

**Sunday, February 20, 2022**  
**Creativity: Psalm 145 – Call and Response**

**GOD GATHERS US FOR WORSHIP**

**Welcome and Call to Worship**

One: Praise the Lord in the heavens. Praise the Lord on the earth. Praise the Lord under the earth.

All: Thanks be to God for the marvels of creation.

One: Praise the Lord for the words that speak re-creation. Praise the Lord for the lessons of history.

Praise the Lord for the stories of culture.

All: Thanks be to God for the Word made flesh.

One: Praise the Lord for inspiring poetic imagination. Praise the Lord for the mysteries of scientific

analysis. Praise the Lord for bodies and minds set apart for your holy purposes.

All: Thanks be to God for the breath of the Spirit.

One: Worship the Lord as members of the Fellowship community. Worship the Lord in private and

public spaces. Worship the Lord in ethics of work and play. Let all who breathe, honour the

Living Lord!

All: Thanks be to God forever and ever. Amen!

**Songs:**

**O Worship the King (LUYH 2)**

O worship the King all glorious above, O gratefully sing his power and his love:  
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to fail.  
Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless Might, unchangeable Love, whom angels delight to worship above!  
Your ransomed creation, with glory ablaze, in true adoration shall sing to your praise.

**We Will Extol You, God and King (LUYH 562)**

We will extol you, God and King, and bless your holy name.  
Day after day we'll sing your praise, forever and forever.

One generation will call to the next: "Our God is good, and his hand is strong!"  
All of the world sings his marvelous acts, and our voice will join with theirs in the song.

Great is the Lord! In all his ways he's greatly to be praised.  
Were we to search for endless days, his greatness none could fathom.

We contemplate the splendour of the world your hand has made.  
Far greater still the majesty we see in the Creator!

Now may your name be sung in every tongue, in every place.  
Singing the fame of your great love in every generation.

One generation will call to the next: "Our God is good, and his hand is strong!"  
All of the world sings his marvelous acts, and our voice will join with theirs in the song.

As we have worshiped God for the gift of all he has created, we know we actually join in worship with an uncountable multitude in heaven who worship God for the joy of who He is. Rev. 7:9-12 says, "After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

**Song:**

**You are Holy (LUYH 598)**

You are holy, You are mighty. You are worthy, worthy of praise.  
I will follow. I will listen. I will love you all of my days.

You are Lord of lords, you are King of kings,  
you are mighty God, Lord of everything.  
You're Emmanuel, you're the great I AM,  
you're the Prince of Peace who is the Lamb.  
You're the living God; you're my saving grace.  
You will reign forever, you are Ancient of Days.  
You are Alpha, Omega, beginning and end.  
You're my Savior, Messiah, Redeemer, and Friend.  
You're my Prince of Peace, and I will live my life for you.  
(Repeat song)

**Prayer:** Please be seated and let's pray together confident God will hear and answer.

We praise and thank You that You are our God who is worthy of our continuous praise and worship. You alone are worthy of honour and Your greatness is unsearchable. God, we admit that we often focus our attention on things that are less than worthy. Would you captivate our heart with who you are time and time again? Help us meditate on you, Lord, to pause, slow down, and think deeply about who you are. Fill our mind with thoughts of you. We admit that we can be distracted, get too busy, forget you and think it is better to rely on ourselves than you to answer our prayers. Loving God, we really need the grace of a new beginning and the joy of an enlarged love for you. Give us a passion for all your loving ways. Through Christ Jesus our Brother and Redeemer. Amen.

Friends, Scripture says: "The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The Lord is good to all and his mercy is over all his works." Yes, the Good News is that the love of God is beyond measure, and we are included in that love. God forgives and set us free to love and serve. Yes and Amen.

**Scripture:** Psalm 145

**Message:** Call and Response

**Song:**

**God We Sing Your Glorious Praises (LUYH 519)**

God, we sing your glorious praises as we tell your awesome deeds;  
you have fashioned all creation, and you meet each creature's needs.

We rejoice in how your people tasted your great faithfulness;  
graced through every generation, we your mighty acts profess.

We remember, God, your covenant, which extends from heaven to earth;  
how Christ's death and resurrection conquers sin, renews our birth.

Thank you for this gospel message, which inspires your church to preach  
grace to every generation in our deeds and in our speech.

Fueled by power from your Spirit, we commit ourselves anew  
to be faithful to your gospel in the daily work we do.  
We will shout your glorious praises, telling all who have not heard;  
grace for every generation is embodied in your Word.

Lord, we offer you our worship as we celebrate your grace  
which you shower on your people gathered here and everywhere.  
Blessed by water, Word, and table, we, your church, now pledge to share  
grace through every generation in our witness, work, and prayer.

**GOD SENDS US OUT TO SERVE AND CREATE**

**Prayers of the People and Offering**

**Benediction**

**Song:**

**We Receive Your Blessing (LUYH 947)**

We receive your blessing; we receive your grace,  
as we walk in the light shining from your face.  
May the peace that you give change the way that we live.  
We receive your blessing as we leave this place.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise him, all creatures here below.  
Praise him above, you heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son, and praise the Holy Ghost.

Ending: We receive your blessing as we leave this place.