

The God of Gifts  
1 Corinthians 12:1-11  
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## **Order of Worship**

Preparing our Hearts: If you arrive a little early, prepare your heart for worship by reading and thinking about this text:

- *Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace. (1 Pet. 4:8-10 ESV)*

Call to Worship:

- God calls us to worship
  - Psalm 113:1-3
- We humbly respond with praise
  - “God Of Wonders”
  - “Revelation Song”

Gospel Assurance:

- Our need for Jesus
  - Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; **but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.**  
He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither.  
**In all that he does, he prospers. (Ps. 1:1-3)**
- God's grace
  - “How He Loves”
  - “In Christ Alone”

What we Believe: As a church we want to affirm our unity in what we believe.

- *We believe in the personal, bodily return of our Lord Jesus Christ. The coming of Christ, at a time known only to God, demands constant expectancy and, as our blessed hope, motivates the believer to godly living, sacrificial service and energetic mission. Amen. (EFCA Statement of Faith)*

Prayer: We bring our requests to the Lord through Jesus Christ.

Church Life/Greeting: In Christ, we live and fellowship together as believers. We take time to learn what is going on in our church, and to greet one another as we worship.

Prayer for Understanding: We pray that God will open our hearts and minds to the preaching of His Word.

Sermon:

- 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Lord's Supper: In taking communion together, we remember the death of Christ as we proclaim it to one another as we consume the elements.

- "All Who Are Thirsty"

Praise to God (Doxology): We end our time of worship together as we resound in praises together.

- "The Stand"

God Blesses: We go into the world this week with God's blessings as He enables us to serve Him.

- Eph. 3:17-19

## **Growth Group Questions**

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1. What are spiritual gifts?
2. Why are we sometimes hesitant to use the gifts God has given us?
3. In ways do we sometimes fail to appreciate the large variety of spiritual gifts? How can we grow in this regard?
4. In what ways do we forget that our gifts are for the common good?
5. Why is it so important to remember the ultimate source of our spiritual gifts?

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**Next Week:** 1 Corinthians 12:12-31