

Digital Gathering Worship Guide

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We're in our third week studying "Defiant Joy" in Philippians. We recommend downloading all videos and assigning roles before your gathering so things flow and people stay engaged throughout. The videos will prompt you to press pause and read or pray accordingly. These moments are noted below and have been pre-assigned to four leaders, but you may distribute these roles however you like.¹

Order of Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP (LEADER A)

Welcome everyone, being sure to introduce guests. Then open with a short prayer.

Let the group know there is a [weekly video resource for kids and preteens](#). If they have capability, parents can put that on for the kids while parents participate in the digital gathering.

[If you are using the worship video, start it here.](#)

ADORATION

Sing together: "Way Maker"

CONFESSION (LEADER B)

Sing together: "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

Pause the video on the slide that says "Prayers of trust," then conduct a few minutes of prayer. Pray that the Lord would give us trust for him in specific areas. This can be one leader as indicated or an open time of short prayers praising God for who he is.

After your time of prayer, start the video again.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Sing together: "Highs and Lows"

The worship video will end here.

¹ For more helpful tips, check out the [Digital Worship Gathering Best Practices](#) resource.

PRAYER (LEADER C)

Ask God to open our hearts to the preaching of the word.

PREACHING OF THE WORD

[Play the sermon video.](#)

COMMUNION (LEADER D)

Read *1 Corinthians 11:23-29*, then say “We will take a moment of reflection. If anyone among us is aware of having wronged someone but has not sought to make peace, confess to God and resolve to seek peace. If any among us has not yet trusted in Christ, use this moment to consider what is compelling about Jesus, but refrain from taking the bread and the cup until you are ready to follow him with your life.”

After a moment of reflection (about the time it takes to draw four breaths), invite people to take a piece of bread and say to the group, “This is the body of Christ, broken for you.” Then eat.

Invite everyone to hold their cups and say, “This is his blood, poured out for your sins.” Then drink.

Lastly, remind everyone “As certainly as you have taken this bread and this cup, remember that Jesus died and rose again. As he lives, we have life through him.”

BENEDICTION (LEADER C)

Read *Ephesians 3:20-21*:

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

After the benediction, invite everyone to stay on the video call for prayer or meet up with prayer groups for specific requests.