



Digital Gathering Worship Guide

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This is our fourth 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 first video will prompt you at one point to press pause and pray in a certain way. The leadership roles have been pre-assigned to four leaders, but you may distribute them however you'd like.¹

Doing similar things every week can start to feel mechanical or rote, but liturgies are intentional communal practices that shape our hearts over time, forming us both individually and as a community.

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: “Your Love Is Strong”

CONFESSION (LEADER B)

Sing together: “The Solid Rock”

Pause the video on the slide that says “Prayers of Thanksgiving” for a few minutes of prayer. This can be one leader as indicated, or an open time of short prayers thanking God for all he has done. After your time of prayer, start the video again.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Sing together: “Another In The Fire”

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 this benediction from *1 Thessalonians 5:23-24* and *Revelation 1:6*:

Now may the God of peace sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

To him be glory and dominion 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.