me when I love you so”?


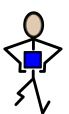
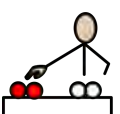
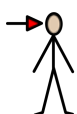

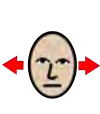

       
Those who cannot see he walks alongside as our guide.




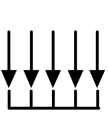


      
He whispers softly to those who cannot hear.




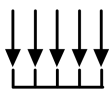
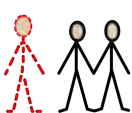
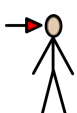


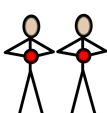

    
He soothes those whose minds are troubled.

     
He rides with those who cannot walk.




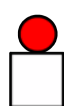
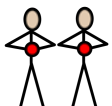


       
He sees the pain of those whose pain cannot be seen




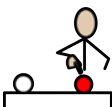


      
and brings insight to those who appear not to understand.

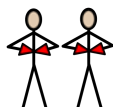


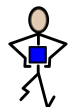
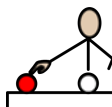

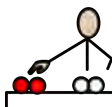
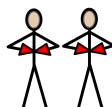
     
He is at the heart of every lonely room


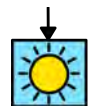
         
and is present in every stranger who sits at our hearth.





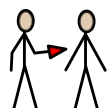




    
His love is new every morning.

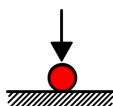

      
His love does not depend on our fragile form.



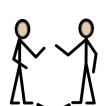



     
His love is enough for this coming day.


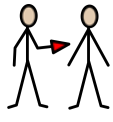

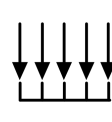

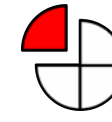
       
We accept the calling to bring that love to those we

 
meet today:

        
Lord when I hear you calling help me to say







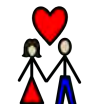

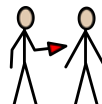
 
here I am.





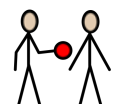

     
Only You can meet the longing of my heart.

 Only  You  know  every  hidden  part.




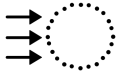
 Show me  the  gifts  I  have


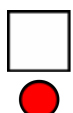


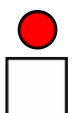

 Show me  the  gift  I  am




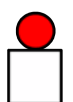
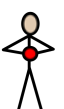


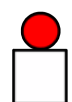


 Let  my  whole  life  be  lived  in love  of  You




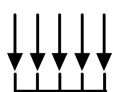


 Bringing  great  joy  to  Your  Heart.


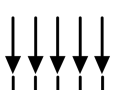



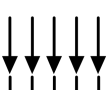


     
Christ, be a light before and above me.





   
Christ, as a shield my protection be:


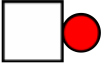







     
Christ under me, Christ over me.

         
Christ, be beside me, on my left and on my right.

     
Christ, be within and all around me,

       
with all I meet and every thought of me:

   
Christ as a light, Christ as a shield,

        
Christ beside me on my left and my right.


→ AMEN.