

Body Image
1 Corinthians 12:12-31
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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:

- *For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.* (Rom. 12:4-5 ESV)

Call to Worship:

- God calls us to worship
 - Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! Let Israel say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."
Let the house of Aaron say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."
Let those who fear the LORD say,
"His steadfast love endures forever." (Ps.118.1-4)
- We humbly respond with praise
 - "Forever"

Gospel Assurance:

- Our need for Jesus
 - "All I Have Is Christ"
- God's grace
 - Phil. 2:8-11
 - "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

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

- *We believe that God commands everyone everywhere to believe the gospel by turning to Him in repentance and receiving the Lord Jesus Christ. We believe that God will raise the dead bodily and judge the world, assigning the unbeliever to condemnation and eternal conscious punishment and the believer to eternal blessedness and joy with the Lord in the new heaven and the new earth, to the praise of His glorious grace. 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 12:12-31

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.

- "Forever (The Nails in Your Hands)"

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

- "By Our Love"

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

- Phil. 4:7

Growth Group Questions

1. How do you struggle with envying the gifts of others in the church?
2. How do you struggle with being prideful about your own gifts in the church?
3. How does Paul's analogy of the human body help to correct our thinking about the church?
4. How does God's sovereignty in assigning gifts help us fight against both our envy and our pride?

Next Week: 1 Corinthians 13